

ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 7 - 19th October 2022



Dear Parents & Carers,

Up & Out Week

This week is Up & Out week. Over the next 5 days we have a range of people from lots of different jobs coming to speak to the children and explain more about what they do and the skills they need to do it.

The idea is to help children look 'Up & Out' of their own lived experiences, develop their aspirations of what they would like to do in the future and the importance of education to help them achieve it. We will share with you some of our experiences in a special newsletter after half term.



Parent's Evening

Parents evening is tomorrow (**Thursday 14th October 2022**). If you have not yet booked an appointment please do so using ParentMail (years 1 to 6). Nursery parents please speak to your child's key worker. All appointments are face to face.

There will also be the opportunity to sample school dinners, purchase CGP workbooks (cash or ParentMail only please), get assistance with any of our online platforms, learn more about keeping your child safe online and even try Mandarin!

Access to your child's class before 3.30pm will be via the school playground. After 3.30pm please use the main reception entrance. We look forward to seeing you

Schools from the Netherlands

As part of our International Schools work we were delighted to host 5 leaders from schools in the Netherlands last week. They visited to look at how we promote inclusion and support children to achieve their full potential. They spoke to a number of our staff and children and had a tour of the school with some of our Year 6 Ambassadors. They left the following message in our comments book -

"Thanks for your hospitality! Your children shine, and must make you so proud."

Well done everyone and thank you for making our visitors feel so welcome.

Reminder: It is half term next week (24th – 30th October)

Wishing you all a wonderful break. Take care and stay safe
Sue Ferguson

General Information

Governors Update -Curriculum & Standards Committee

The curriculum and standards committee met last week. Governors were very impressed at the presentation on British values and how this continues to support the work of the equity and diversity team. We reviewed and approved policies in-line with new guidance. A copy of the updated safeguarding policy is attached to this newsletter.



We also considered the school development plan for the year ahead and how we ensure all pupils are effectively supported to achieve in all areas. Governors would like to thank all staff, pupils, parents and carers for their continued hard work and support.

Laura Stagg, Chair of Curriculum & standards Committee

Year 6 Parents - Applying for Secondary School

Please remember that your child's secondary school application form must be submitted by <u>31st October.</u> If you need any help with doing this please speak to the main office by calling **020 7511 9414.**



Updated Dates for your diary

Friday 21st October - Applying for a Reception place 2023

24th - 30th October - Half term

31st October - First day of term

3rd November - Year 6 SATS Parents Meeting (Virtual) 2.15pm & 4.30pm (More details to follow)

3rd November - Year 5 Stingray Sharing Assembly

10th November - Year 5 Dolphin Sharing Assembly

14th - 18th November - Anti-Bullying Week

17th November - Parents meeting – online safety (Virtual, more details to follow)

17th November - Year 6 Whale Sharing Assembly

24th November - Year 4 Parent Meeting – Multiplication Screening (Virtual, more details to follow)

24th November - Meet the governors and find out more about the school –Drop in session

24th November - Year 6 Shark Sharing Assembly

Applying for a Reception Place for September 2023

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 30th August 2019 then they are due to start school in September 2023. We will be holding a zoom meeting with Mrs Laskar to guide you on the process. This will be on Friday 21st October at 9.00am and again at 4.00pm. The link for this will be sent to you next week.



School Fluoride Varnish programme

On **Tuesday 8th November** the dentist will be coming to visit children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and offer the Fluoride

Varnish programme. If your child is in these year groups please use this link to give permission or opt out of the programme and for more information:

https://www.kentcht.nhs.uk/forms/dental-scho ol-fluoride-varnish-programme-form/

Please note that as the school is unable to opt out on your behalf

<u>FLU immunisation</u> <u>programme</u>

On Thursday 10th November the NHS will be administering the FLU Nasal Spray/Injection for children in Reception up to Year 6.



Please complete this form even if you do not wish your child to receive the vaccination or if they have received it elsewhere.

https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2022/n ewham

Please note that as the school is unable to opt out on your behalf

Our Learning



Year 2 Audley End Trip

On Thursday 13th October, Year 2 visited Audley End House as part of their Big Question exploration of what was life like for children throughout the ages in history. We had a fantastic time finding out what life was like for children in the



Victorian era. We took on the role of servants and found out what roles men and women had. The boys had to polish shoes and lay the table while the girls had to scrub the floors and dust the room. We then went onto explore the kitchens, laundry rooms and dairy rooms. We found it very difficult when we were tasked with folding the laundry and were shocked to find out that the Victorians had to



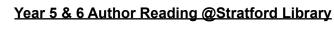






wash all their clothes by hand and cook using a fire they had to light

themselves. After our workshop, we explored the stables and the main house. We saw a horse in the stables which was very exciting and the main house was extremely large! Many of us said we would love to live in a house this big! We had a brilliant time finding out lots of extra information about the life of children in the Victorian times and this will certainly help us in our classwork.





On Friday 14th October, children from Year 5 and 6 were invited to attend an author reading at Stratford Library. We were very excited to meet the author, Janelle McCurdy, who has written a fantastic fantasy book called, Mia and the Lightcasters. She introduced her book to us and explained how she created the book based on her experiences of gaming. We had



the chance to participate in the event and drew our own fantasy characters. Some of us even got to go to the front and show the audience our creations. Janelle McCurdy then signed copies



of her book for us so each Year 5 and 6 class will have a chance to read her book. We were also very lucky to get a group photo with her too. We had a great time finding out how she created her storylines and were inspired by her work to create our own stories.





Year 6 FairPlay House

On Monday 10th October our Year 6 student went on a 5 day residential trip to Fairplay House in Wickham Bishops.

For the most part the weather was kind to them and they managed to experience lots of activities such as; archery, zip wire, forest games, high ropes, canoeing, bush craft, crabbing, a talent show and movie nights. They even did some 'extreme reading' in the most unusual of places!



















Thank you to all our school adults who looked after the children, the instructors for teaching the children so much and to our families for letting them go! Special Memories were made by all!











Learning Tips

E- Safety

FIFA 23, like its many predecessors, is a massively popular football simulator featuring lifelike recreations of thousands of real-world players, drawn from teams around the globe. While the gameplay is subtly improved year on year, the publisher EA's focus remains firmly on FIFA Ultimate Team – a mode in the game



that can tempt players of all ages to spend actual money on recruiting better players for their side.

With each new release of FIFA comes a host of new players to unlock – meaning that youngsters can feel pressured to keep buying to compete with their friends.

https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/fifa-23

Reading



Build reading into your child's daily routine

Find a regular time for reading in your child's day, so that they can begin to expect it as part of their routine.

This can be any time of day.

Some children enjoy reading before bed, but others can just be too exhausted at night.

It might be better for some children to read just after dinner, or in the morning after breakfast, when they have more energy.

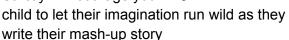
You can encourage your child to track their reading using a weekly reading chart. This will help them celebrate their progress.

Writing

'Mash-up' story

Making a mash-up story that mixes together characters from different books, films and TV shows can be a lot of fun. Get your child to choose a favourite character from a book and create a story that puts them into their favourite

TV show or videogame. How would Sherlock Holmes solve a Minecraft mystery? What would happen if Mr Gum entered Strictly? Encourage your



Well-being



Maintaining good mental health is just as important as having a healthy body. It affects the way children think, feel and act. As a parent, you play an important role in promoting your child's mental health and recognising when there may be early signs of difficulties.

Tip 3 - Praise your child when they do well.

Recognise their efforts as well as achievements- praise the small steps. For example, say your child has difficulty sitting quietly and calmly at the dinner table. Although desired, it would be unrealistic to initially expect them to do this for half an hour. So small steps might be praising that they achieved 5 -10 minutes. At the next meal this could be built on by reminding them of their previous achievement and setting a new goal of 15 minutes;

https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-1 0-tips-for-parents

Community, Wellbeing and Support



Join us to celebrate the Festival of Light

Join us to celebrate the Festival of Lights. Come in traditional dress and enjoy a celebration of culture and dance.

Saturday 22 October, 1.30-3.30pm Green Street Library, E13 9AR

- Art & craft for children and adults
- Cultural entertainment
- Mehndi By Gurps
- Refreshments provided
- Live classical drumming from Dhol Academy

For more information, email cn.greenstreet@newham.gov.uk or call 020 337 30827

Our Newham Support

We are working hard to support those most in need. Our Newham services have seen significant increases in requests for help, particularly from families requesting help with energy bills and basic food.





If you're struggling with the rising cost of living you can apply to Our Newham Money Emergency Support, our local welfare scheme.

Our Household Support Fund has already supported 32,000 households with food, energy and other essentials. If you need help or advice, it's available from Our Newham Money (financial wellbeing support and advice), Our Newham Work (finding work, apprenticeships and training) or Employment Rights Hub. You can also find out more about food support from the

Newham Food alliance, including how to refer yourself or someone in need.

Activities for young people this half term

This Autumn School Break there are loads to do for children of all ages (including those who are vulnerable) at our Youth Zones, Libraries, Leisure Centres, Children's Centres and Parks. There are many face-to-face activities as well as online over zoom.

The full programme of activities is now online, from pony rides to BMX sessions, youth dances to Black History Month movies and events, alongside youth choir singing, combat sports, badminton, Halloween parties, stories and quizzes and so much more. Most activities are free

https://www.newham.gov.uk/autumnactivities



Half Term Holiday Clubs

Mix it up this half-term with our multi-activity holiday camps!

These camps are a perfect blend of activities for all ages, combining different sports with a variety of team games. Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried

before - from roller skating to fencing, lacrosse to cheer. Book now for a half-term full of fun!

Hallsville Primary Multi Sports 24th-28th October Monday to Friday 9.00am - 3.00pm



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Beckton and Royal Docks Children's Centre Activity Calendar 24th – 28th October 2022 (Half Term)

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Messy Monday's	Stay & Play	SEND Stay and Play	Sing-Along & Stories	Stay & Play AM
Under 5's	Cooking	Special educational needs	Under 5's	Under 5's
10:00 - 11:00	Under 5's	and disabilities, speech & language delay	10:00 - 10:45	10:00-11:00
Dove Approach entrance	10:00-11:30	Under 5's	Tollgate Road entrance	Tollgate Road entrance
Booking Required	Dove Approach entrance	10:30 – 11:30		
	Booking Required	Dove Approach entrance		
Baby Sing-Along and	Stay & Play	Stay and Play Babies		Stay & Play PM
Stories	Under 5's	Under 1's 1:30 – 2:30		Under 5's
Under 1's	1:30-2:30	Dove Approach entrance		1:30 - 2:30
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Please book after 9:30am on the Friday the week before your sessions- info@bardcc.org.uk 020 7474 0654



Beckton and Royal Docks Children's Centre Activity Calendar

31st October - 30th November 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Messy Monday's	Stay and Play Babies Under 1's	SEND Stay and Play	Sing-Along & Stories	Stay & Play AM
Under 5's	10:00-11:00	Special educational needs	Under 5's	Under 5's
10:00 - 11:00	Dove Approach entrance	and disabilities, speech & language delay	10:00 - 10:45	10:00-11:00
Dove Approach entrance Booking Required	Booking Required	Under 5's 10:30 – 11:30	Dove Approach entrance	Tollgate Road entrance
Music and Movement		Dove Approach entrance	Venue Change Triple P	
10:00 – 11:00 Royal Wharf Community Dock Square		Sing-Along 10:00-11:00 Britannia Village Hall Term Time Only	Parenting Program 9:30 – 11:30 3 rd Nov -15 th Dec Booking Required	
Term Time Only		Term Time Only	7-week program	
Baby Sing-Along and Stories	Stay & Play Under 5's	Stay and Play Babies Under 1's 1:30 – 2:30	Print & Paint Workshop	Stay & Play PM Under 5's
Under 1's 1:30 - 2:30	1:30-2:30 Tollgate Road entrance	Dove Approach entrance Booking Required	17 th November	1:30 – 2:30 Tollgate Road entrance
Tollgate Road entrance Booking Required		Booking Required	1:30 – 2:30	Baby Massage
Dooking Required		Sing-Along	Dove Approach entrance	11th Nov- 2nd Dec
1:30 – 2:30 North Woolwich Library		Booking Required	1:30-2:30 Dove Approach entrance	
		Term Time Only		Booking Required

Please book after 9:30am on the **Friday** the week before your sessions- info@bardcc.org.uk 020 7474 051

Congratulations

Work of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been nominated by their teachers for the quality of their work this week.

Year	Name	Context of Work
Reception		
Year 1	Esther	For happily completing her work all morning.
Year 2	Harry	For planning a very creative soup recipe in DT.
Year 3	Aroush	For writing a neat and brilliant plan for our science experiment independently.
Year 4	Jessica	For writing a wonderful description of her crazy invention, using conjunctions and prepositions.
Year 5	Boris	For applying logical and critical thinking to a mathematical problem in order to answer the reasoning question set by Mr Hanif.
Year 6		

Assembly Special Mentions

Congratulations to the following people who had a special mention in assembly this week

Octopus Class - Well done for putting on a fantastic assembly despite all of the disruptions we've had with practice this week. You are all such brilliant individuals and have made both your support staff and I super proud. -Miss Dualeh.

House Winners

Every child is in one of our 5 houses. They can earn points for their house by showing our 5 school values and by supporting other children in the school. Each week the House with the most points becomes House of the Week. They have a star added to their chart in the hall. The House with the most stars at the end of the year gets an afternoon at the park with ice lollies

Last week's House winners who earned the most house points were

Michael Rosen



Certificate Mentions 07/10/2022

Congratulations to the following people who achieved a certificate this week



Certificate	Name & Class	Level
Lexia (New levels completed)	Matvii (L3) Daniel L (L3) Noah (D5)	1 3 7

	Amina (S4) Nicolas (D5)	10 11
Times Table Rockstars (New speed record!)	Blessing, Eric, Ryan, David (L3) Taijsha, Simon, Phillip, Eidanas, Sneeha, Vesta, Emma, Issa, Rares, Glory, Hussain, Jason, Elena, Abdul (O4) Jahdel, Minahil, Milana, Lakshana, Eliana, Victoria (S4) Isra, Diamond (D5) Khadija, Miley, Ulliel, Quinel, Henryk, Petra, Jake, Ilyas, Alatz (S5)	
Mathletics Bronze	Shannon, Emily, Eliora, Ridwan, Gaia (J2) Sumaiya, Blessing, David (L3) Nojus & Eliana (S4)	
Mathletics Silver	Sumaiya (L3) Fisayo (S5)	
Mathletics Gold	Sumaiya (L3)	
Pen Licences	Rayan (D5) Fisayo, Miley (S5)	



Our stars are awarded in our Friday assembly to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you they also get 3 House Points and a star of the week pencil to use in school or take home.



14/10/2022

House Name	Creola Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
Value	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1					
Guppy 2					
Lionfish	Jervanni	Amelia	Amirah	Lincoln	Sehajnad
Clownfish	Ryan	Simona	Yousuf	Esther	Airina
Jellyfish	Sophia	Emily	Kevinas	Robert	Thomas
Starfish	Mia	Ayden	Isabelle	Chaslyn	Tope
Turtle	Fionel	Andrew	Ester	Jessica	Cindy
Lobster	Raphael	Blessing	Ibrahim	Amira	Natalie

Octopus	Simon	Taijsha	Emma	Issa	Yasmin
Seahorse	Victoria	Mikaela	Tahmid	Nabeel	Eliana
Stingray	Jake	Yasin	Fisayo	Henryk	Nicoleta
Dolphin	Dijana	Hannah	Alan	Ardin	Daisie