



## ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 24 - 22nd March 2023



**Dear Parents & Carers,**

Yesterday you would have received a letter from the Chair of Governors explaining about increased charges for before and after school clubs and changes to visits. We are very aware that these are challenging times and this decision has not been taken lightly. We have done what we can as a school to protect our community from price rises over recent years but unfortunately we are no longer in the position to do this.

Whilst we were putting new procedures in place, you may have received different messages about when club bookings go live. We apologise for any confusion and can confirm bookings go live on **MONDAY 27th MARCH 2023 at 8.00am** as this is after many families paydays.

***Take care and stay safe.***

***Sue Ferguson***

### General Information



#### Clubs



Attached to this newsletter is information about after school clubs for the summer term.

We are changing the way these are booked which will now be on Parentmail on a first come first served basis (like parents evening appointments).

Clubs can start being booked from **MONDAY 27th MARCH 2023 at 8.00am**.

Please note payment at the new rates will need to be made at the time of booking. See club letter for further details.



#### Ramadan

The first day of Ramadan, for our Muslim community, will begin this week. We wanted to wish you all 'Ramadan Mubarak'.

Please see the email sent out earlier today with further details regarding the arrangements, which coincide with the school policy.

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you wish them to fast, please email us at:

[info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk) to inform us of this, as we will only support children to fast if we have had this information from the parent.

#### Dates for your diary

**23rd March** - Dolphin Sharing Assembly

**3rd -16th April** - Easter Holidays

**17th April** - Return to school

**1st May** - Bank holiday

**8th May** - Coronation Bank Holiday

**8th-12th May** - SATs week





### Scooters & Bikes in the playground

We are extremely happy to see how many children are using bikes or scooters to come to school and there is lots of storage in the playground for these. However, when you collect your child at the end of the day please make sure they do not start riding until they leave the playground. Thank you.



### Mothers Day Sale

Thank you to all the children who brought Mothers Day gifts. We raised £262.13 which will be added to the ongoing fundraising for a stage.



## **ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **1 x Midday supervisory assistant**

*(Term time only)*  
Hours 11.45am – 1.15pm

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic Midday supervisory assistant for this popular and successful two form entry primary school, which serves a diverse multi-ethnic community in Beckton, East London.

#### Do you want to:

- Be involved in innovation and change?
- Join a hardworking and supportive staff team?
- Work in a stimulating, modern and well-maintained environment?

#### We are looking for a Midday supervisory assistant who is willing to :

- Enjoy working with children across the primary age range (3 – 11 years)
- Able to support the learning of groups of children outside of the classroom
- Willing to work 1:1 to support children with additional needs
- Committed to work as part of a strong team with enthusiasm and integrity
- Wanting to make a difference!

#### We can offer:

- An exciting multi-cultural school community with wonderful children
- A supportive and well-motivated staff
- Professional development and training
- A true sense of community and mutual respect

*The successful applicant will have to meet the requirements of the person specification in order to be offered the post and will be subject to an enhanced DBS check. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Successful applicants will also be required to complete a pre-interview self disclosure, and will be subject to online checks for safeguarding purposes.*

Applications should be completed via the Jobs Go Public site <https://www.jobsgopublic.com/>  
If you have any queries please contact Lynn Wilson on: 02075119414 option4 or email [lynn.wilson@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk](mailto:lynn.wilson@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk)

Closing date: 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
Interviews: week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

# Our Learning

## Year 2 Trip - St Paul's Cathedral

Year 2 visited St Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday as part of their RE unit on 'Why is Easter important to Christians?' We had a fantastic time exploring St Paul's Cathedral and learning more about the Easter story. Our guides reviewed each part of the Easter story with us as we moved around the Cathedral and collected items that represented each part of the story. We then used these items to retell the story as a class. We found out extra information about Easter and how it is celebrated in a Christian Church. We were amazed at how high the dome was as we were able to lay down on the floor and look up at it. There were some brilliant pictures that we were able to discuss with our guide.

We all really enjoyed ourselves and were very well behaved!



*Miss Foster and Mr Islam.  
Year 2*

## Learning Tips

### **Reading**

Visit the local library together. It's always fun choosing new books to read, and keep an eye out for special events at the library or local bookshops particularly during the holidays.  
Just remember to read a little every day!



### **Maths**

Rapid recall of basic number bonds (like  $5+2=7$  and  $7-5=2$ ) and multiplication tables is essential in helping your child to progress. Although this is taught in school, practice is the key to help this become embedded.

#### Ideas to help

- Chant times tables and/or number bonds on your to and back from school.
- Use rhymes & games (youtube has some great ones)
- Use Maths in a Flash & Times tables Rockstars
- Play speed games to see if they can answer more quickly and beat their last time.

### **Well-being**



Many parents will have moments where they feel like it's difficult to cope. There are some things you can do to support yourself, and places you can go for help.



<https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/parenting-relationships/parent-mental-health/parent-i-cant-cope/>

## E- Safety

A free online safety guide on Safe and Healthy Online Habits.

Every year, Comic Relief goes all out to help people, both in the UK and internationally, who are going through a tough time. In our area of specialism, we at National Online Safety are acutely aware that – for children and young people in particular – many of those difficult moments increasingly originate from and unfold in the digital world.



From inappropriate content to the toxic behaviour of others, online harms can do long-lasting damage. That's why we're passionate about helping this new generation to build their digital resilience – equipping them to deal with digital dangers. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide has a selection of tips for encouraging safe and healthy online habits.

In this guide we've compiled a list of useful suggestions which could help you and your family strike the right balance and build digital resilience.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/safe-and-healthy-habits-online>

## Community, Wellbeing and Support

### **Ford RideLondon FreeCycle**

This family-friendly event is completely free for anyone to take part – people can just join the ride on the day. The route takes place in some of London's most famous sights and includes four Festival Zones and a Festival Hub in Trafalgar Square full of activities and entertainment for all ages.

Further information will be shared with you soon, but here's a taster of what to expect [Ford RideLondon FreeCycle - RideLondon](#)



### Helping residents during the cost of living crisis

Our Help is Here campaign has launched to offer further help to residents during the cost of living crisis and ensure residents know where to go for help throughout the borough.

The Help is Here booklet lists a range of resources that can provide information and support for people around finances, housing, energy bills, food, work, health and emotional wellbeing.

There is also an online map, which shows where all this help is provided in person.

[View the Help is Here booklet >](#)

[View the online map to find where you can access in-person help >](#)

### Join the Great British Spring Clean from 17 March - 2 April



The Great British Spring Clean, now in its eighth year, brings together individuals, community organisations, businesses and councils to litter pick and make a big difference to the environment on our doorstep.

Across Newham - schools, communities and neighbourhood and resident groups are joining forces with waste, recycling and enforcement teams to help clean up our parks and public places by litter picking.

Email [recycling@newham.gov.uk](mailto:recycling@newham.gov.uk) if you would like to run a litter pick to beautify your area.

## 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	Hayley	For a beautiful, independent piece of writing about Mae Jemison
Year 1	Alex C	For forming most of his letters correctly across all subjects!
Year 2	Scarlett	For being able to recall the 2,5 and 10 times table.
Year 3	Deborah	For writing a brilliant opening to her own story in English.
Year 4		
Year 5	Meer	For his detailed plan of his Percy Jackson narrative.
Year 6		

### Assembly Special Mentions

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

**Year 5 Sports Leaders** - For successfully running their first sports activities with KS1. You were all amazing and should be very proud of yourselves.





## Certificate Mentions 17/03/2023



Congratulations to the following people who achieved a certificate this week

Certificate	Name & Class	Level
Lexia	Matvii Kemi Eidanas Ashaz	3 4 7 13
Times Table Rockstars <i>(New speed record!)</i>	Ibrahim, Raphael, Kenny (L3) Isra, Phillip, Eidanas (O4) Mikaela, Kartar, Alena, Olivia, Ruby, Hamzah (S4)	
Mathletics Silver	Laurynas(C1) Eliana (O4) Glory, Diana (S4)	
Mathletics Bronze	Laurynas, Aisha (C1) Sumaiya, Natalie, Rokhaya (L3) Glory, Diana, Rares, Phillip, Elena, Orion, Tyler, (O4) Eliana, Mikaela, Olivia, David I (S4)	



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.



### 17/03/2023

House Name	Creola Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
Value	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1	Ziyarah	Halle	D'or	Marnie	Abimelech
Guppy 2	Yousuf	Khushpreet	Filippos	Otilia	Justina
Lionfish	Paula	Charisa	Hafsa	Yusuf	Freddy
Clownfish	Khadija	Aisha	Noah	Dhaveed	Kayden
Jellyfish	Haris	Aisha	Khalid	Reece	Robert
Starfish	Ayden	Oliver	Rida	Mia	Austeja
Turtle	Diana	Nikita	Fionel	Denitsa	Farwa
Lobster	Blessing	Raphael	Muhammad	Kemi	Matvii



Octopus	Evie	Waraka	Hussain	Issa	Vesta
Seahorse	Jahdel	Kartar	David M	Ruby	Henry
Stingray	Liam	Henryk	Fisayo	Ulliel	Ashaz
Dolphin	Christopher	Dijana	Nicholas	Kydon	Isra
Shark	Morgana	Niah	Kellicia	Bella	Camilla
Whale	Precious	Lauryn	Zain	Nuraz C	Aleeza



Due to World Book Day last Friday we were not able to announce our Stars of the Week and our congratulations section. Keep an eye out for double in next week's newsletter

