



ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 8 - 6th November 2024



Dear Parents & Carers,
Welcome back.

Welcome back, I hope you all had a good half term. The children have come back with loads of smiles in anticipation of the rest of the exciting term we have ahead. It has been so lovely to read some very adventurous pieces of writing completed by children in various classes. The children's voices fill the air with soothing harmony first this in the morning and towards the end of the school day. We say welcome back to our music teacher Mr Fillippo.

Happy Diwali

Happy Diwali to all our families who have celebrated at this time



Up & Out Week

Well done to all our Ambassadors & Junior Governors who hosted over 10 professionals and two of our Local MPs as they visited our school over the week, just before half term to showcase their professional expertise. This supports our children's future aspirations. Keep an eye out for an upcoming newsletter, where we will share more details.

Sue Ferguson Memorial Run

A reminder that before the half term a letter and sponsorship form was sent out by email, as well as a hard copy which contained details of this fundraising event. Please read through carefully and support all our children to take part in this memorable run week beginning the 18th November.

Kind regards,
Janice Owen-Amadasun (**Acting-Headteacher**)

General Information

Year 6 SATs - Online parent meeting: 7th November.

Tomorrow, 7th November, we will be holding an information session for Year 6 parents and carers about the KS2 SATs, which Year 6 will sit in May 2025.

The session will explain what the SATs are, what each test will entail and how best to support your child to prepare for the tests. There will also be a Q&A at the end of the presentation.



The first meeting is at 2:15-2:45 pm and the same session will be repeated at 4:30-5:00 pm. It will be held online, via Zoom. Please log on using the link or meeting details below.

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87629238508?pwd=ZTlvaVA0cmdHYUN6cmJ3cGlzTW4xZz09>

Meeting ID: 876 2923 8508

Passcode: 926151

Year 6 - Easter Booster sessions



Each year, we run Easter holiday revision sessions for all of our Year 6 pupils. This academic year, the sessions will run each morning, from **Monday 7th April until Thursday 10th April**.

We encourage all pupils to attend, as in previous years the sessions have proved beneficial to pupils' progress and outcomes at the end of KS2. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Anti-Bullying Week 2024 takes place from Monday 11th – Friday 15th November with the theme 'Choose Respect'.

This Anti-Bullying Week we urge adults and children alike to come together to have discussions about what it means to disagree respectfully, how to avoid resorting to bullying, and how we can all choose to lead by example.

We will be holding odd sock day on **Tuesday 12th November** where we will encourage children and staff to wear odd socks to think about how we can reach out to prevent and stop bullying, and celebrate what makes us all unique.

Mrs Higgins

Cashpot for schools

We've got some exciting news to share with you. Parentkind – a charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.



Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school.

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
3. Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop.

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most. Remember, anyone can sign up – so start spreading the news and raising funds for our school. This initiative is on top of the existing Asda Rewards benefits you get as a shopper – so you won't lose out on any of your own earnings or Cashpot, so everyone's a winner!

Celebration Assembly

House Winners (25th October)

Every child is in one of our five 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 too!

The House winners last week were: Michael Rosen - Blue house!

Work of the Week

Year Group	Child's Name	Context of work
1	Yehor	For trying hard to complete all his work neatly and independently.
2	Safa	For researching information about wolves and putting them into paragraphs with subheadings.
3	Amina	For her excellent knowledge of Mummification
4	Mia	For writing a great postcard which included prepositional phrases.
5	Matas	For building atmosphere when describing a setting.
6	Katelya	For creating a beautiful Benin bronze mask.

Community, Wellbeing and Support

Warm Havens: Your local library's extended hours and more!

Starting 4 November, Newham libraries will extend their opening hours to become Warm Havens, offering safe, non-judgemental, and warm spaces during the cold winter months.

Alongside a warm welcome and hot drinks, our libraries offer free Wi-Fi and lots of activities tailored to all ages and interests. Whether you're a parent looking for engaging toddler sessions, someone who enjoys coffee mornings, or a tech enthusiast eager to join code clubs and digital skills sessions, there's something for everyone.



Find more on Warm Havens and library extended opening times >



Would you like to learn more about the steps you could take to feel confident about your finances?

As part of Talk Money Week, the Council's financial wellbeing service, Our Newham Money, will host a free webinar with HSBC on Thursday 7 November.

The session will cover essential topics like understanding credit reports, budget planning, savings, debt management, protection and avoiding fraud.

Don't miss out on valuable insights to improve your financial wellbeing.

Register here >



New Family Hub opens in Manor Park

A new Family Hub has opened in Manor Park, serving as a "one-stop shop" for local families. This hub, one of three in Newham Council's Family Hub Network, was opened by Mayor Rokhsana Fiaz and Councillor Sarah Ruiz at Sheringham Nursery School and Children's Centre.

Families explored the services available, which include antenatal care, infant feeding support, and early years education.

Councillor Ruiz said: "This is all part of our investment in children and young people to ensure they get the support they need from birth through to adulthood." The Family Hub

is located at Manor Park Community Children's Centre, E12 5PB.

Call the hub >
Email the hub >