



Dear Parents & Carers,

Chair of Governor's Report on the GB SEF Day

On 06/03/2025 the Governing Body visited the school for our annual Self Evaluation day. This is an opportunity to see the school on a normal working day so we started with a delicious lunch with the pupils and then a visit to the playground with the school ambassadors. This was also a chance to talk to staff and pupils about their book day costumes which were truly spectacular.

In the afternoon we met with the Junior Governors who told us about their role and the exciting projects they are involved in this year. We then went on a tour of the school with school ambassadors, visiting classes in all year groups and seeing a wide variety of different activities the children were involved in. Our ambassadors were very helpful, answering all our questions and speaking so positively about their experiences at Ellen Wilkinson.

As always, we were very impressed by the behaviour, enthusiasm, and focus on learning shown by all the children we met and by the confidence, helpfulness and maturity of our pupil guides. This visit, alongside all the reports, data and presentations from curriculum leaders we have in our GB meetings, helps governors develop a real understanding of the school and its strengths and development plans.

(Marie Christie (Chair of Governors))

Year 1 Lionfish Celebration Assembly

It was another exciting opportunity to welcome over 30 parents who watched their children showcase their learning in science about 'Which animals live on our planet?' Children from Lionfish spoke so confidently as they shared and sang about the classification of these animals. The highlight of their assembly was when they fearlessly engaged their parents in a science quiz about animals. Parents were in no doubt about how much their children know and how they also enjoy their learning. Well done!

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

General Information



Eat them to defeat them!

Your child has been taking part in the 'Eat Them to Defeat Them' programme from Veg Power, kindly funded by Newham Council. We hope you and your child/ren had lots of fun defeating the veg at home. We are eager to hear your feedback. It is invaluable in helping us learn, improve, and secure future funding for our school for such programmes.

- Quick and Easy: the survey only takes 5-10 minutes.
- Shopping vouchers to be won: by completing the survey you will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win one of five £50 shopping vouchers
- School funding: by completing the survey our school will be entered into a draw for a £250 unrestricted funding we can use for much needed resources for the school.

To get started follow the link below:

<https://eatthemtodefeatthem.com/newham-survey/>

If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Higgins.

Pre-worn uniform

We have a stock of pre-worn uniform, mostly jumpers, which are available to parents on request **at no cost**.

It's often convenient to have a spare jumper in case one gets muddy or needs a wash. All the jumpers are washed and checked before sending them out.

Please email eco@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk if you would like to have one sent home in your child's book bag, **giving their name and approximate size. If you have any questions, please speak to Mr O'Dowd.**



Newham Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

Easter Holiday: Fun, Food, and Friends for 4 to 16 year olds! (7 April to Sunday 20 April 2025).

Funded by the Department of Education, HAF clubs across Newham offer a wide range of fun and enriching activities, including sports, drama, cooking, music, arts, trips, and much more! These activities are a fantastic way for children and young people to stay active, build confidence, develop new skills, and enjoy a healthy meal each day.

Children and young people who live or attend school in Newham and are eligible for benefits-related free school meals are invited to join up to 8 days of exciting activities. You can choose any number of days and clubs to suit your schedule.

How to Book?

- Simply scan the QR Code or visit <https://eequ.org/newhamhaf> to explore all the exciting Clubs and activities during the Easter holidays
- Filter activities by age and location, but remember you can choose clubs anywhere in Newham and as many different Clubs as you like!

Special Educational Needs and Disability:

We believe every child and young person should have the opportunity to enjoy the HAF programme. That is why our activities are accessible for children with moderate special educational needs (SEND). We also offer **specialist SEND programmes** for children requiring extra support. Each club assesses individual needs to ensure the best experience for your child/young person.

How to register for benefits-related free school meals?

- Families can apply for benefits-related free school meals at any time:
<https://www.newham.gov.uk/school-meals-newham/free-school-meals/3>

For more information, **contact:** HAF@newham.gov.uk



W.I.N.S. Parent Workshops

We are holding the last in this current series of W.I.N.S parent workshops, which will be delivered by Anna Larsen, a CBT Therapist attached to CAMHS, who has been working with children and families in our school. We are pleased to offer these workshops to our families, as they focus on different aspects of children's development and interactions. The last session will focus on sleep routines and is an excellent opportunity to ask any questions you might have and also access updated information around sleep routines.

- **Tuesday 25th of March: Sleep routines (60 mins) - at 2:00 pm**

[Click here](#) to express your interest in attending so that we are able to plan for the event. However, if you have not signed up and decide to attend on the day, you will be able to do so.

To attend the session, please report to the school office at 1:55 pm on the day of the session, after which you will be able to collect your child from their usual place.



LCIS training for parents and carers

LCIS - Newham's Learning Communication and Interaction Service, is running a number of training sessions for parents and carers whose children have social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism.

Please see flyers attached to this for more information on what sessions are on offer and details on how to book.

If you have any questions or need help with booking, please speak to Mrs Paul.

Parent information session - Our History and Geography curriculum



We are excited to welcome our parents to a History and Geography information session on Thursday 3rd April at 2:30pm.

It will be an opportunity to share and celebrate the children's learning, as well as some of the curriculum refinement work we have been doing- as we have recently redeveloped some of our History and Geography units - to ensure prioritisation of the children's key knowledge and skills.

If you do wish to attend and find out more about History and Geography lessons at EWPS, access on the day will be via the front office.

Diary Dates - March

Date	Time	Year Groups	Details
Thurs 20th	2.45 pm	Y1L	Year 1 Lionfish Sharing Assembly
Wb 24th	Break time	ALL	Mother's Day gifts on sale to pupils during break time.
April			
Thurs 3rd	2:30pm	ALL	Parent information session - History and Geography curriculum.
Fri 4th	N/A	ALL	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. SCHOOL FINISHES AT NORMAL TIME
7th – 21st	N/A	ALL	EASTER HOLIDAYS
7th - 10th	8:25-12:00	ALL	Y6 EASTER BOOSTER
Tues 22nd N-6	8.45am	ALL	BACK TO SCHOOL - FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Celebration Assembly

House Winners (14th March 2025)

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 and 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:
Marcus Rashford (Yellow house)**

Work of the Week

Year	Child	Context of work
Rec	Matteo	For creating an amazing model of a new species of animal for science week.
1	Amelia V	For her wonderful writing of a diary entry this week.
2	Joao	For his beautiful presentation in his English book.
3	Zakariya	Completing all the challenges in his Maths work.
4	Sofia	For using a range of conjunctions to give advice.
5	Kemi	For developing a new skill in DT.
6	Henry	For writing a well structured newspaper article

Stars of the Week

	Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1	Humna	Patricia	Adele	James	Konstantin
Guppy 2	Jayden	Nuh	Liyana	Ilinca	Gaia
Lionfish	Alan	Holly	Ayyan H	Kevin	Hanna
Clownfish	Faith	Caua	Eli	Khalid	Lukas
Jellyfish	Hayley	D'or	Aliza	Bliss	Jowain
Starfish	Arianna	Layla	Tilly	Safia	Elia
Turtle	James	Isabella	Nyla	Aisha	Laurynas
Lobster	Hafsa	Neyara	Ibraheem	Aariz	Samuel
Octopus	Frankie	Mia	Yanis	Spencer	Austeja
Seahorse	Iqra	Aisha	Sophia	Reece	Thomas
Stingray	Zain	Blake	Kenny	Liepa	Ibrahim
Dolphin	Maya	Ester	Hasan	Deborah	Milana
Shark	Issa	Sneeha	Tyler	Hussain	Saad
Whale	Matteo	Amina	Mikaela	Tuba	Nabeel

Special Mentions

Daniel - Jellyfish	For completing a whopping 900 minutes of Lexia in the past 4 weeks! He has completed 5 levels in this time. Well done Daniel!
Clownfish class	For a fantastic performance during their sharing assembly this week. Everyone loved the quiz and all the adults learned so much about animals!

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Headliner (Under 4 seconds)	Lobster	Zoya K
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	Turtle	Isabella
Lexia	Adam Jana Rexhep Amelia	Level 5 Level 4 C5 Level 2 C5 level 7

Community, Wellbeing and Support



Keep Newham tidy with the Great British Spring Clean

Residents are being encouraged to join Keep Britain Tidy's 10th Great British Spring Clean, running from 21 March - 6 April. Simply pledge to collect at least one bag of litter; a small act that makes a big impact on our community and local wildlife.

Last year, 97% of volunteers felt they made a difference, and 84% felt more pride in their area. Let's do even better this year! Join your friends, family or neighbours, and let's show our love for Newham.

[Join a local litter pick or set up your own >](#)

[Pledge your support for the Great British Spring Clean >](#)

Support our young people by becoming a Parkrun volunteer

Junior Parkrun is a free, fun and friendly weekly community event organised by volunteers of all ages for children aged 4-14 years. It encourages children to walk, jog or run 2km. The support from volunteers is so important to ensure the runs go smoothly - help and guidance is also available. We are looking for volunteers from approximately 8.30 -10am (weekly), with the runs taking place every Sunday morning at 9am.

The volunteer roles available vary from welcoming participants, to marshalling, timing and result recording. Volunteers do not need to commit every week, but regular volunteers are welcome.

[Find out more about volunteer roles with Parkrun >](#)

[Find out more about the Junior Parkrun Run Director role >](#)



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7th - 17th April 2025

Hallsville Primary School Newham 9am - 3.30pm

Hartley Primary School Newham 9am - 3pm

Sacred Heart of Mary's Upminster 9am - 4pm

Manor Junior School Barking 9am - 3pm

Roding Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm

Rose Lane Primary School Romford 9am - 3pm

14th - 17th April 2025

Marsh Green Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm

Hunters Hall Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm

Our 5* Holiday Camps are the perfect place to keep your kids entertained over the Easter holidays.

Our camps are a fantastic place for children to meet new friends, have lots of fun, and create wonderful memories!

Every day is different, with a mix of fun activities that children may not have tried before - from nerf wars to dodgeball, Easter Crafts to Easter Egg hunts!

Book now for an Easter full of fun!



Scan here for more information

PLEASE BRING

Pack lunch
 Plenty of water
 Suitable clothing
 Loads of energy!

30% off until
 14th March!

