



ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 5 - 1st October 2025



Dear Parents & Carers,

Building Responsibility

This week the spotlight is on our House Captains and Ambassadors who have been chosen for their outstanding commitment, leadership qualities, and enthusiasm to represent the school.

Our **House Captains** are: *Farwa, Oyelakin, Cindy, Daniel M, Maya, Markas, Kemi, Rexhep, Aroush & Blake*

As part of their commitment to the school, the House Captains, who are all year 6 pupils, assist in setting up and take lead parts in Friday celebration assemblies. They also help to identify the winning houses on a weekly basis, gather ideas for school events such as charity-led fundraisers and house competitions.

Our **Ambassadors** are: *Elizabeth, Zain A, Kairone, Deborah, Ayden, Hannah, Diana, Samarah, Emilijus, Kenny, Muhammad, Milana, Eric, Matas, Jessica, Mariana, David P, Amelia, Natalie, Blessing, & Raphael.*

As part of their commitment to the school, the Ambassadors, who are also year 6 pupils, who are timetables on a weekly basis to support the younger children at lunch time in the hall. They also welcome visitors to our school.

Harvest Festival: We will hold our Harvest Festival assembly on Friday 3rd October. We look forward to your generous donations. Please see below for more details

Parents' Evening: We look forward to having all our parents attend the first Parents' Evening of the academic year on Thursday 16th October from 3:20pm to 7:30pm.

Parents' Evening bookings will be open for parents/carers, on Parentmail, from Thursday 2nd October, at 7pm. Bookings will close on Monday 13th October. **A reminder that after school clubs will not be running on Thursday 16th October, with the exception of wrap-around care.**

Kind regards,
Mrs. Owen-Amadasun
Headteacher

General Information

Chair of Governor's Autumn update:

Last week the Governing Body held our first meeting for this academic year. This meeting at the start of the Autumn term focuses on GB plans for the year; agreeing link governor positions, subcommittee membership and the calendar. We also spent some time discussing Safeguarding and governors have been asked to undertake training on the latest guidance before our next meeting.

We received a very thorough and interesting report from Mrs Owen-Amadasun, which included progress on building work and repairs completed over the summer, as well as plans for the curriculum this year. We would like to congratulate the school for their end of year 2024/25 statutory assessment results. Data shows that the school achieved above national scores in Early Years GLD, Y1 phonics screening, Y2 phonics screening retakes, Y4 multiplications timetables check and Y6 KS2 SATs. Years 2 - 5 made good progress from their set targets.

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor, information about the role and how to apply will be sent out in the next few weeks. There are also vacancies for co-opted governors. If you know anyone in our school community who may want to serve on our governing body and has the skills to do so, please encourage them to make contact with the school on info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk

Marie Christie- GB Chair

[Reminder: Reporting Absence, Attendance & Punctuality](#)

Reporting Absences

Change in adults collecting children **must** be sent via the school office to maintain safety.

To report your child's absence, please use the studybugs portal to do so.

If you are having difficulty accessing study bugs please can you contact the school. Alternatively, please call the school office before 8:45am.

Further information for reporting absences and requesting any exceptional leave during term time is detailed in our attendance and punctuality policy which is available on the school's website.

For ease of reference please click on the following link:-

<https://www.ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2542&type=pdf>

The year group email address is to be used only for curriculum related issues.

'Up and Out' week

At EWPS we believe it is important to support children's aspirations and widen their understanding of the world around them

One of the ways we do this is through our 'Up and Out' week which introduces children from year 1 to year 6 to different career options they may wish to do when they are older.

We arrange for representatives from all different working environments to speak to the children. We are looking for more volunteers to join them!!

Whether you work in the NHS, a shop, bank, IT sector, a factory, or maybe you are a scientist, driver, plumber, carpenter, electrician, chef, gardener, artist, musician, first responder, beautician - WE need you!



All you would need to do is speak to a class of children about your work including: what you do, how you got into this role, what skills you needed, what you like about your job, you can even include anything you wished you had known when you were at school! Ideally this would be in person but we are happy to arrange a zoom call if it is easier!

If you think you could help us please use the link already sent out to you by parents' mail, or click on the link below to let us know your availability for the week beginning the Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd October 2025.

<https://forms.gle/k9ASasvQnVmeKZdH9>

Thank you for your help.

Harvest Festival - food donations

A reminder that as part of our harvest festival, we are collecting donations of non-perishable food items, which will then be donated to a local food bank, who will distribute the food items to those in need.

- **From Thursday 25th September, there will be a collection box in the playground each morning and afternoon for children and parents to drop off donations.**

All tinned, packet and dry goods are accepted. For example: tea bags, coffee, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, cereal, fruit juice/squash, biscuits, tinned chopped tomatoes, rice, tinned tuna or fish, UHT milk, dried pasta etc.

All items need to be sent in by 9am Friday 3rd October, in time for our Harvest assembly.

As always if you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Ellen Wilkinson Primary School
can get free donations when you shop
with your favourite retailers

Sainsbury's trainline MONEYSUPERMARKET ASDA
JUST EAT Etsy M&S Booking.com

A reminder that you can support Ellen Wilkinson Primary School to raise money for books!

Here's how it works: every time you shop online whether it's for groceries, gifts, clothes, or even booking a holiday 8,000+ retailers like Tesco, M&S, John Lewis, eBay, Argos, ASOS, Booking.com and many more will donate to us for FREE through easyfundraising! Yep, you heard that right - raise money just by shopping like usual!

It's quick, it's easy, and it's FREE just sign up here:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ellen-wilkinson-primary-school/> also look out for the QR codes in the playground. Thank you for your continued support!

DIARY DATES - October

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
Weds 1st	2.15–2.45 4.30–5.00 <i>(repeated)</i>	6	Parents meeting – Fair Play House (virtual) https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87629238508?pwd=ZTlVbVA0cmdHYUN6cmJ3cGlzTW4xZz09	YES
Thurs 2nd	2.45 pm	6W	Year 6 Whale Sharing Assembly	YES
Thurs 9 th	2.45 pm	6S	Year 6 Shark Sharing Assembly	YES
13th - 17th	All week	All	Cycle to school week 2025	NO
Tues 14th	2pm	All	Parent workshop - emotional regulation Delivered by WINS (Wellbeing in Newham Schools) Details below.	YES
Weds 15th	2.15 pm	Rec & Yr 1	Parents workshop - What is phonics?	YES
Weds 15th	9am and 4pm	LE and N	Applying for a Reception place 2024: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87629238508?pwd=ZTlVbVA0cmdHYUN6cmJ3cGlzTW4xZz09	YES
Thurs 16th	3.30–7 p.m.	N - 6	Parents' Evening There will be no after school clubs on this day.	YES
Wb 20th	All week	All	Up and Out Week	NO
24th - 31st	HALF TERM			
Friday 31st	11:59pm	Year 6	Secondary school application deadline	No

Parent workshops

Tuesday's @ 2pm at Ellen Wilkinson Primary School
Delivered by the Wellbeing In Newham Schools Team (WINS)

HOW ARE YOU FEELING?



14/10/25 - Emotional regulation

Emotional regulation is the ability to adjust and manage energy levels, emotions, and alertness so that we are able to participate in activities that are both necessary and meaningful to us. This workshop will look at why emotional regulation is important, what may impact a child's ability to self-regulate and strategies you can use to support your child with emotional regulation.

Celebration Assembly

Stars of the Week

	Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Lionfish	Aaliyah	Barjam	Lavinia	Maneer	Raysa
Clownfish	Elizabeth	Dominic	James	Idris	Cristi
Jellyfish	Andrea S	Anastasia	Alexandra	Noah	Joniah
Starfish	Zaara	Caua	Nathaniel	Ema	Eva
Turtle	Adam	Safa	Louisa	Elia	Jana
Lobster	Halle	Yousuf	Otilia	Sofia	Joao
Octopus	Nyla	David	Elsie	Zakariyya	Rohan
Seahorse	Ayana	Toby	Rose	Lohith	Zoya K
Stingray	Nael	Brittany	Dawud	Iqra	Shannon
Dolphin	Sofia	Victoria	Frankie	Yanis	Oliver
Shark	Luca	Aroush	Deborah	Diana	Ester
Whale	Muhammad	Jayden	Eric	Kemi	Amira

House Winners (26th September 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: Malala Yousafzai (Purple House)

Special Mentions

Who	Reason
Year 5	For excellent behaviour on your trip on Thursday. You made us all very proud.
Year 3 - Sofia, Emma, Aurora, Zara and Halle.	For independently creating a shadow box in their own time, demonstrating great enthusiasm and a genuine interest in their learning. Mrs Willis and Ms Burchell are extremely proud of you.

Work of the week

Year	Child	Context of work
1	Elizabeth	For amazing presentation in all of her subject books, especially in maths with 1 digit one square.
2	Khalid	For writing an excellent story in English using a range of adjectives.
3	Justina	For writing a great story opening using past tense.
4	Patryk	For designing a detailed shrine in RE.
5	Adomas	An excellent retell of a known story, using fronted adverbials and subordinate clauses.
6	Abeera	Writing a good opening to her story.

Certificates

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Wannabe (Over 10 seconds)	Turtle Octopus	Hayley Lincoln
TTRS Garage Rocker (Under 10 seconds)	Octopus	Noah Zakariyya
TTRS Gigger (Under 8 seconds)	Octopus	Ismaeel
TTRS Unsigned Act (Under 7 seconds)	Stingray Octopus	Sonny Darjans & Arham
TTRS Support Act (Under 5 seconds)	Seahorse Octopus	Princess Hadassah, Alex A & Elsie
TTRS Headliner (Under 4 seconds)	Octopus	Yousuf & Isabella
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	Dolphin Octopus	Safeerah, Spencer & Rida Masheedat & Nyla
TTRS Rock Legends (Under 2 seconds)	Stingray Dolphin Octopus	Nael Genesis Laurynas, Ryan, Sameel, Mahdiya, Rohaan, Ariya & Jervanni
Pen License	Dolphin	Safeerah

Community, Wellbeing and Support



Empowering residents and businesses with confidential advice and support

Our Newham is the council's service exclusively for Newham residents supporting you across five programmes: Money, Work, Business & Enterprise, Learning & Skills and Youth. From helping residents maximise their income and kickstarting career journeys to supporting local businesses and start-ups, find out how Our Newham can help give you the boost you need at: www.newham.gov.uk/ournewham or come and visit us at **112-118 The Grove, E15 1NS**

Newham Schools Autumn Challenge



Let's get active by taking part in a special challenge with the BetterPoints app

The top three schools can win great prizes. Participants can win prizes, plus **£5 and £10** vouchers for getting active.



DOWNLOAD the BetterPoints app with the special code **bettergreen**



PICK your school team



WIN and earn BetterPoints, which you can spend on **shopping vouchers** or **donate to your school** - your choice!



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