



# ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER 11 - 25th November 2025



Dear Parents & Carers,

On Monday 17/11/2025 the children and staff had their first **Learning Fair** of this academic year. Years 1-6 shared what they had studied in Quarter 1. Lots of excitement shared as children visited one class to the next

Year 1	Budding historians shared their exploration of children's games through the ages
Year 2	Young artists using tints and shades of colour in the style of Lubaina Himid
Year 3	Writing in hieroglyphics - Ancient Egyptian style
Year 4	Stylish artists modelling and painting clay pots - Ancient Greek style
Year 5	Street art work inspired by Keith Haring
Year 6	Clay masks of Benin City - mirroring Ancient Benin bronze artwork

These sessions, are organised and delivered by the children, which are an important part of our curriculum- helping children embed the skills and knowledge acquired from their unit, Oracy, self-esteem and confidence are also promoted. The next Learning Fair will be at the end of quarter 2, which commences at the start of February.

### **Films at the O2**

It has been a very exciting week, our children went to watch various films at the O2. It was a very enjoyable experience for all.

Y1 Sloth Lane, Y2 Dog Man, Y3&4 Sonic 3, Y5 Snow White Wicked for Good and Y6 The Missing Link  
Lots of transferrable skills will have been acquired by the children from this opportunity and this will influence all areas of learning and social interaction in school. Well done to all our children as they were deemed very well behaved with good manners at the venue.

### **Christmas discos:**

Our exciting seasonal discos start on Monday 1st December: 3.45 - 4.45 (Reception) & 5.00 - 6.00 (Y1 & Y2).  
More details can be found further on in this newsletter. Years 3-6 next week beginning 08/11/2025

### **Multiplication Tables**

A reminder that tomorrow there will be a parent meeting for Year 4 parents, regarding the DfE Multiplication Tables Check which all Year 4 pupils across the country are required to take, in June. The session will explain what the check involves and how best to support your child with their times table knowledge at home. Sessions will take place online - the Zoom link can be found in the diary dates section below.

Kind regards,  
**Mrs. Owen-Amadasun**  
Headteacher

**General Information**

**Christmas Discos - our discos will be taking place over the next couple of weeks. Please see dates, times and key information below.**



Monday 1st December: 3.45 - 4.45 (Reception) & 5.00 - 6.00 (Years 1 & 2)  
Monday 8th December: 3.45 - 5.00 (Years 3 & 4) & 5.15 - 6.30 (Years 5 & 6)

**Location and access to the site**

- All discos will be held in the hall and will be supervised by school staff.
- Parents access the site via the Mitchell Walk gate (at the back of the school)
- Children need to line up with their adult by the hall doors and show their token to gain entry.
- Collection will be from the same place as drop off.

**Admission Cost**

**Ticket price is £5.00** and covers entrance, drink (Fruit Shoot), bag of crisps (Walkers) and 4 Glowsticks! **Tickets are now on sale via the Parentmail shop.**

A wristband will be given to the children attending on the day of the disco so they do not get lost. Please make sure your child brings the wristband with them to the disco to gain entry.

**Please note that there will no longer be the option to purchase additional drinks, crisps or glow bands on the night. Therefore, the children do not need to bring any additional money.**

**Water will be supplied to any child needing it.**

**NOTE - THERE ARE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ON THESE DATES (1st and 8th December).**

**Further information**

- **All children must be collected from school at 3.15pm as usual. Children who are not collected will not be allowed to attend the event and admission money will be refunded.**
- **ALL** children **including Year 6** must be collected at the end of the disco.
- Please collect your child promptly as we have only 15 minutes between each night's events.
- We strongly suggest that as your child enters the hall that you take their coat away with you and bring it back when you collect them (this way they don't get muddled with someone else's).
- Sorry- no parents can attend the discos. There is nowhere for parents to stay onsite whilst the Disco takes place - we suggest you leave the site once you have dropped off your child and return at the appropriate collection time (with their coat of course!).
- If your child is not in school or is sent home from school **ON THE DAY OF THE DISCO** - they will be unable to attend the Disco (even if they feel better later on during the day).
- Discos are **NO PHOTOGRAPHY** events (this includes mobile phones). Please note - Year 6 are not permitted to bring their mobile phones.
- This is a non-uniform event. Party/disco clothes are encouraged!
- There will be flashing lights and fairly loud music. If your child is sensitive to this, please do let your child's class teacher know.

**Nativities**



Details of all the nativities are below and we ask you to attend the performance for your child's class only due to the restriction on numbers at each performance. If there is a problem with this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

**Please note that there is a maximum number of 3 adults per child.**

These are photo events but please keep these for your family use and do not place any images or footage on social media.

All performances will be held in the Hall and access to this will be via the Mitchell Walk gate (back of the school). Sorry, no access via the main office.

Times	Wednesday 3rd December	Thursday 4th December
Gates open at 10.35pm Performance starts at 10.45pm	Nursery AM	Guppy 1

Gates open at 2:20pm Performance starts at 2:30pm	Nursery PM	Guppy 2
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We will have our charity bucket for donations at all performances with all proceeds going to Richard's House Children's Hospice in Beckton. Please note we are only able to accept cash donations.



**Friday 5th December** - send your child to school in non-uniform with a donation for our winter fair tombola (teddies, unused toiletries, unused gifts or gift sets).

### Governing Body - parent/carer session



The chair and members of our Governing Body held a 'parents meet the governor day' on Thursday 20th November from 3 -3.30pm in the school hall. Thank you to all our parents who popped in to meet one of the new governors and others who have expressed an interest in becoming a parent governor.

DIARY DATES - November				
Thurs 27th	2.15 – 2.45 4.30 – 5.00 (repeated)	4	Parent Meeting – Multiplication Screening. <b>Join Zoom Meeting:</b> <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87629238508?pwd=ZTlVbVA0cmdHYUN6cmJ3cGlzTW4xZz09">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87629238508?pwd=ZTlVbVA0cmdHYUN6cmJ3cGlzTW4xZz09</a>	YES
Thurs 27th	2.45 pm	4S	Year 4 Seahorse Sharing Assembly	YES

DECEMBER DATES			
Date	Event	Year Groups	Times
Monday 1st	Reception & KS1 Discos <i>(no photo event)</i>	Reception, Y1 & 2	3.45 - 4.45 (Reception) 5.00 - 6.00 (Years 1 & 2)
Wednesday 3rd	Nursery Nativity <i>(photo event)</i>	Nursery	Gates open - 10.35 & Starts - 10.45 (Nursery AM) Gates open - 2:20 & Starts - 2:30 (Nursery PM)
Thursday 4th	Reception Nativities <i>(photo event)</i>	Reception	Gates open - 10.35 & Starts - 10.45 (Guppy 1) Gates open - 2:20 & Starts - 2:30 (Guppy 2)

Friday 5th	Non uniform day	All	Bring a donation for the tombola
Monday 8th	KS2 Discos <i>(no photo event)</i>	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	3.45 - 5.00 (Years 3 & 4) 5.15 - 6.30 (Years 5 & 6)
Tuesday 9th	Santa Visit - Class (photo event)	All	Throughout the school day
During 8th - 12th	Christmas gifts go on sale to pupils	All	In school, at break time - from £2.
Wednesday 10th	Christmas dinner & winter jumper day	Reception to year 6	During the school day £1 donation for Save the Children
Monday 15th	Winter Fair	All	3.30 - 4.30 pm
Thursday 18th	Last day of nursery	Nursery	Normal finish times
Friday 19th	Last day - EARLY FINISH	Reception to Year 6	<b>1 pm finish for children.</b>

For further information regarding events taking place during December, please refer to the separate December events newsletter which was sent out to all parents and carers last week.

## Celebration Assembly

### House Winners (21st November 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: Ade Adepitan**

**Stars of the Week**

	Katherine Johnson	Malala Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1	Aleigha-Rae	Ayla	Enej	Kaysah	Rhoda
Guppy 2	Arifeen	Moutaseen	Tinatini	Amalia	Idris
Lionfish	Sara	Maneer	Lavinia	Daniel	Dylan
Clownfish	Liyana	Kristian	Humna	Valery	James
Jellyfish	Markas	Andrea V	Emma	Ayaan Ali	Tomasz
Starfish	Tajus	Raima	Iannis	Ema	James
Turtle	Ziyarah	Rada	Anastasiia	Bartholomew	Elise
Lobster	Jowain	Halle	Marnie	Joao	Zara
Octopus	Alex	Noah	Arham	Elsie	Ismaeel
Seahorse	Zoya K	Aariz	Hafsa	Patryk	Rueben
Stingray	Kevinas	Dawud	Emily	Adomas	Brittany
Dolphin	Anderson	Sofia	Robert	Chaslyn	Aida
Shark	Lucia	Fionel	Joel	Farwa	Jessica
Whale	David P	Amira	Daniel L	David O	Daniel M

### Work of the week

Year	Child	Context of work
1	Yahya	For his excellent report in History.
2	Mekai	For his amazing attempt at positional language within our maths lesson.
3	Marnie	For writing a descriptive paragraph using powerful adjectives.
4	Adam	For extremely insightful and thoughtful questioning in our reading discussion about segregation
5	Meta	For her outstanding interpretation of work by Keith Haring
6	Elizabeth	For her excellent writing in English

### Special Mentions

Who	Reason
Year 4 Octopus class	A big shoutout to our amazing Year 4 Octopus Class! Your assembly on Thursday was fantastic. You performed and danced so well, and everyone played a special part. Everyone is so proud and happy with how brilliantly you did. Well done!
Year 2	For their amazing behaviour on our school trip to the cinema today. You all behaved very well. We are so proud of you.

### Certificates

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Busker ( Under 9 seconds)	Lobster	Adam
TTRS Headliner (Under 4 seconds)	Turtle	Jana, Hayley
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	Turtle Lobster	Kayaan Filippos, Emma & Haris
TTRS Rock Legends (Under 2 seconds)	Lobster	Keyaan, Zara
Lexia	Stingray	Sonny - completing level 9
Pen License	Seahorse Lobster Dolphin Stingray	Hafsa Zara Aida Liliana

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- Sacred Heart of Mary's Upminster 9am - 4pm (22nd - 2nd Jan)
- Hallsville Primary School Newham - 9am - 3.30pm (22nd Dec - 2nd Jan)
- Hartley Primary School East Ham 9am - 3pm (22nd, 23rd Dec & 2nd Jan)
- Scott Wilkie Primary School Newham 9am - 3pm (22nd Dec - 2nd Jan)
- Marsh Green Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm (22nd Dec - 30th Dec)
- Roding Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm (22nd Dec - 30th Dec)
- Hunters Hall Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm (22nd Dec - 30th Dec)
- Godwin Primary School Dagenham 9am - 3pm (22nd Dec - 30th Dec)

Our 5\* Holiday Camps are the perfect place to keep your children entertained over the winter 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, Christmas crafts to gymnastics!

**Book now for lots of festive fun!**

**PLEASE BRING**

- Pack lunch
- Plenty of water
- Suitable clothing
- Loads of energy!



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