



# ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER 14 - 10th December 2025



Dear Parents & Carers,

Well done to all our Early Years children in Nursery and Reception who put on excellent nativity performances last week. A big thank you to all of the parents who attended and for your generous donations to our collection for one of the charities we support - Richard's House Hospice which is in our local community - we raised £71.72.

**KS2 disco** was well attended by our children from years 3 - 6. It was good to see the smiles on the children's faces, who were all so well dressed, sharing new dance steps with each other.

**Spring Term after-school clubs went live, for sale, on Monday 8th December at 7pm.** Please ensure you have applied for the clubs you would like your children to attend. Some clubs are already sold out while others have a few spaces left. Clubs will start on 12th of January 2026..

**Donations to our school:** A big thank you to one of our parent governors, Mr. Seaman who has supported our school with a donation of £500 made by the company he works for. This charitable donation is to be used to purchase more educational resources that are not normally provided for by the local authority. In this case we have purchased science based resource books to enable our children to learn more about scientists of the past and present, linked to their science units taught across KS1 - KS2.

We welcome more donations from our parents, please send an email to [info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk) expressing your interest in making a donation and further information will be sent to you

**Into-Film:** Many of our children watched and enjoyed various films at the O2 as mentioned last week. This was sponsored and provided by INTO-FILM who put film at the heart of children and young people's education, helping to support their academic, cultural, and social development.

**EWPS Santa Dash.** On Friday we hosted Children dressed up in their festive clothes and ran around the playground for 15 minutes whilst enjoying Christmas tunes! It was so lovely to see children enjoy being outside whilst being physically active. Please remember to try and stay active over the holiday period!



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

## General Information

### December Events

**December is a busy time in the school calendar. We still have a number of events taking place before the end of term. Please see reminders and details below.**

#### Christmas Dinner & Winter Jumper Day

Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 10th and all children will also be



given crackers (including if they are packed lunch). We are also continuing with our tradition of winter jumper day, where children can wear a festive jumper rather than school colours on this day. **We use this to raise money for Save the Children and so encourage a £1 donation, where possible, towards this worthwhile cause. This can be done via ParentMail or children can bring £1 cash on the day.**



### Christmas Cards

We are happy for children to bring in Christmas Cards for their friends which they can post in our school post box for delivery. Please make sure that when your child is addressing the envelopes, they put the child's name and class clearly on the front as it helps our year 6 'posties' make sure they get to the correct person! Thank you.

### Christmas gifts

Christmas gifts will be on sale to the children this week, at breaktime - if they would like to purchase a gift for a friend or family member. Prices from approx £1-£10. We can only accept cash.

### Winter Fair - Monday 15th December (3.30pm - 4.30pm)

There will be lots of fun things to do. Stalls will include: tombola, various food & drink, arts and crafts, games and lots more to celebrate the holidays!



- Open to EWPS families
- Hall, covered walkway and the studio
- Please note the only access gate open will be Mitchell Walk (back of the school)
- Children must be collected by an adult as normal at the end of the school day. **Year 6 parents - we will contact you separately.**
- Any child not collected will not be able to access the event.
- Once released from the class door, children are then under the supervision of the collecting adult, as all school staff will be involved in the running of the event.

### Cost

- No entry fee.
- Stalls and activities have a small charge. Food and drinks prices will vary.
- Please note **cash only** for stalls please, as we have no capacity for card payments for so many activities.

### How to help?

We need donations of the following items:

1. **Teddies and cuddly toys - new unwanted teddies or in good condition.**
2. **Unused toiletries**
3. **Unused gifts or gift sets.**

**Please bear in mind that we cannot accept any items other than what is listed above or any items that include Lithium-ion batteries following recent Fire Brigade Service advice.**

**Donations will be accepted from 24th November to Thursday 11th December**

## Educational Visits

On Monday 8th December, Year 1 were invited to the Ascension Church to take part in an interactive nativity performance. The children moved between different rooms and learnt about Mary and Joseph's role in the Nativity story, the journey of the Wise Men and Shepherds and how Christians celebrate Christmas in their own homes. It was very informative and supported the children's learning that is linked to their RE unit of 'How do Christians celebrate Christmas'. The children were very well behaved and had a lovely time.



Also on Monday 8th December, 20 children from our after school Art Club visited Maryland Primary School to explore their vibrant art exhibition in Stratford, themed around children's rights. Pupils had the opportunity to engage with a wide range of creative art projects displayed in their school, offering valuable insight into how art can be used to express important social messages.



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THE READING AGENCY Winter Mini Challenge

Newham London

# Winter Story Sprouts

Winter Mini Challenge  
1 December 2025 - 28 February 2026

The Winter Mini Challenge is here again in your local library, for children of all ages. Become a champion and collect rewards for your reading.

**WE ARE NEWHAM.**

## DECEMBER DIARY DATES

Date	Event	Year	Times
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
Thurs 18th	Last day of nursery	Nursery	Normal finish times
Friday 19th	Last day- EARLY FINISH	Rec - Y6	<b>1 pm finish for children.</b>

# Celebration Assembly

## House Winners (5th December 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 winner last week was: Michael Rosen! Congratulations!**

### Stars of the week

	Katherine Johnson	Malala Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1	Alexei	Elizabeth	Hafez	Liyanah	Yusuf Syed
Guppy 2	Emily	Codee	Kremena	Aiden	Bohdan
Lionfish	Jayden	Barjam	Aaliyah	Amara	Nuh
Clownfish	Dominic	Serai	Elizabeth	Leyla	David
Jellyfish	Ayaah	Alexandra	Marcu	Christiana	Noah
Starfish	Caua	Alex	Dragos	Raima	Khalid
Turtle	Justina	Sophia	Ahmad	Layla	Lucian
Lobster	Sofia	Nael	Yousuf	Keyaan	Ilinca
Octopus	Freddy	James	Noah	Alex	Ryan
Seahorse	Jake	Ibraheem	Samuel	Paula	Rose
Stingray	Sarah	Haris	Adomas	Liliana	Evelina
Dolphin	Mia	Safeerah	Oliver	Jibrail	Deborah
Shark	Cindy	Diana	Ester	Zain	Susany
Whale	Daniel M	Markas	Natalie	Muhammad	Montana

### Work of the week

Year	Child	Context of work
Rec	Adriana	For being loud and clear during the nativity and remembering her cue.
1	Beatrice	For writing a fantastic fact file about space with facts she had researched.

<b>2</b>	<b>Dragos</b>	For his fantastic writing in English. A wonderful vocabulary and all spelled perfectly.
<b>3</b>	<b>Ruby</b>	For writing a fantastic paragraph using powerful adjectives
<b>4</b>	<b>Jervanni</b>	For improving his handwriting.
<b>5</b>	<b>Harry</b>	For excellent questioning during Stranger Danger
<b>6</b>	<b>Milana</b>	For writing a well-structured letter using formal language and adverbials

### Special Mentions

Who	Reason
<b>Year 1</b>	For being exceptionally well behaved on our very long trip to the Science Museum. They were respectful to others and used their learning from class to answer questions about space. We were very proud of you! Miss Adams and Mrs Blaker.
<b>Eric and Zoe (Turtle class)</b>	For being great mini teachers and giving clear instructions to Lobster class on how to create an effective animation online.
<b>Hannah and her team of School Ambassadors</b>	You've done a great job of looking after the Guppies at lunchtime- Mr O'Dowd & Ms Osobu.
<b>Guppy 1 &amp; Guppy 2</b>	For putting on wonderful nativity performances for your parents! Mr O'Dowd & Ms Osobu
<b>Basketball Competition children.</b>	For their amazing sportsmanship and dedication toward their basketball competition. They came 1st!

### Certificates

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Wannabe (Over 10 seconds)	Turtle	Irene
TTRS Gigger (Under 8 seconds)	Lobster	Daniel
TTRS Breakthrough Artist (Under 6 seconds)	Turtle	Louisa
TTRS Support Act (Under 5 seconds)	Seahorse	Dominik
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	Lobster	Emma
Lexia	Turtle Seahorse  Stingray	Sofia Level 7 Samuel Level 12 Musa Level 8 Dennis Level 9 Zaki Level 8 Adam Level 10 Kevinas Level 9
Pen License	Shark  Lobster Seahorse	Susany Denitsa Kayla Lohith

## Community, Wellbeing and Support



Our Newham: 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](http://www.newham.gov.uk/ournewham) or come and visit us at 112-118 The Grove, E15 1NS

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★★★★★  
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## Premier Camps Near You Multi Activity Camps

- 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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**Newham Parent Forum would like to know what areas our families would like us to cover over the next 6 months**

<http://www.newhamparentforum.co.uk>

Keep a look out for our wellbeing events

St Marks Community Centre,  
Room 12, 218 Tollgate Road, Beckton  
E6 5YA

Tel:07495021062

**Email:**  
info@newhamparentforum.co.uk

**Facebook:** Newham Parents Forum

**Twitter (X):**  
@NPF\_SEND\_Parent

**Tuesday, 16th December 2025**

**Call us on 07495021062**

## **Newham Parent Carer Forum**

We would like to invite you to our upcoming Hybrid **Coffee Morning** on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**From 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**LOCATION 1 – Face to face**  
**St . Mark Community Centre, E65YA**  
**208, Tollgate Road, Beckton, E6 5YA**

**LOCATION 2 – ZOOM**  
**Meeting ID: 831 8356 0786**  
**Passcode: 795436**

**Topic :**

**Introduction of**  
**Lorna – interim head of SEND**  
**Victoria – SEND Statutory Support and Partnerships Service Manager**  
**Refreshments and raffles for in person only.**

**Thank You.**