



## ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NEWSLETTER 39 - 15th July 2026



Dear Parents & Carers,

This is the final newsletter of the year and what a successful year it has been.

We would like to recognise 22 children across the school who have achieved 100% attendance this year. Well done! These children will be acknowledged during our final assembly of the academic year. Please remember, as we enter into the 2026-27 academic year, we must all try our best to be in school: **"Everyday and on time!"**

#### **End of 2025/2026 year**

A reminder that the last day of Nursery is tomorrow, 16th July - normal finish times. The last day for Reception - Year 6 is Friday 17th, with an early finish time of 1pm

#### **Start of 2026/2027 year**

**Years 1 to 6:** their first day back is Thursday 3rd September, 2026. Nursery and Reception parents have been emailed separately about their start dates. Term dates are attached to this newsletter and are also available on the school website.

#### **Goodbye**



We are sorry to say goodbye to Mr Batinul Islam who has worked with us as a classroom teacher for seven years. We say thank you for the time spent in our school community. I am sure you all join us at EWPS to wish him all the best for the future

Wishing all our EWPS families a wonderful summer break. Stay safe and we look forward to having you all back in September 2026.

Best wishes

**Mrs J. Owen-Amadasun (Headteacher)**

### **General Information**

**The summer holidays are nearly here, and you and your children most definitely deserve a break!** 

However, if you can do a little bit of Maths practice over the holidays, it will be much easier for them to start the next school year feeling confident in maths.

Children in Years 2-6 have Summer maths packs, which have been uploaded onto their Google classroom. Children across the school can also continue to access Times Tables Rock Stars and Freckle over the Summer break.



**The Summer Reading Challenge is back at Newham libraries.**

**This year's theme is Read to the Beat. Children aged 4–11 can join for free and enjoy a summer full of reading, creativity and fun.**

By taking part, your child can read books and discover new favourites, collect rewards as they read, enjoy free activities inspired by music and rhythm, meet other young readers and make new friends. Join the Read to the Beat launch events, featuring stories, crafts, games and family-friendly activities.

**Click on the link of your Newham Library to find out what's on:**

[Beckton Globe Library](#); [Canning Town Library](#); [Custom House Library](#); [East Ham Library](#); [Forest Gate Library](#); [Green Street Library](#); [Manor Park Library](#); [North Woolwich Library](#); [Plaistow Library](#); [Stratford Library](#)

## Celebration Assembly

### Special Mentions

| Who    | Reason                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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### House Winners (10th July 2026)



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 winners last week were: Red House - Ade Adepitan**



**The overall house winner will be announced in tomorrow's celebration assembly.  
Children from the winning house will enjoy a session at the park this week, with ice-lollies too!**

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### Stars of the Week

|                  | <b><u>KATHERINE<br/>JOHNSON</u><br/>INSPIRE</b>                                                                      | <b><u>MALALAH<br/>YOUSAFZAI</u><br/>RESPECT</b>                             | <b><u>MICHAEL<br/>ROSEN</u><br/>SUCCESSFUL</b>            | <b><u>ADE ADEPITAN</u><br/>RESILIENT</b>                                      | <b><u>MARCUS<br/>RASHFORD</u><br/>HEARD AND CARED<br/>FOR</b>                       |
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| <b>Guppy 1</b>   | Hudson: for trying his best in phonics                                                                               | Karel: Who is trying hard to be more polite                                 | Aleigha Rae: is working hard to improve her writing.      | Fayha: who kept going with Animaphonics this week.                            | Makai: For looking out for other members of his class.                              |
| <b>Guppy 2</b>   | Astera: for consistently producing good work.                                                                        | Aidenas: for continuing to develop resilience in writing.                   | Tinatini: for working hard in her writing.                | Kylah: for great improvement in her writing.                                  | Albert: for trying hard in his phonics.                                             |
| <b>Lionfish</b>  | Daniel: for excellent listening.                                                                                     | Dylan: for always showing excellent manners.                                | Manha: for imaginative writing in English.                | Yahya: for challenging himself in Maths.                                      | Ilinca: for caring for the younger children.                                        |
| <b>Clownfish</b> | Kristian: for arriving each morning and telling the children confidently the full date and what the weather is like. | Konstantin: for trying his best in his writing this week to create a story. | Idris: for writing a creative story this week in English. | Liyana: for having an excellent attitude to her writing this week in English. | Leyla: for helping the children on her table this week with great ideas in writing. |
| <b>Jellyfish</b> | Emma: for always being a role model in the class.                                                                    | Tomasz: for always remembering his manners.                                 | Bailey: for his effort with place value games.            | Aayat: for her amazing effort when being a mini teacher.                      | Andrea S: for asking about her peers when they have been absent.                    |
| <b>Starfish</b>  | Reggie: for always being on task and willing to help his friends.                                                    | Zaara: for her excellent manners at all times.                              | Riccardo: for his excellent report writing.               | Jokubas: for working so hard in English this week.                            | Holly: for being a fantastic partner to her buddy during the learning fair.         |
| <b>Turtle</b>    | Rada for sharing great ideas during discussions.                                                                     | Fisola for always following the school rules.                               | Bartholomew for improving his mental maths skills.        | Elia for working hard on learning new spelling patterns.                      | Lucian for always listening and working well in a team.                             |
| <b>Lobster</b>   | Keya: For being extremely helpful in the learning fair                                                               | Keyaan: For being an amazing mini teacher this week.                        | Halle: For always trying to do the right thing.           | Zahra M: For consistently tring hard to improve her handwriting.              | Marmie: For always caring for her classmates.                                       |

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| <b>Seahorse</b> | Layla- Being a brilliant role model!                                              | Aariz- Being extra helpful this week and making an effort to support the class.         | Adam- giving wonderful ideas in English.                                       | Dominik- Working hard on improving his handwriting this week. | Zoya A- Taking care of the younger children during the Learning Fair.      |
| <b>Octopus</b>  | Jervani: for being a great team player and role model in the learning fair.       | Elsi: for always being ready to learn.                                                  | Aisha: for a very emotive and empathetic letter in English.                    | Noah: for persevering in time lessons in maths.               | Liliana: for helping Guppy children in the Learning Fair.                  |
| <b>Stingray</b> | Shannon: for always being fully engaged in lessons and a role model to her peers. | Reece: for contributing well to Maths discussions and listening respectfully to others. | Darius: for inspiring the class with his expressive and fluent reading.        | Ayaan: for successfully settling into the class.              | Dawud: for always volunteering and supporting with tasks around the class. |
| <b>Dolphin</b>  | Robert: for always putting himself forward and trying new things.                 | Alisha: for always trying to do the right thing and treating everybody kindly.          | Frankie: for writing an engaging three part script despite missing one lesson. | Spencer: for trying his best to do well in all subjects.      | Helen: for always helping create a neat and tidy classroom environment     |
| <b>Shark</b>    | Joel: for showing confidence and commitment during production.                    | Samarah: for always treating everyone with kindness.                                    | Zain: for demonstrating excellent knowledge in circuit design.                 | Aroush: for showing determination in practising her dance.    | Antonio: for helping and encouraging others throughout the production.     |
| <b>Whale</b>    | Rexhep: for his excellent acting skills that encouraged others.                   | Muhammad: for his conduct around the school and with his peers.                         | Daniel L: for successfully acting out his part as Melman                       | Abraham: for working hard to learn all of his dance routines. | Blake: for listening to advice to help him in the production               |

### Work of the week

| Yr       | Child           | Context of work                                                                                                |
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| <b>R</b> | <b>Victoria</b> | Coming up with good sentences in writing.                                                                      |
| <b>1</b> | <b>Lucas</b>    | For improving his handwriting and presentation across all books!                                               |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Andrea</b>   | For her spectacular factual report about trees.                                                                |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Hayley</b>   | For speaking confidently and sharing some interesting facts about some fossils she had collected at the beach. |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Hafsa</b>    | Creating a really interesting game on Scratch for computing                                                    |

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| 5 | <b>Areeb</b> | For using his knowledge of literary devices to help his peers edit their work. |
| 6 | <b>Ayden</b> | For bringing his character to life through excellent acting.                   |

## Community, Wellbeing and Support



### **How to stay healthy and hydrated in the heatwave**

We all know the change in temperature can affect our eating habits. But you can eat healthily during a heatwave by taking a few simple steps. To stay hydrated, we should aim to drink 6-8 glasses of water (around 1.5-2 litres) and eat fruit and vegetables with a high water content, including cucumbers, tomatoes, watermelon, celery and strawberries - frozen fruits are cheaper and just as nutritious.

[You can read the Eat Well Newham tips for healthy eating here >](#)  
[Watch our Public Health team talking through the campaign on air >](#)



### **Pick up a racket and give tennis a go right here in Newham!**

Whether you've been watching the world's best players compete at Wimbledon or you're looking for a fun way to get active this summer, why not join one of the **FREE** Newham Parks Tennis Open Days?

Open Play sessions are available for all abilities, including those who have never played tennis before. All equipment is provided and there are family fun and coaching taster sessions for children and adults

**Royal Victoria Gardens, E16 2FH, Saturday 25 July from 3:00pm – 6:00pm**

**Plashet Park, E6 1DQ, Sunday 9 August from 9:00am – 12:00pm**

[Book your place with Newham Parks Tennis >](#)



**CAMHS Wellbeing in Newham Schools (WINS) are pleased to invite families to Families in Bloom, a free strengths-based workshop delivered by the WINS Team during the summer holidays.**

#### **Who is it for?**

Families with children aged 6–11 years living or attending school in Newham who may benefit from an opportunity to strengthen relationships, build on family strengths, and connect with others in a supportive environment.

#### **Workshop dates (families attend one week only):**

- Week 1: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August & Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August, 11:00am - 12:30pm
- Week 2: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 11:00am - 12:30pm

Families are asked to attend both sessions within their chosen week.

Please see the flyer and information sheet attached to the newsletter. If you are interested, please sign up using the link below.

[Families In Bloom: Sign Up Form – Fill out form](#)



## Stay safe around water in Newham

Keep yourself and others safe:

-  Stay away from the edge of rivers, docks and canals.
-  Do not enter the water to get lost objects.
-  Water can be very cold, even on a hot day.
-  Water can get deep very quickly.
-  If someone is in trouble, call 999.  
Do not go into the water to help them.

Learn to swim safely at Newham's leisure centres.

Scan the QR code for more information.

For more information visit  
[newham.gov.uk/SummerWellness](https://newham.gov.uk/SummerWellness)

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# WATER SAFETY EVENT

COME JOIN LONDON FIRE BRIGADE

 **ON 18TH JULY**  
 **11:00 – 16:00**  
 **BASIN APPROACH, BECKTON, LONDON, E16 2GX**

 We will be giving water safety advice and allowing you to have a go with some of our equipment

 FUN + EDUCATIONAL FOR ALL AGES



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LAS HART SPECIALIST MEDICAL SUPPORT



METROPOLITAN POLICE MARINE POLICING UNIT



WATER SAFETY ADVICE



SEE OUR EQUIPMENT UP CLOSE



MEET YOUR LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS



HAVE A GO WITH OUR WATER RESCUE GEAR

**FOLLOW US**  


**WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP YOU SAFE**  


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[london-fire.gov.uk](https://london-fire.gov.uk)