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EWPS Newsletter 11 - 25th November 2026

Dear parents and carers,

On Monday 16/11/2026 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	Miniteachers teaching seasons, self portraits, fact versus fiction
Year 2	Science food chains, art shade and tint, fractions in maths
Year 3	RE Diwali celebration of light, food from different countries linked to maps
Year 4	Music- children show how to play the ukulele and identifying flags of the world
Year 5	Sorting of materials, computer design of bridges, rainforest animals
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 and at Ilford. It was a very enjoyable experience for all classes who attended.

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 30th November and 7th December More details can be found further on in this newsletter. We look forward to seeing the Reception, years 3 & 4 children next Monday.

Multiplication Tables

Our maths lead Mr Hanif met with Year 4 parents on 24/11/2026, regarding the DfE Multiplication Tables Check which all Year 4 pupils across the country are required to take, in June. The session explained what the check involves and how best to support your child with their times table knowledge at home.

Kind regards,

Mrs Owen-Amadasun
Headteacher

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General Information

Healthy food policy and packed lunches



A reminder to please familiarise yourself with our school's updated Food and Healthy Eating policy, which makes clear our stance on birthday treats and packed lunch expectations, as we have had enquiries regarding this.
If your child does have dietary requirements or needs which means they need to bring in foods which are not in line with the school's policy, please speak to Ms Paul or your child's class teacher so that we are aware and can offer our support.

Our food and healthy eating policy can be found on our website, here:
https://www.ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2964&type=pdf

Healthy packed lunch ideas can be found here:
https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/

Gates information

A gentle reminder regarding Children's access to school in the mornings **8:45am - 8:50am**

Nursery	Main school reception gate
Reception	Tollgate Road Little Ellies entrance
Year 1, 2, 5 & 6	Mitchell Walk gate
Year 3 & 4	Dove Approach

Please use the gate required for your youngest child when entering the school in the mornings.

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Celebration Assembly

House Winners - Friday 20th November 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 with the most stars at the end of the year gets an afternoon at the park with ice lollies too!



House winners for the past two weeks: Marcus Rashford Blue House

Stars of the Week

★	Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
	Inspire	**Respect**	**Successful**	**Resilient**	**Heard & Cared For**
G1	Noah - for doing really well with his number bonds to 10.	Sulayman - for always listening on the carpet.	Alex - for successfully writing his numbers to 5.	Amelia S - for her resilience with starting a new school.	Larni - for being a kind friend to a new member of EWPS.
G2	Omer - for always taking part in phonics and reading	Andriana - for singing very beautifully during nativity practice	Kristiana - for working hard during phonics	Nella - for always being helpful and kind	Karina - for beautiful handwriting and presentation
1L	Eliza - for always challenging herself in Phonics.	Arisha - for always showing good manners and respect to others.	Charles - for his hard work in his new Phonics group.	Kylah - for working hard in all subjects this week.	Ridah - for helping her friends in Maths this week.
1C	Victoria - for always striving to reach the challenge in every lesson	Kaysah - for always listening and showing good manners	Isabella - for engaging in lessons and working independently	Aleigha-Rae - for not letting little things bother or stop her from trying her best	Yusuf - for being a good friend to others
2J	Serai-Rosalee - for sharing great	Sael - for always showing respect towards others.	Beatrice - for a creative narrative plan in English.	Patricia - for working hard in Maths.	Adam - for directing his team in the learning fair.

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	ideas in our Science lesson.				
2S	Marcus - for his thought inspiring questions during class discussion.	Jayden - for following instructions so beautifully this week.	Muneer - for completing his writing independently.	Sara - for working so hard to complete her writing without a plan.	Leon - for always lending a helping hand.
3T	Evelyne - for drawing a Christingle and explaining its meaning in RE.	Andrea.S - for trying hard to add and subtract mass.	Ayaah - for writing interesting sentences using the conjunction 'but'.	Joniah - for being able to follow instructions straight away.	Ayaan - for always being helpful around the class.
3L	Eva - for always asking questions about her work to ensure that it is the best it can be.	Holly - for always following instructions straight away and respecting everyone.	Damian - for staying focused and successfully applying his knowledge about time to his maths work.	Ema - for trying her hardest in all of her lessons to make her work the best.	James - for supporting others to make the right choices.
4O	Kayla - for picking up so many lines in the assembly this week!	Bliss - for always making the right choices.	D'or - for putting her hand up and answering questions in class.	Avery - for tackling tricky questions well.	Safeeya - for always being a helpful member of the class.
4S	Fisola - for asking some really thoughtful questions on our trip to the Hindu temple.	Elia - for coming to school with a smile and always greeting the adults.	Zara - for working hard in Maths to tell the time using an analogue and digital clock.	Tilly - for trying her best when working with an adult or independently.	Ziyarah - for sharing her ideas with the class and her learning partner.
5S	Patryk - for writing a multi clause diary entry.	Cecilia - for showing respect and kindness to children across the school.	Dennis - for staying focused and successful translating shapes in Maths.	Jake - for continuing to work hard on punctuation within his writing.	Ayana - for sharing her ideas with a peer.
5D	David is always ready to have a go at everything and is usually smiling as he does.	Freddy - for always being polite.	Noah has written a good description of a camp in English.	Afolabi tried so hard translating shapes in Maths.	Jervanni - for listening to and organising people on his table.

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6S	Robert - for inspiring and encouraging students during the learning fair.	Emily - for always showing respect and kindness.	Dawud - for successfully applying his knowledge of angles in triangles and quadrilaterals.	Daria - for trying hard to punctuate her writing in her English report.	Harry - for always supporting his partner and offering help when needed.
6W	Deborah - for always willing to contribute in lessons.	Mia - for being an excellent role model to all.l	Anderson - for using sentence stems to write his own paragraphs in English.	Sakibur - for improving his English writing.	Victoria - for asking important questions in lessons which also support her peers.

Work of the week

Year	Child	Context of work
R	**Victor**	For his amazing work with his number bonds to 10.
1	**Diyana**	For an interesting and detailed report on how the world has changed, in History.
2	**Beatrice**	For excellent writing skills in English.
3	**Zaara**	For writing interesting inferences about who might live in a mysterious house.
4	**Emma**	For brilliant work in converting between different time measures!
5	**Ibraheem**	For continuing to improve his handwriting.
6	**Aida**	For identifying features of a waist coat and sharing her opinions about the purpose of a waistcoat.

Special Mentions

Who	Reason
Seahorse class	For an amazing class assembly that showcased all their wonderful learning from Quarter 1!

Certificates

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Breakthrough Artist (Under 6 seconds)	**Turtle**	**Emma**
TTRS Support Act (Under 5 seconds)	**Turtle**	**Aayat**

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TTRS Headliner (Under 4 seconds)	**Turtle** **Lobster**	**Christiana** **Eva**
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	**Lobster**	**Caua**
TTRS Rock Legends (Under 2 seconds)	**Lobster**	**Victoria**
Lexia	**Jellyfish** **Dolphin**	**Konstantin Level 1** **Darius Level 13**

Community, Wellbeing and Support



Join Cody Dock for a festive afternoon of free family activities, workshops, live music, local school choirs and a makers' market.
This year's event will also feature lanterns created through the River of Light project, culminating in a community lantern procession and the official switch-on of the spectacular waterfront light exhibition.
All young people are welcome to take part in the procession.

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You can sign up to the event here: Frost Fair 2026

Celebrate Christmas across Newham's community neighbourhoods

Join us across Newham this festive season as we celebrate the return of our Christmas lights switch-ons. From Stratford and West Ham to East Ham, Beckton and beyond, our neighbourhoods will be coming together to welcome Christmas with live music, performances from local schools and community choirs, festive activities and plenty of Christmas cheer.



Bring your family, friends and neighbours and come along to your local celebration. It's a great opportunity to support your community, meet others and enjoy the festive spirit on your doorstep.

Dress to impress this Christmas! Whether it's your favourite Christmas jumper, a Santa hat, something sparkly or festive fancy dress, we'd love to see your Christmas style. Some of our favourite festive outfits may even feature on Newham Council's social media channels, so get creative and show us what you've got!

Find your local Christmas lights switch-on and event details >



Everyone knows that 20 is plenty

Helping to mark Road Safety Week 2026, we're urging drivers to stick to 20mph to keep Newham's streets safer. Driving at 20mph helps protect children, families and neighbours from serious injury or death. It also gives drivers more time to react and helps reduce road collisions. Let's work together to make Newham's roads safer for all.

Have you spotted the new 20mph signs in your area yet?



Join a Family Fun Day and Learn How to Save Money, Eat Well and Waste Less!

Want to save money on food, make healthier choices and waste less? Join us at Ambition, Aspire, Achieve's Family Fun Day for a fun afternoon of activities and practical tips for the whole family!

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Our food waste recycling team will be there to show you how to recycle your food waste and give it a new future as renewable energy and fertiliser.
With support from Nutrition Kitchen, you can also learn simple ways to make the most of your food, reduce waste and prepare healthy snacks.
There'll also be plenty of family fun, including: sports, arts and crafts, adventure play and outdoor games!
When: Sunday 29 November, 12.30pm–3pm
Where: Glyn Hopkin Abbey Hub, 6 Gay Road, Stratford E15 2RN.

NEWHAM PARENT FORUM
Empowering Parents and Influencing Services

As the year draws to a close, we would love to invite you to the Newham Parent Carer Forum End-of-Year Celebration!
Join us for a relaxed, friendly get-together to celebrate our community and hear an exclusive reveal of our exciting plans for 2027.

What to expect:
A sneak peek at 2027: Find out what we have planned for the year ahead and how we'll continue to be the voice for local families.
Chat with the team: Our Chair and Vice Chairs will be on hand to listen, answer questions, and hear your thoughts.
Connect with others: A great chance to unwind and meet fellow parent carers in Newham.
Refreshments: Plenty of tea, coffee, biscuits, and tasty snacks!
We will be at: St . Mark Community Centre 208, Tollgate Road, Beckton, E6 5YA - **9.45-12pm**