

★★ Dates for your Diary ★★

Autumn Term 2016

School term: Monday 5th September 2016 to Friday 21st October 2016

Eid-ul-Adha: Monday 12th September 2016 (SCHOOL CLOSED)

Half term: Monday 24th October 2016 to Friday 28th October 2016

School term: Monday 31st October 2016 to Tuesday 20th December 2016

Guru Nanak's Birthday: Monday 14th November 2016
(SCHOOL CLOSED)

Christmas break: Wednesday 21st December 2016
to Tuesday 3rd January 2017

School re-opens on Wednesday 4th January 2017

Spring Term 2017

School term: Wednesday 4th January 2017 to Friday 10th February 2017

Half term: Monday 13th February 2017 to Friday 17th February 2017

School term: Monday 20th February 2017 to Friday 31st March 2017

Spring break: Monday 3rd April 2017 to Monday 17th April 2017
Good Friday and Easter Monday fall within the spring break

Summer Term 2017

School term: Tuesday 18th April 2017 to Friday 26th May 2017

May Day: Monday 1st May 2017 (SCHOOL CLOSED)

Half term: Monday 29th May 2017 to Friday 2nd June 2017

School term: Tuesday 5th June 2017 to Friday 21st July 2017

INSET: Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th July 2017 (SCHOOL
CLOSED)

Summer break: Thursday 27th July 2017 to Friday 1st September 2017



All school dates and events are on the school website:

www.essex.newham.sch.uk



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Newsletter September 2016

Every Child Matters

Everyone valued, everyone challenged,
everyone achieving

Attendance and Punctuality

Lessons start promptly. Please make sure your child is outside their classroom by 8:50 a.m. (if they are in EYFS/KS1), and at the KS2 gates (if they are in KS2) - this guarantees your child arrives on time. School gates close at 9 o'clock. All children who arrive late for school receive a late mark. The school will take action if children are continually late or fail to attend school, which may result in a visit from the Education Welfare Officer (EWO).

If you know your child will not be in school, please call to inform the school on 020 8472 0322 as soon as possible. No permission will be given for absence from school during term time.

Parents Evening

Tuesday 11th October or Wednesday 12th October

You will receive your appointment for parents evening on Tuesday 4th October. If you are unable to attend please ensure that you speak to your child's teacher to arrange an alternative date and time.

Secondary School Application

Secondary School Applications must be completed on line by Monday 31st October 2016. Once you have completed the application form please let your child's class teacher know the reference number you were given.

If you need help completing the on-line form please come to the school main office and we will be happy to help.

Book Fair

Our school will have a 'Book fair' in the KS1 Hall starting from Thursday 6th October to Wednesday 12th October. It is open after school from 3:15 pm to 3.45pm daily, except 11th and 12th October. On these two days the book fair will be open until 5.15pm.

The book fair will have books and small items such as rubbers, pens etc. Please visit to browse through the books with your children, even if you do not intend to buy anything. Part of the proceeds will go to the school and the school uses this money to buy books for classrooms.

Lost Property

If you believe you have lost any valuables on the school site please come to the school's main office with a description of the item and we will check our lost property.

There will be a lost property table on both parents evenings on the 11th and 12th October 2016, any lost property left will be disposed .

Things to Remember

Food and Water — The only food or drink allowed at school is water in a plastic bottle or flask (in class) and a healthy snack for lunch if your child is bringing a packed lunch. Please provide your child with their own water bottle labelled with their name. This is inline with the schools healthy eating campaign.

Pushchairs — For Health and Safety reasons all pushchairs should be left outside the main building, where possible under the canopy.

Chewing Gum — Chewing gum is not permitted in school.

Jewellery — For Health and Safety reasons do not allow your child to wear earrings, necklaces, bracelets or rings to school - this is our school policy.

Birthday Cakes - Children are not allowed to bring birthday cake into school

Year 5 Fairplay House Trip

On the week beginning 19th September, 48 Year 5 students had the opportunity to go to FairPlay House The lucky Year 5s had the added adventure of staying on a barge! The barge is moored at Heybridge Basin and has been owned by Newham and FairPlay House since 1980.

On arrival we explored the barge and were assigned our cabins and duty groups. Our first activity was canoeing. This was a great start to the educational visit as we got to complete this activity as a whole group. We worked together to complete challenges. Our communication skills and upper body strength were really tested! After drying off (it got very splashy!) we embarked on a night walk around the estuary. The second day included facing our fears on the high ropes and target practice, with instructor Martin, on the archery course.



To draw our stay at the barge to a close, we divided into four teams to compete the tricky orienteering course. There could only be one winning team but, as we packed up to go home after a wonderful few days, we all felt like winners.

School Library

All library books should be carried to and from school in a book bag to help prevent them from being damaged or lost. The school charges a fee of £5.00 for each book that is lost or damaged.

School bags are available from Ian Howard School Wear who will be in school on both parent evenings.

