



World Book Day

On the Thursday 1st March 2017 the Children of Essex Primary celebrated World Book Day. Children came to school dressed as their favourite book character.

Book Fair

Our school will have a 'Book Fair' in the KS1 Hall starting from Thursday 8th March through to Wednesday 14th March. It will be open after school from 3:15– 4:00 pm daily except AR Day (9th March). On this day the Book Fair will open from 8:30 am to 5:15 pm where you can visit at any time during these times with your children. They will be selling books and small items such as rubbers, pens etc.



★★ Holiday Dates ★★

Spring Term 2018

School term: Monday 19th February 2018 to Thursday 29th March 2018

Spring break: Friday 30th March 2018 to Friday 13th April 2018

Good Friday and Easter Monday fall within the spring break

Summer Term 2018

School term: Monday 16th April 2018 to Friday 25th May 2018

May Day: Monday 7th May 2018 (**SCHOOL CLOSED**)

Half term: Monday 28th May 2018 to Friday 1st June 2018

School term: Monday 4th June 2018 to Friday 20th July 2018

Eid-UI-Fitr: (To be confirmed)

INSET: Monday 23rd July to Wednesday 25th July 2018 (**SCHOOL CLOSED**)

Summer break: Thursday 26th July 2018 to Friday 31st August 2018

Autumn Term 2018 Start Date

INSET: Monday 3rd September 2018 (**SCHOOL CLOSED for CHILDREN**)

SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR CHILDREN Tuesday 4th September 2018 at 8:45 am



All school dates and events are on the school website: www.essex.newham.sch.uk

Lost Property — All Day on AR Day

Lost Property will be open ALL DAY on Friday 9th March in the KS1 Hall. Anything not claimed will be disposed of.



Essex Primary School

Newsletter February 2018

Everyone valued, everyone challenged,
everyone achieving

Academic Review Day (AR Day)

Friday 9th March 2018

All parents have been given an appointment. Please contact the class teacher if you are unsure of the time. Please note that your child must attend the appointment with you, otherwise they will be marked absent on the register.

Exciting News

School to launch School Ping

Exciting News—Essex Primary School will be launching its new school App called School Ping next term. This will allow the school to send any messages, newsletters, letters, and permission slips for all education visit to parents through the school App.

Further details of School Ping will be shared with parents at parents meeting on Friday 16th March — 9 am.

In order to use the App please ensure you have an email address as you will be asked to enter your email address to verify your account.

We look forward to working with our parents as we move towards using School Ping to communicate all news with parents. We hope you enjoy using School Ping.

Latest news and school dates and events are on the school website:
www.essex.newham.sch.uk

Essex Primary — Young Scientists competition

Who Killed Snow White?

On Wednesday, 21st February 2018 four year 6 scientists took part in a inspirational Young Scientists Competition at Forest School involving over 20 schools. We took part in a series of investigations, one of which was finding out who poisoned Snow White. The task was challenging as we had to separate chemicals to find specific elements and compounds. The culprit was the character who had all the ingredients to make the poisonous pie. We were surprised to find that Happy is not the kind of person we see in the fairytale!

We conducted a number of other tasks including an electricity problem solving investigation where the faulty component needed to be identified. We also made our own switch which was tested with a burglar alarm. The last task was to find the names of various fictitious creatures called Reebots. Children used a dichotomous key to sort according to appearance.

Finally we were entertained with a science display involving lots of pops and bangs! We saw what happened when hydrogen is ignited and how a redox reaction works causes two colourless liquids to create a mirror in a flask.

All thanks to Mrs Mojzes for letting us go and to Ms. Musa for helping to prepare us for the event.

Written by: Aran, Raadiyah, Salimah and Abu with Mrs Zylstra the typist!

Essex Primary — Debating competition

Children in year 5 and 6 are currently taking part in a debating competition. The first round of the competition was held on 7th February 2018. Ten children from Essex Primary took part where they debated with children from local schools. The children won one round and lost one round. The children were given 15 minutes to prepare for a motion. They worked collaboratively together as a team and supported one another. The children all spoke confidently, articulated their point clearly and provided reasoning for their points. They were great ambassadors for the school and we thoroughly enjoyed watching them debate.

Thank you to everybody who constantly challenge children and get them to think deeper.

Resource Provision Children go shopping to East Ham



The children from our Resourced Provision visit a local Supermarket as part of their community access and Life Skills learning. The children are supported by their adults to buy items on a shopping list so that they can use the ingredients in their Cooking sessions.

The children get to experience the local community and travel using public transport. They have grown in confidence and understanding of how to shop as well as beginning to be accustomed with exchanging money for goods.

The shopping visits have helped the children to remain calm and regulated when on other educational visits as well as when with family members.



Year 1 Church Visit

On Friday 2nd February, Year 1 went to visit St. Mary's church in Manor Park. In RE, Year 1 has been learning about Christianity, linking to the Religious Education curriculum. The children learnt that Christians worship in churches. During this visit, the children were able to develop their questioning skills as they began to explore Christianity. The children were able to develop their British values by building tolerance for other faiths and beliefs.

The visit reflected on their prior learning which the children used to write a recount about their visit



Singing Rehearsal at the Guard's Chapel

Last Tuesday four children, from Year 6, attended the Commonwealth Singing Rehearsal at the Guard's Chapel. This was a fantastic opportunity for our children to perform with other Newham schools, supported by the awesome Coldstream Guards' Military Band. The experience was magical and the children's voices were angelic! This rehearsal was in preparation for a future recording and the formation of the 2018 Commonwealth CD; a worthy purchase!