

Attendance, Attention and Achievement

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 28th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 3 Refugee Week performance

In celebration of Refugee Week, the year 3 pupils put on an amazing musical performance for staff, pupils, parents and all stakeholders. The performance highlighted the plight of children across the world who have no place to call home and no place where they can feel safe and secure. It was also a call to action for all members of our community to do all they can to help end the suffering. Following a series of lessons where pupils learned about the issues facing refugees in key countries around the world, pupils wrote descriptive poems to communicate the issues faced by refugees in their given country to the audience. They also co-wrote a song with musical artist Gwyneth Herbert, which showed how we all need to move from thinking only of ourselves and our own superficial needs to considering everyone who lives on our planet and doing our best to help those in need. Pupils practised hard to give their best performance ever, and hopefully have left an indelible mark on those that experienced it.



Year 2 Bow Arts Workshop



Crocodile and Gecko classes had a wonderful day with Bow Arts. They were all focusing on Surrealism based specifically on Rene Magritte. Using black cartridge paper, in pairs they used torches to produce silhouettes. Pupils drew and cut out silhouettes of their faces. They then cut around the faces and placed them on sheets of white paper. They filled out the white background with lots of fun and spectacular images. It was lots of fun and they produced amazing work. Well done to them all!



Debate Mate



On Thursday, 6 pupils from the Debate Mate club attended the final round of the competition for the East London League after previous rounds throughout the year. Pupils did a fantastic job, winning their morning debates and representing the school excellently. They spoke confidently and clearly, emphasising their arguments for/against the motion and articulated themselves well. We are now awaiting the rankings list to find out where Essex Primary finished on the leaderboard! Well done, year 6!

Year 5 Visit to the Royal Observatory, Greenwich

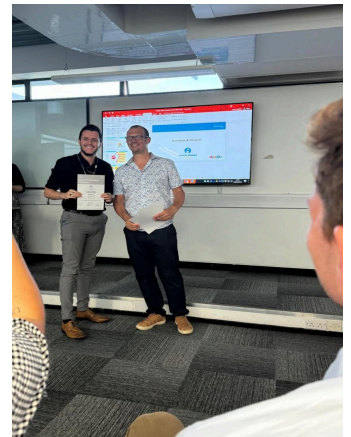
To consolidate their learning of Earth and Space, year 5 visited the Royal Observatory in Greenwich 'to boldly go where no man has gone before' into the origins of the solar system, before flying to each of the planets to learn about how they were formed. They learned that the sun was formed by the collapse of a dense molecular cloud about 4.6 billion years ago; then, when and how each of the planets were formed thereafter. Did you know that our solar system extends far beyond the fringes of the Kuiper Belt to the Oort Cloud which is thought to surround our universe? Some of our pupils did! Our astronomer guide was super impressed by this, along with how much our pupils know about the solar system's many moons. One pupil could even name moons of other planets and explain the difference between a 'waxing gibbous' and 'waning crescent' moon.

The visit finished back on planet Earth at 0 degrees longitude, as we all stood on the Prime Meridian marking the division between the East and West hemispheres of our globe. By the time we all travelled from outer space back to Essex, everyone was completely exhausted but we all had a fantastic trip!



Healthy Schools Silver Award

We proudly announce that Essex Primary School has been accredited with the Healthy Schools Silver Award. This was awarded by the borough and presented by Jason Strelitz, Corporate Director of Adults, Health & Communities, Newham Council. The award was for our school's implementation of innovative healthy projects that benefit everybody's health and welfare. These projects range from fitness, well-being, cleaner air and a cleaner living. We, as a community, can now collaboratively strive to achieve Gold. So look out for future projects that you can get involved in. Keep staying healthy.



Election Week



Next week is a momentous week for our country. It is election week! We will be embracing this significant event by holding our very own election in school. Our School Councillors have worked tirelessly on their election campaigns and are doing all they can to generate the most convincing manifestos for pupils to vote for. They will be campaigning and canvassing in the school playgrounds next week. As Newham is statistically the

lowest voting borough in the country, we hope our school election inspires and encourages you to use your powerful vote in the country's General Election next week. Your vote matters!

Important Dates

Date	Event / Information
Monday 1st July	Class Photographs
Thursday 4th July	Year 6 transition day
Friday 5th July	Meet the new teacher
Monday 8th July	Sports Day Week (year group timetable to follow)
Monday 15th July	Nursery sports day
Wednesday 17th July	Summer Bazaar



Star of the week (KS1)

KS1 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

Husnain (Bumblebee)	Banmeet (Beetle)	Yahya (Butterfly)	Samrat (Moth)
Zuhain (Anaconda)	Haroon (Gecko)	All of Crocodile	Asma (Tortoise)



Green leaves (KS2)

KS2 are extremely proud of the children's achievements.

All of Lamprey class	All of Vendace class	All of Halibut class	All of Bluefin class
Thushitha (Grebe)	Aaminah (Puffin)	Natan (Kiwi)	Aafaq (Nightingale)
Annelicia (Baobab)	Diyana (Chestnut)	Ishak (Maidenhair)	Ishaq (Redwood)
Selman (Orchid)	Liliana (Clary)	Tashfa (Helleborine)	All of Wintergreen class



Attendance Matters! Every Student, Every School, Every day

Here is our attendance chart. Thank you to all the parents who have sent their children to school during this time.

Sending your child to school plays a vital role in your child's development.

Class	%	Class	%	Class	%	Class	%
Nursery Tiger(am)	97.3	Year 1 Bumblebee	96.7	Year 3 Lamprey	98.3	Year 5 Baobab	96.7
Nursery Rhino(am)	90.0	Year 1 Butterfly	93.1	Year 3 Halibut	98.6	Year 5 Redwood	96.2
Nursery Tiger(pm)	86.7	Year 1 Beetle	99.6	Year 3 Bluefin	97.9	Year 5 Maidenhair	98.6

Nursery Rhino(pm)	88.3	Year 1 Moth	97.0	Year 3 Vendace	99.3	Year 5 Chestnut	95.7
Reception Dolphin	94.7	Year 2 Anaconda	99.7	Year 4 Grebe	99.3	Year 6 Orchid	97.3
Reception Vaquita	96.8	Year 2 Crocodile	100.0	Year 4 Puffin	97.7	Year 6 Clary	98.5
Reception Turtle	94.1	Year 2 Gecko	96.7	Year 4 Nightingale	95.0	Year 6 Helleborine	98.2
Reception Penguin	94.1	Year 2 Tortoise	98.7	Year 4 Kiwi	96.4	Year 6 Wintergreen	96.9
Whole School			96.8%				



Walk to School

Classes with the highest percentage of walking:		Classes that have been the most active:	
1st	Maidenhair (98%)	1st	Helleborine, Clary, Orchid, Wintergreen, Maidenhair, Bluefin, Tortoise, (100%)
2nd	Helleborine, Clary, Orchid (97%)	2nd	Baobab, Vendace, Beetle, (99%)
3rd	Anaconda, Nightingale, Chestnut (93%)	3rd	Lamprey, Halibut, Grebe (98%)

School Clubs (Week beginning 1st July 2024)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Before School Club 8:00-8:45</u> Year 1 & 2: Football Year 5 & 6: Boys Football Year 3 & 4: Boys Cricket <u>After School Club 3:30-4:30</u> KS1: Gymnastics Year 3 & 4: Handball Year 5 & 6: Dance	<u>Before School Club 8:00-8:45</u> Year 1 & 2: Handball Year 3 & 4: Cricket <u>After School Club 3:30-4:30</u> KS1: Girls Football Year 3 & 4: Dance Year 5&6: Gymnastics	<u>Before School Club 8:00-8:45</u> Year 3&4: Boys Football Year 5&6: Cricket Year 1 & 2: Cricket <u>After School Club 3:30-4:30</u> KS1: Dance Year 3 & 4: Athletics Year 5 & 6: Handball KS2 WonderMaths Club KS2 Guitar Club <u>3:15 - 4:15</u> Year 3-6: Police Cadets	<u>Before School Club 8:00-8:45</u> Year 1 & 2: Athletics Year 5 & 6: Basketball <u>After School Club 3:30-4:30</u> KS1: Dodgeball Year 5 & 6: Athletics Year 1 & 2 Ukulele KS2: Badminton & Tennis Year 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6: Reading Gladiators <u>3:30 - 4:20</u> Year 1: Reading Warriors	<u>Before School Club 8:00-8:45</u> Year 3 & 4: Basketball Year 5 & 6: Table Tennis <u>After School Club 3:30-4:30</u> Year 3 & 4: Girls Football Year 3 & 4: Gymnastics Year 5 & 6: Girls Football

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