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## School Values

**Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth**

### Newsletter - 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe it is the Christmas Break already! It has been a long term, but it has gone very quickly. As you are aware from the weekly newsletters, we have had a lot of exciting times and lots of things to celebrate this term. You will also find attached the topic web for your child for next half term.

I am delighted to inform you that we recently raised £543.85 from the disco and £253.90 for Save the Children during our Christmas Jumper day. As always, many thanks for supporting the school and our charities in this way.

Today your children will have received a special gift and will have taken part in an end of term celebration. Thank you to the Carpenters Company for their kind donation which enables these things to happen. The children and families really appreciate it.

Today we say goodbye and good luck to Ms Umerji who leaves us to have her baby! Also, thank you and good luck to Ms Halisdemir who has been covering in Marigold Class this term! Thank you for looking after the children so well. This week we welcomed back Mrs Boodoo - we missed you and are all happy to have you back.

I have listed below key dates for the Spring term 2019. I wish you all a restful holiday break with your family: Merry Christmas to those celebrating Christmas and a very Happy New Year to you all! Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working with you again in 2018!

Diane Barrick - Headteacher

### Sports Personality of the Term

It is with great pleasure that we announce this new award for children in KS2. Following the announcement last week of the BBC Sports Personality of the Year, the adults at Carpenters have been keeping an eye on those budding sportspeople during their PE lessons, after-school clubs and cross-school competitions.

We are delighted to announce our very first Sports Personality of the Term awards. Well done to:

**Aarush Bhatt, Vickie Chen, Lara Monteiro Neves, Ray Elombah, Riley Farrugia, SkyWard,  
Liam A kyl & Sara-Maria Paun.**

The overall Sports Personality of the Term goes to:

**Kennesia Watkins for fantastic improvement in sport and representing the school so well in cross-school competitions.**

This will continue to be a termly award, with a Sports Personality of the Year presented in the Summer term. Congratulations and well done to all children who have taken part.

### Winter Reading Challenge - Can we be the Champions!?

A reminder that Newham libraries are running a 'Winter Reading Challenge' which was launched on Saturday 1st December. This challenge is similar to the Summer Reading Challenge whereby children read 3 books of their choice from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018 until 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Children will collect stickers in a special reading log and will be able to review the books they have read online (although this bit is not essential). Just like the summer challenge, children can start and finish at any Newham library. The children will collect their certificate at the library either from the library staff or by going online and printing it off themselves. Newham Library will also be awarding a trophy to the school with the highest number of finishers - help us to be the champions!

### Starting School

A reminder that the deadline for online applications via [eadmissions.org.uk](http://eadmissions.org.uk) for Starting School in a Reception Class from September 2019 is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 must apply. Should you require any advice or support in completing the online form, please contact the school office.

### Attendance

A reminder to all parents/carers, that holidays during term time, or attached to a school holiday, will not be authorised, except in exceptional circumstances. We have already had a number of families whose children have been absent from school and we have not been able to make contact with them. This leads us to believe that some families may have taken their children on holiday without authorisation. Any parent/carer who takes their child/ren on holiday without authorisation will be issued with a penalty notice, with a charge of £60 per parent per child. Should your child/ren not return to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019, we will expect a note from your child's local GP to confirm their sickness/absence. Any parent/carer who does not provide this information will be issued with a penalty notice with a charge of £60 per parent per child.

## Dates for your diary

<p>7<sup>th</sup> Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan w/c 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Feb w/c 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 7<sup>th</sup> Mar 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 13<sup>th</sup> Mar 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 27<sup>th</sup> Mar 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr 4<sup>th</sup> Apr 8<sup>th</sup> Apr 8-11 Apr</p>	<p>Children return to school Year 6 Parent/Carer Meeting - SATS &amp; Fairplay Year 5 Parent/Carer Meeting - Fairplay House Year 2 Parent/Carer Meeting - SATs Year 1 Parent/Carer Meeting - Phonics Year 5 Parent/Carer Meeting - SRE e-Safety Week &amp; Bring a Parent/Carer Week e-Safety Parent/Carer Workshops Safer Internet Day Chinese New Year Chinese New Year Assembly - 2.30pm - Yr 2 - All Welcome <b>SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM</b> Children return to school Year 4 Swimming for 2 weeks Book Week World Book Dressing Up Day World Science Week Science Day Red Nose Day Spring Music Concerts - Years 3-6 Parent/Carer Meetings - 3.30pm - 8pm Easter Concert - EYFS (Nursery &amp; Reception) New school menu taster session for parents/carers <b>SCHOOL CLOSED - EASTER BREAK</b> Year 6 Easter School (Mon - Thu)</p>
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## Whole School Attendance - 4<sup>th</sup> September - 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

### EYFS & KS1:

Sunflower - 95.3%	Snowdrop - 90.9%
Bluebell - 96.2%	Marigold - 96.5%
Daisy - 95.8%	<b>Poppy - 97.5% Brilliant!</b>

### KS2:

Rose - 97.2%	Fern - 96.6%
<b>Willow - 98.3% Well Done!</b>	Pine - 97.3%
Chestnut - 97.5%	Oak - 93.8%
Tulip - 96.9%	Holly - 98.2%

**Whole School Target 2018-2019 - 96.4%**

Whole School Attendance this week (w/e 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018) - 93.4%

Whole School Attendance this term - 4<sup>th</sup> September to & 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 - 96.3%

Well done to Poppy & Willow for best attendance this term - A special visit will be organised for you next half term!

**Keep working hard to ensure your child attends school every day and on time (8.55am)!**

## Carpenters Attendance - Autumn 2018

### 100% Attendance

More great news to celebrate: 121 children, 27.6% of the school from Nursery to Year 6, achieved 100% attendance this term. Well done to all those children! There are too many to list but they each received a special treat for this amazing achievement.

### Class Attendance

I am delighted to announce the following classes have won 'Best Attendance' for the Autumn term 2018.

**KS1 - Poppy Class**

**KS2 - Willow Class**

Both classes have been rewarded with a special visit which will take place in the New Year. Well done to all children in both classes.

## Child of the term - Autumn 2018

Well done to the following children who have been awarded 'Child of the term', in recognition of their hard work, improvements and/or overall performance this term:

**Yashri Bhatt, Tasmiya Islam, Yarina Romero Picuas, Kyroe Cadogan, Julia Grochulska, Olivia Maj-Dada, Khadija Rahman, Christopher Barnard, Debotro Biswas, Sahara Sattar, Soha Ali, Ayssa Balombo, Sulayman Downer and Jai Mudhusuthan.**

Each child received a special chocolate treat - Enjoy!