



Weekly Newsletter Friday October 6th 2023

Message from the Headteacher

This week's assembly was about the festival of Harvest. Children thought about the **autumn season** and the celebration of food that we eat, grown by farmers. We are very excited by our trip to Magdalen farm with Yr 4&5s; we will be helping to **harvest fruit and vegetables**. Why not try an autumn nature hunt- see **Autumn I Spy** below.

Attendance

N- 96%
R- 93%
1- 99%
2- 98%
3- 96%
4- 99%
5- 98%
6- 98%

Well done to **Yr 1 and Yr 4** for achieving **99%** attendance last week. Well done as well to Reception too!

Sight and Hearing Tests

Please get your child's hearing and sight checked if you have concerns about them. Unfortunately our school nurse does not routinely screen children. School and parents need to work together to identify when a child can't see the board or hear class instructions. Please talk to your child and contact your GP or optician if you need to book a screening.

You will have an opportunity to discuss this when you meet your child's teacher on October 17th.

Parent Reader Needed

We need a volunteer reader to work with a KS 2 child new to the country. Ideally this volunteer would read with the child daily 9:00-9:30. See Annika or Siobhan.

Waste Management



Teach children to recycle and reuse to reduce our waste.

Parent Conference Evening School Closed 1:30 17th October

Parent Sessions

Coffee Morning on Wednesdays 9-10 am in the Parents Rm run by Yasmin- all welcome
Toy Library Thursdays Hoyam and Dilara
Felix Food Project Friday 2:30-3:30 run by Yasmin, Hoyan, Muna.

We are very grateful for the time and energy that our parent volunteers offer the school.

Wed 4th October Managing Conflict Parent Session

Thank you to all the parents who attended this session; we hope that you found it useful. Caroline was very complimentary of our wonderful parents!

Measles Vaccination

Please see the NHS letter to parents below.

Oracy Target

This week children have been working on:
I can speak loudly and clearly to my whole class and other large groups.

National Poetry Day

Children across the school performed poems in assembly this week. Children worked hard to speak loudly and clearly to a large audience. They did well!

WD Wrap Around Care

Wrap Around Care (childcare) is available for all children. Contact Bhumi or Ridhwan on the admin email if you want to book sessions. All information is on the website:

[William Davis' Wraparound Care](#)

Magic Breakfast

Children are welcome to come into school for breakfast on a daily basis. Staff prepare toasted bagels or cereal and milk. Children must be in between 8:00 and 8:30 to be served breakfast.

Stars of the Week



Safir and Atifa in Reception for working really hard, working independently and being great role models to other children.

Zeyan Yr 1 for always having a positive attitude to learning.

Abdurrahman and Aisha Yr 5 for being responsible and supporting excellent behaviour.

Talha Yr 6 for making a great start at WD, working hard and pushing himself all week.

Important dates

Autumn term 2023

Tue 17th Oct 1:30- 6:30 pm Parent Conferences(school closed from 1:30)

PSHE/ Online Safety meetings:

Oct 16th 9:00 Yr 1 ; 2:45 Yr 2

Oct 17th 9:00 Yr 4

Oct 18th 9:00 Yr 3 ; 2:45 Yr 5

Oct 19th 9:00 Yr 6

Mon 23rd Oct half term holiday

Mon Oct 30th school starts

Mon Oct 30th - Fri Nov 3rd-

Magdalen Farm Yr 4 & 5

Nov 20th Open afternoon EYFS

Nov 23rd Open morning EYFS

Thur 14th Dec - Winter Fayre/

Festival of Triangles

Fri 22nd Dec last day of term close

1:30 pm

EYFS Open Morning and Open Afternoon

Do you have a child ready to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024?

Monday Nov 20th 3:45-4:45

Open Afternoon EYFS

Thursday Nov 23rd 10:00-11:00

Open morning EYFS

Please come and visit !

Online Safety

Keeping children safe online is our joint responsibility. Make sure that you have parental controls in place; and that you know the sites and Apps that your children use. Check the school's online safety policy on the website. [Safeguarding and Child Protection - WILLIAM DAVIS PRIMARY SCHOOL](#)

We will be discussing Online safety at our Parent Mtgs in October. See dates

Oct 16th 9:00 Yr 1 ; 2:45 Yr 2

Oct 17th 9:00 Yr 4

Oct 18th 9:00 Yr 3 ; 2:45 Yr 5

Oct 19th 9:00 Yr 6



Book Amnesty

Please return all school books to the class next week so that the book corners can be stored. There are lots of books missing.

Is My Child Too Ill for School?

Please refer to these NHS guidelines when thinking about whether your child can go to school. We need to reduce unnecessary absences from school. [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Team

The VAWG team have asked parents to complete this survey to inform their strategy: Here is the link to the online survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/TUg7NsuNMZ>

Please complete by October 10th.

Birthday Celebrations

Although we have stopped our custom of parents sharing birthday sweets in the playground at hometime, please be reassured that we still sing and give children a sticker and pencil when they celebrate their birthday.

Uniform Stall

Look out for the monthly uniform stall on a Friday afternoon run by parents, Hoyam and Dilara

POETRY BY HEART

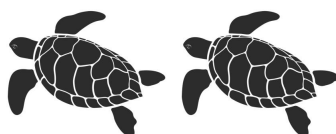
Tony The Turtle (1933)

By E.V. Rieu

Tony was a Turtle,
Very much at ease,
Swimming in the sunshine
Through the summer seas,
And feeding on the fishes
Irrespective of their wishes,
With a "By your leave" and "Thank you"
And a gentlemanly squeeze.

Tony was a Turtle
Who loved a civil phrase;
Anxious and obliging,
Sensitive to praise.
And to hint that he was snappy
Made him thoroughly unhappy;
For Tony was a Turtle
With most engaging ways.

Tony was a Turtle
Who thought, before he fed,
Of other people's comfort,
And as he ate them said:
"If I seem a little grumpy,
It is not that you are lumpy."
For Tony was a Turtle
Delicately bred.



CHARGES

Reminders:

In order to replace books lost at home we will charge £5 for lost books. EYFS parents will be charged £3 / term for perishable items. Repeated late pick ups from ASC will incur an increased fine- see the **Charging and Remissions Policy** on the website.

Fathers and Male Carers

Fathers Football at Thomas Buxton Thursday mornings - see Russell. See poster below.

Sweets and Snacks

Please can I ask parents to help us promote healthy eating habits. If you want your children to have a snack at home time - **bring some fruit or a bagel**. Please avoid sweets, crisp etc that are high in sugar and fat. Please encourage water or milk.



Reading for Pleasure

Are you a member at the Whitechapel Ideas Store? Why not join this weekend and be a regular visitor to borrow books for you and your children. Check out the website: [Idea Store Whitechapel](#)



Name:

Autumn 1 Spy

Can you find.....

Shiny conkers?



Colourful autumn leaves?



Acorns?



Sycamore (helicopter) seeds





North East London

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September 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Staying healthy by vaccinating against measles

Measles cases have been rising in London. It spreads easily from person to person by close contact, through coughing and sneezing. There is no cure against measles, and it can be very serious with 1 in 5 infected children needing a hospital visit.

The good news is, if you are vaccinated you are protected.

The measles vaccine has been in use for about 60 years. It is safe, effective and has reduced measles cases in the UK by 99.9%. The measles, rubella and mumps vaccines are usually combined and is called the MMR vaccination.

Children are usually given two doses of the MMR vaccine when they are young. There will be some children who have not had both doses meaning they are not fully protected. This makes outbreaks more likely when children start or return to school.

Any child who comes into close contact with someone with measles and is not fully vaccinated with two doses may be asked to self-isolate to stop the spread. Children who are already fully vaccinated will not need to miss any school.

Staying up to date with your child's vaccines

To find out more about childhood vaccinations you can visit nhs.uk/child-vaccines. To check if your child is up to date with their MMR, polio or any other vaccine, contact your GP and arrange a catch-up appointment or check your child's red book.

If your child had their first vaccinations abroad it is important that they still have routine vaccinations here. If you're not registered with a GP, you can register online at <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-gp> (anyone can register and you don't need ID or proof of address).

Parents of children aged 4 to 11, whose vaccination record says they are behind on polio and MMR vaccinations, will be contacted by Vaccination UK to offer catch up doses at a local clinic or at school this autumn. Please consider consenting so that your child can be protected.



10 INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS

- 1** Don't block all access to technology. Help your child learn to use tech **safely** and **positively**.
- 2** Take an **interest** in your child's favourite apps or sites. Co-view or co-create at times.
- 3** Be the parent. You're in charge. Set **boundaries** and consider using filtering software.
- 4** Create a family media **agreement** with tech free zones such as cars, bedrooms, and meals.
- 5** Teach your child what **personal information** they should not reveal online (YAPPY acronym).
- 6** Help your child learn to **filter** information online and navigate fact from fiction.
- 7** Navigate digital **dilemmas** with your child. Avoid using devices as rewards or punishments.
- 8** **Balance** green time and screen time at home. Focus on basic developmental needs.
- 9** Don't support your child to sign up for sites with **age restrictions** (e.g. 13+) if they're underage.
- 10** **Learn more:** Explore reliable resources for parents so you can educate yourself.

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The background of the entire page is a photograph of a soccer ball in a goal net. The ball is white with black panels, and the net is white. The image is slightly blurred, giving it a sense of motion.The logo is a green rectangular box with white text. The text is arranged in three columns: "SCHOOL" in the first column, "EAS" in the second column, and "PARTNER" in the third column. The "EAS" is significantly larger than the other words.

E1 Schools Partnership
FUDGE Football
(Father Figures, Uncles, Dads, Grandads Excellence)
Friendly game for all skill levels

Every Thursday Morning
9.00am—10.45am
(Come to main school entrance)

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