

PARK NEWSLETTER



*Ensuring every individual achieves their best through high expectations for all;
with a focus on confidence, creativity, care and aspiration.*

30th September 2019

☆☆☆☆ Stars of the Week ☆☆☆☆

Reception

Humaira, Amelia and Yuvraj in Reception.

Key Stage 1

Daniel, Zara and Aidan in Year 1.

Kevin, Bibi and Milana in Year 2.

Lower Key Stage 2

Maryam, Dovydas and Piotr in Year 3.

Norah, Muhammad Afini and Kambui in Year 4.

Upper Key Stage 2

Oscar, Yusuf K and Tanim in Year 5.

Ameera, Fahat and Jinxun in Year 6.

Attendance Stars

Cook Class in Reception and Key Stage 1 with 98.3%.

Galileo Class in Lower Key Stage 2 with 98.8%.

Gandhi and Mandela Classes in Upper Key Stage 2 with 99%.

Overall Attendance: 96.3% 😊

Overall Attendance Target: 96%



Punctuality Stars

Congratulations to **Malala Class** who achieved 100% punctuality this week.

Enjoy your extra play!

Curriculum Overviews

The Curriculum Overviews are available on the school website for each year group. They provide an outline of the topics the children will be covering this term and give ideas for supporting your child with their learning at home.

<https://park.newham.sch.uk/learning/year-groups>

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Curriculum
Information



Autumn Term 2019-20

Parent/Carer Information Meetings

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent/Carer Information Meetings. The slides from the meetings are available on the school website.

<https://park.newham.sch.uk/learning/parent-workshops/>

If you have any follow up questions from the meetings, please speak to:

Years 5 & 6 - Ms Broadhurst or Ms Phelan

Years 3 & 4 - Ms Broadhurst or Mr Hodkin

Years 1 & 2 - Miss Critchley

Class Dojo

It has been brilliant to see the number of parents and carers signing up to ClassDojo increasing over the weekend.



We are keen for every family to sign up to ClassDojo. ClassDojo will replace the text service we currently use in order for us to save thousands of pounds each year which can be put to better use. It will also allow us to save paper.

If you have not yet signed up, please do so as soon as possible. We do not want you to miss out on messages from school.

Reminders were sent home on Friday to those families who have not signed up. If you have not received one, please email

info@park.newham.sch.uk to let us know and we will arrange for your password to be reprinted.

Schools for Success

Mrs Ttofalli was invited to a special event at City Hall in London on Friday where she met Joanne McCartney, Deputy Mayor of London.

The event was held to celebrate the achievements of the schools who have been invited to be part of the Mayor's Schools for Success programme.

We are proud to be in the top 6% of primary and secondary schools from across London and honoured to

receive the award which recognises the hard work of our children, staff and governors.



Go Run for Fun

On Friday, the whole of Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 headed over to West Ham Park to complete our Go Run for Fun event. We were incredibly lucky with the weather; the sun was shining, there was a lovely light breeze and the rain held off.

Go Run for Fun events are held across the country and we were fortunate to be picked to trial the opportunity to hold our own run. This allowed all the children to participate rather than us only being able to take a select group to the organised event in Battersea.

The children were amazing, with some sensational performances from individuals. It was wonderful to hear the children



encouraging each other as they were running and to hear them reflecting on their success when they had completed the run. Many children were heard to say that even though they didn't think they could do it, they kept trying and they did it! One little girl said that she didn't think she could do it but then she decided to be a Go for it Gorilla. Go Run for Fun hope that their events will inspire children to become more active and to enjoy running. They remind us that running is a free activity that requires no equipment and which benefits our health.

More photos will be added to the website later this week.

Forest School

The children who had earned awards at the end of the summer term took part in a special Forest School session this week.

On the way to Forest School we looked at autumnal changes in the park and identified different plants and wildlife; we talked about their features. We also had the challenge of finding the driest sticks and tinder we could for the fire (which, with the heavy downpours was quite a challenge!).

The children enjoyed having the opportunity to play in the natural environment, learning the joy and endless play opportunities a simple stick can bring! They worked with their year group peers but also with children from other year groups which was lovely to see. The tree swing and hammock were popular and lots of children enjoyed threading a conker and playing the traditional game.



To end the session we talked about making fires and staying safe and worked together to start a campfire to toast marshmallows and make popcorn.

Due to increased Forest School teacher capacity from now on, we are looking forward to being able to take our Stars of the Term to Forest School on a termly basis.

Lots of additional photos have been added to the school website.

Pride of Park

We often talk about children who have done something extra special in our Pride of Park section but this week it's our staff we'd like to give a special mention to.

A group of support staff and teachers have signed up to run the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park 10k next weekend to raise money for Cancer Research UK. They are doing this for Mrs Lennon, who has been undergoing treatment for cancer in recent months.

Mrs Lennon has inspired us all with her positive attitude and the team wanted to do something to support her. We are so proud of Mrs Lennon and to those who are running for her.

If you'd like to make a contribution, please follow the link below.

There will also be a collection in the playground on Friday 4th if you would prefer to make a cash donation.



In aid of

CANCER RESEARCH UK

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sarahlennon2?utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_content=SarahLennon2&utm_medium=fundraisingpage&utm_source=Facebook&utm_term=6xm2j6A5X&fbclid=IwAR2ttwsUZAe6AH14HGohkl00jSPHD_wTsOtbwW_L_a1tZy6U418p2kl4ZEsQ

Reminder - SEND Coffee Morning

We will be holding a Special Educational Needs and Disabilities coffee morning on **Tuesday 1st October 2019** from 9:15am to 10:30am (please come to the main office).



There will be a short presentation about SEN at Park followed by a chance for you to meet other parents/ carers and suggest ideas for workshops for this academic year. Our new assistant head teacher, Mrs Loughran, will be there along with our SENDCo, Miss Hunt; our speech and language therapist, Althea Dove and our family support worker, Rehana Begum.

The coffee morning is aimed at parents of children with special educational needs but all parents are welcome.

This week...

Park Ponders

This week's Park Ponders question is...

Why does our behaviour change around different people?



Learning Power Focus



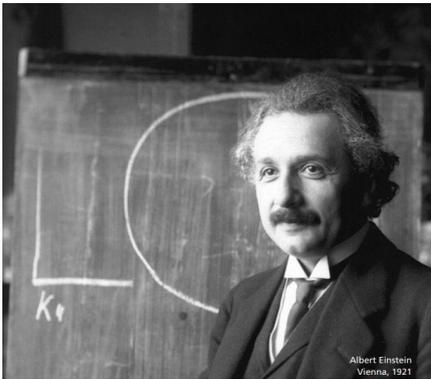
This week we are trying hard to improve our cooperation skills. We use '**Slinky Linky Snake**' to remind us to work together to learn and achieve.

Being a cooperative, '*Slinky Linky Snake*' requires us to:

- listen to others;
- say when we don't understand;
- explain things to help others;
- be kind when we disagree;
- compromise where necessary;
- and to be tolerant.



Thought for the Week



Don't pursue goals that are easily achieved. Aim for what you can just barely achieve through your greatest efforts.

Thought for the week
Inspiring proverbs for learning
completes.co.uk

Adapted from Albert Einstein

Current Affairs



Some people have stopped donating to the Royal National Lifeboat Institute (RNLI) charity after an article in an online newspaper stated how the charity spends £3.3m a year (a small amount of their total money) on projects in other parts of the world including in Africa and Bangladesh yet they have cut around 100 jobs in the United Kingdom, where it is based. The news has made others angry, those who believe that the charity helps people both locally and in other parts of the world. Their overseas projects include teaching children how to swim in Bangladesh.

Things to talk about at home...

- How many different ways can you think of to help those in need? E.g. donations to charity, or volunteering.
- How do you think people choose what charity to donate to?

British Values Link: Individual Liberty



Dates for the Diary

October 2019

Tues 1st Year 6 Museum of London visit

Tues 1st Einstein London landmarks visit

Weds 2nd Year 6 Online Safety workshop for parents

Weds 9th Year 4 Royal Albert Hall

Thurs 17th 1:00pm School closes early

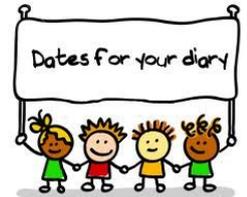
Thurs 17th 1:30pm Parent/Carer Afternoon

Mon 21st - Fri 25th School closed for half term

Mon 28th Year 4 Museum of London visit

November 2019

Mon 11th Shakespeare Schools Festival 7:00pm



Sharing Assemblies

Date	KS1 9:00am	KS2 2:20pm
4.10.2019	Aldrin	Edison
11.10.2019	No sharing	Gandhi
18.10.2019	No sharing	No sharing
Half Term		
1.11.2019	Attenborough	Pankhurst
8.11.2019	Pasteur	Brunel
15.11.2019	No sharing	Da Vinci
22.11.2019	Marco Polo	Helen Keller
29.11.2019	Einstein	Hawking

6.12.2019	No sharing	Mandela
13.12.2019	No sharing	No sharing
20.12.2019	STAR OF THE TERM AWARDS	
