

PARK NEWSLETTER



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

7th November 2022

Need to Know

Mrs Ttoffali's Weekly Update

Dear all,

We trust that the return to school was not too much of a 'blow' to the system; as the darkness and the miserable weather sets in, everything is so much more of a challenge- we completely understand that. That said, please may I take this opportunity to remind you about the importance of attendance for your children. Last week's attendance was 94.2%, national expectation is that attendance is 96%. Please can we all work together to ensure that, when the children are well enough, they are in school. Whilst considering attendance, may I also state this: we are frequently faced with requests for term time leave. We completely understand that there are good (and sometimes very sad) reasons for you to request leave but please be advised that it is highly unlikely that this leave will be authorised. We respect you for following the agreed procedure. Thank you.

Hopefully, you will have seen on Dojo this week that there is a new school menu rota - [Lunch Menu](#) . Please try to set aside the time to discuss this weekly with your child /children to empower them to make good choices so they will enjoy the lunchtime experience with their friends.

The 'you spoke we listened' section:

In our October 21st Parent/ Carer Event, we offered the opportunity for you to provide some feedback in order that we might continue to improve. You said that you would like more information in relation to your child's learning.

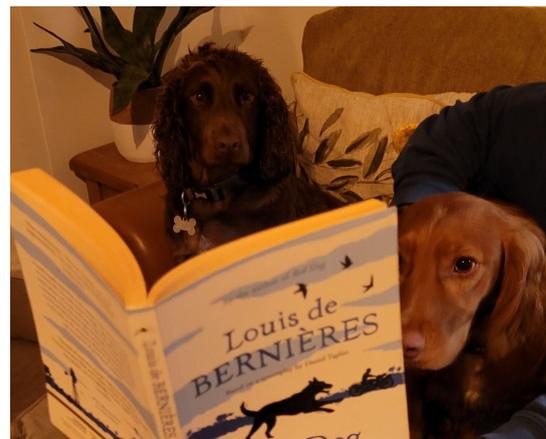
In October and February we hold feedback sessions at which we provide information to you in relation to your child's progress and then in The Summer Term we provide the annual report. With regards to what your children are actually learning each half



term, please refer to the [Curriculum Overviews' Website Page](#) and please do ensure that you have access to your child's Google Classroom, as the slides from their English and mathematics lessons will be shared in order that you can access their weekly learning and perhaps consolidate (please) their learning with them.

For some bigger picture information, please visit the [We are Newham Update](#)

Thank you all so much for your Get Caught Reading photos, we are working hard to display them. The competition entries are all fabulous, even the dogs got involved!



To Make a Difference in Someone's life
You Don't have to be Beautiful, Rich, or Perfect.
You Just have to Care.



I was very much struck by a parent's offer to 'overpay' for their child's visit this week and I would like to state please:

- If you wish to pay more than you are asked to for a visit, please just add a voluntary contribution (over pay) as you pay.
- Food bank monetary donations are possible in the office. We are looking into how we can set up a regular foodbank donations account.
- We are seeing an increase in asylum seekers into our Park community. Any additional contributions you make will all go back into the 'pot' which means that all children are able to access Park's rich educational offer.
- We are looking to establish a clothes bank to complement our foodbank. If you have any good ideas about how we might best establish this, we'd gratefully receive them.

Warmest regards, Natasha Ttofalli

A date for your diaries: **Monday 8th May 2023 has been announced as a Bank Holiday.**

☆☆☆☆ Stars of the Week ☆☆☆☆

Lower Key Stage 2

Nancy, Humaira and Ray in Year 3

Emilis and Rebecca in Year 4

Upper Key Stage 2

Dakee, Rehaan and Jaabir in Year 5

Yuki, Tabasom and Aisha in Year 6

Attendance Stars

Marco Polo Class in Key Stage 1 with 99%

Da Vinci Class in Lower Key Stage 2 with 100%

Helen Keller Class in Upper Key Stage 2 with 96%

Whole School Attendance is 94%

Wrap Around Care

Our Wrap Around Care Provision is open to all families to book via Scopay.

If you have any questions then please email us at

info@park.newham.sch.uk or if you have a message for the Wrap Around Care team directly then please email wrap.around@park.newham.sch.uk



Dates for the Diary

[2022-2023 Term Dates](#)

Tuesday 15th November - Y5

Shakespeare Production at the Broadway Theatre in Barking

Wednesday 16th November - School Tour and Open Session for prospective September 2023 Reception parents/carers at 9am

Monday 21st November - Y4 Roman skeletons workshop

Thursday 24th November - Optional flu vaccinations for Reception-Y6

Monday 5th December - Reception sharing session for parents/carers at 9am

Wednesday 7th December - Y1 and Y2 at the Kenneth Moore Theatre, Ilford for pantomime

Thursday 8th December - Reception sharing session for parents/carers at 9am

Friday 9th December - Reception sharing session for parents/carers at 9am

Wednesday 14th December - Y2 Production

Wednesday 14th December - Engagement Provision Coffee Morning at 9.15

Thursday 15th December - Y4 and Y1 Winter Showcase at 9.15am



Friday 16th December - Candlelight Concert for Y5 and Y6 guitar and choir

Monday 19th December - Nursery (AM and all day) and Y3 Winter Showcase at 9.15am

Monday 19th December - Nursery (PM and all day) and Y3 Winter Showcase at 2.30pm

Tuesday 20th December - Y6 and Reception Winter Showcase at 9.15am

Wednesday 21st December - Y2 and Y5 Winter Showcase at 9.15am

Wednesday 21st December - Last day of school for the Autumn term

Thursday 22nd December - Thursday 5th January - Winter Holiday

Park's Food Bank

Thank you to families who have already contributed to our food bank. We would like to request any families who are able to support our foodbank to please leave donations in the box in the front office. Due to storage we can only accept long lasting items such as dry food, tins and pasta. We also accept toiletries and cleaning products.

If you would like to access our food bank, please come to the school entrance on a Friday between 2.30 to 3.30pm. Please bring your own bag.

PTA Bake Sale

Park Primary PTA

BAKE SALE

Friday 11th November in the MUGA

If you can kindly supply some bakes to sell please drop them off in the main school office!

Bring a reusable container for your purchases!

Thank you!

A cake or sugary thing is a nice treat occasionally; we should enjoy our sugar sensibly

CASH ONLY!

Sharing Assemblies

Please see the dates and classes for Sharing assemblies for this half term. If you can make it, please do join us (KS1, you will need to drop off your child and then enter through the main office so we have a record of who is coming in.).

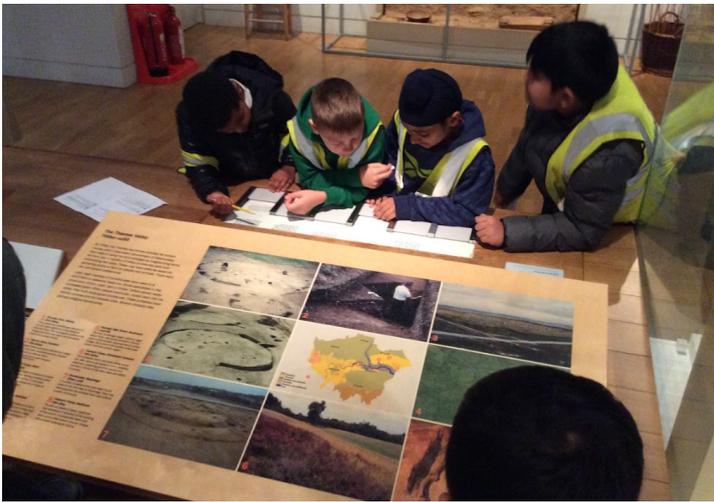
Date	KS1 - 9.05am	KS2 - 2.20pm
Friday 11th November	Aldrin	Rosa Parks
Friday 18th November		Gandhi
Friday 2nd December		Hawking

Curriculum Area

Year 4 Visit to the Museum of London



Year 4 visited the sight of a Roman Amphitheatre, the remains of a Roman Fort and finally the Museum of London. Well done to everybody for being so sensible and enjoying all the exhibits!



Dodgeball Tournament



On Thursday, Mr Tull took a group of 9 Y4 and Y5 children to Rokeby school to participate in a dodgeball tournament with five other Newham schools. It was a fast and furious event, and although we were not victorious, all the children enjoyed the experience and left vowing to come back and triumph next year! Well done to Barney, Ruhma, Alexandros, Levi, Urwa, Fatema, Aaysia, Ethan and Jaabir: you played very well,

and it was a pleasure for Ms Williams and Mr Tull to spend the afternoon with you all.

House Points

At Park we use a House Points system in which every child belongs to one of the four houses: Birch, Maple, Oak and Sycamore. House Points are awarded for children who demonstrate the school values. 5 HPs are awarded where significant examples of confidence, creativity, care and aspiration are exemplified.

Below is the total of the House Points collected this week. Well done to **Maple!** You have the highest total this week!

Birch 190 	Sycamore 145 
Maple 215 	Oak 140 

This week...

Thought for the Week

