

PARK NEWSLETTER



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

3rd November 2023

Need to Know

Mrs Ttoffali's Weekly Update

To Park Primary's Community



Good Morning Park,
Welcome back to Autumn 2, I hope you enjoyed the children's time at home and that there was at least some rest and relaxation for yourselves.

At Park, we are back to it with a vengeance: my week has involved Star of the Week Lunch, teaching in Year 6 and then finally, this afternoon, I was treated to Rosa Parks' sharing assembly at which we were blessed with one of the children being online as they are currently not able to come into school. Thank you to Rosa Parks Class and to Einstein for their assemblies this morning and thank you too to anyone who was able to come and watch.

Amazing Achievements for the community

A huge well done, 'you are amazing to:

- ❖ Ryan in Year 3 who has independently undertaken a fundraising activity, in the half term holiday. More detail to follow when it is received.
- ❖ Safwan and Lubana who raised £300 at Morrisons for the charity 'Together for Short Lives' which supports children's hospices.
- ❖ Everybody in our community who supported our fundraiser for the Give a Duck Charity. In total we raised a whopping £4,739 which is an outstanding amount of money.

Well done and thank you to all.

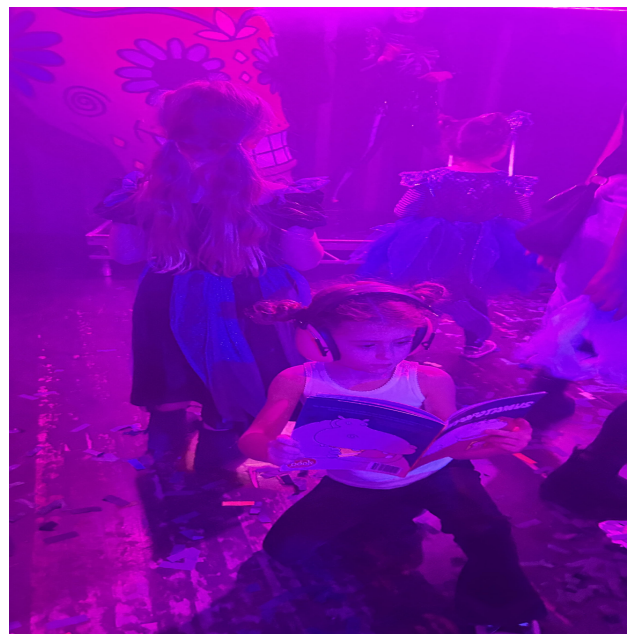
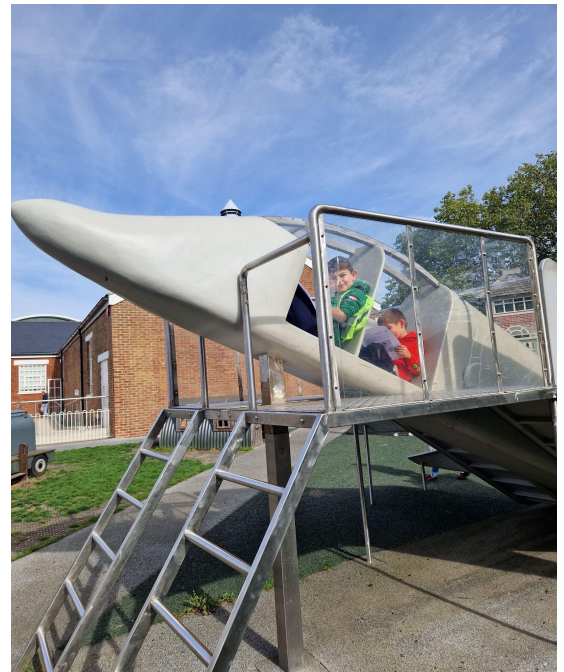
n.b. Ryan has also received his Silver Blue Peter badge for showing support and kindness and helping his sister during the summer holidays with potty training ready for Little Park.



Get Caught Reading

Thank you to everyone who has involved themselves in our Get Caught Reading competition.

So far we have received some superbly creative photos but we'd love to see some more. Please this weekend, whatever you are doing, capture your child reading a book. Creativity is great but just catching them reading, whenever, wherever is equally fine. Here are a few examples which will hopefully inspire you all.





What can I say to that? These are some lovely examples but please, please keep them coming; just send them into info@park.newham.sch.uk FAO Ms Osborne - Get Caught Reading.

Have a lovely weekend everyone and we look forward to seeing you on Monday, Natasha Ttofalli

☆☆☆☆ Stars of the Week ☆☆☆☆

Reception Key Stage 1

Nylah-Rose, Grace and Kit in Reception
Maya, Anayah and Adesuwa in Year 1
Emilia, Jad and Felix in Year 2

Lower Key Stage 2

Maryam, Maya and Abel in Year 3
Nailah, Ayaan and Lewis in Year 4

Upper Key Stage 2

Amiyhaa, Zara and Sarbani in Year 5
Ivy, Ana and Franks in Year 6

Attendance Stars

Jemison and Seacole Classes in EYFS and Key Stage 1 with 100%

Da Vinci Class in Lower Key Stage 2 with 96%

Mandela Class in Upper Key Stage 2 with 98%

Whole School Attendance is 93.4%

Is my child too ill for school?



Please click on the NHS logo to access their advice.

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

2023-2024 Term Dates

Monday 6th November - Juniper Allergens Parent/Carer Workshop (9:15 - 10:15am)

Wednesday 8th November - Year 5 Shakespeare Festival at Barking Theatre

Wednesday 8th November - Einstein at the library

Wednesday 8th November - Year 2 Parent/Carer Readers in school

Wednesday 8th November - Malala WW2 Workshop

Thursday 9th November - Professional photographers in school taking photos for the school website



Thursday 9th November - Pankhust and Mandela WW2 Workshop

Thursday 9th November - Marie Curie at the library

Friday 10th November - Tag Rugby Festival (Year 5 and Year 6)

Monday 13th November - Galileo Stone Age Workshop

Thursday 16th November - Year 1 Toys Workshop

Thursday 16th November - Edison Stone Age Workshop

Monday 20th November - Reception sharing our learning

Monday 20th November - Reception Parent/Carer Workshop (9:15-10am)

Wednesday 22nd November - Year 2 Parent/Carer Readers in school

Thursday 23rd November - Reception sharing our learning

Friday 24th November - Reception sharing our learning

Monday 27th November - Flu Immunisations in school

Monday 4th December - Year 1 at Highway Church

Tuesday 5th December - Year 1 and Year 2 at Kenneth Moore Theatre

Wednesday 6th December - Year 2 Parent/Carer Readers in school

Friday 8th December - Park in the Dark at West Ham Park (from 5pm)

Thursday 14th December - Year 2 Production

Friday 15th December - Year 3 Visit to Horniman Museum

Tuesday 19th December - Last Day of Term

Wednesday 20th December - **Wednesday 3rd January** - Winter Break

Thursday 4th January - Back to School/ Start of Spring Term

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.

Sharing Assemblies

Please see the dates and classes for Sharing assemblies for this 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 - 2.30pm
Friday 3rd November	Einstein	Rosa Parks
Friday 10th November	Aldrin	
Friday 17th November		
Friday 24th November		Hawking (new date)
Friday 1st December		Gandhi (new date)
Winter Break		

Getting to know...

Each week we will be finding out about different members of our Park staff in our new *Getting to know...* feature.



Getting to know... Ms Osborne

What is your role in school?

Year 3 Class Teacher and Reading Subject Leader

Where did you grow up?

Kent, Tunbridge Wells

The most recent book I read was...

A Little Life by Hanya Yanagihara

Tell us something about you that we may not know.

Before I trained to be a teacher, I was a journalist for 8 years at Global Radio and Ok! Magazine

Most embarrassing moment.

Falling off a running machine in the middle of a busy gym when I was at university. My iPod pelted across the room and everyone looked extremely alarmed!



What's your favourite...

Ice-cream flavour? Pistachio or mango sorbet

Children's book? The Jolly Postman, Goodnight Mr Tom, all Beatrix Potter books..

Park Primary memory?

There are many, but one that stands out recently is when last year's year 6 children beat the teachers at the annual rounders match. The pride on their faces quickly wiped away our fury at losing!

Why are you proud to work at Park?

It is an extremely magical place with a wonderful community - where everyone shares the same values and wants the very best for every child that walks through its doors.

Curriculum Area

Get Caught Reading Competition

At Park, we are invested in nurturing and fostering your child's love of reading. Encouraging your child to take part is a fun and exciting way to highlight the pleasure of being absorbed in a good book and explore the world through the pages of a book. So go ahead, grab a book, and..... get caught reading!

Children ask an adult to take a photo of themselves being 'caught' reading their favourite book in the most imaginative and unusual place.

An adult at home needs to email the photos to info@park.newham.sch.uk FAO: Ms Osborne

The deadline to enter the competition is November 17th and the winners will be announced in assemblies on Friday 24th November.

There will be a winner picked from EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and LKS1.

We will also be picking a staff winner and a parent/carer winner!

(Please also see [slides](#) posted on all year group's Google Classroom) Thank you!





Online Safety







'Top tips' for keeping your children safe online at home; videos and useful links and information to support conversations.

<https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/>

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 **Oak**! You have the highest total this week!

Birch 200 	Sycamore 210 
Maple 205 	Oak 290 

Parent Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at Park, then please complete this [Google Form](#).

This week...

Thought for the Week



Thought for the week
Inspiring posters for learning
candymoss.co.uk

Music of the Week



Current Affairs



[Primary Picture News Resource England - 6th November - Money](#)

Additional Information

We won the Tesco Community Grant

A huge 'thank you' to all of you who voted for us at our local Tesco stores. We are the overall winners of the £15000 community grant prize money. We applied for the funding to develop our outdoor spaces and make them more 'green'. We were up against two other projects but your votes made all the difference and we won! We can't wait to get started planning and planting.

Mrs Nott

TESCO



The Big Vote for Godwin Junior School



As part of the NNL (North Newham Learning Partnership), we work closely with a number of other local schools.

Our friends at Godwin Junior School are in the running to win £20,000 of funding for their wellbeing project, 'Godwin Wellbeing for All'. Combining art, poetry and gardening, this project would offer free nature-based workshops and volunteering opportunities for the whole community.

Everyone who lives, works or studies in Forest Gate and Maryland can vote, and only the most popular projects will be funded.

Online voting ends on the **12th November** so please consider backing this project.

Use the link below or scan the QR code at the top of the page.

<https://newhamco-create.co.uk/en/projects/peoplepoweredforestgate>

PSA Volunteers Wanted



Calling all parents and carers and staff at Park Primary! The PSA need your help.... We are currently a small group of volunteer parents/ carers and staff from the school who help to organise and run the bake sales and summer/ winter events to raise funds for the school. The money has helped subsidise trips, buy books, support the food bank and many more resources and activities for the children at Park.

BUT we now need more help to be able to continue to support the school in the children's experience of primary school life and the opportunities they can have at this amazing school.

If you can offer a bit of time at a bake sale, a contribution of ideas, help in organising larger events, please scan the code below and join our WhatsApp group. Thank you!



Donations Needed

Dear All,

Our KS1 Team would like to ask for some donations for their outdoor area. If you could donate any of the items listed below, please drop them off at the school office:

- big paint rollers or paint brushes
- large nuts and bolts
- wheelbarrows
- shovels
- large garden brooms
- safe large planks of wood
- safe large pieces of piping
- large watering cans

Thank you very much!

PARENT SURVEY 2023 – Please help!

www.newham.gov.uk/childcareparentsurvey2023

Every year the LA conducts a childcare survey to help us find out about childcare needs in the borough so that we can plan services that will work for families. With the Government's upcoming extension to 30 hours and plans to increase wraparound care for school aged pupils, it's more important than ever that we understand families' needs and preferences.

This is a reminder that the survey is currently 'live' at www.newham.gov.uk/childcareparentsurvey2023 and is open until 5pm on **SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER**. It only takes around 10 minutes to complete.

Everyone that completes the online survey will be entered into a free prize draw to be in with a chance of winning £100 of shopping vouchers. A winner will be chosen at random after the closing date.

Please click on the image to see the flyer:

Newham London

**WE ARE
CARING.**



**DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN AGED 0-14 YEARS?
HELP US TO HELP YOU!**

We want to know about your childcare needs so we can plan services that will work for you and your family. We welcome your views and invite you to please complete a short survey, the details of which will be kept strictly confidential. Everyone that completes the survey will be entered into a free prize draw to be in with a chance of winning £100 of shopping vouchers.

The closing date for entries is 5pm on 3 DECEMBER 2023. The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete. Share your knowledge. When completing the survey, you can also request information on:

- free 15 hours for two-year olds
- free 30 hours for working parents with three and four-year olds
- the new expansion of the funded early education scheme
- plans to develop wraparound care for primary school children
- help with childcare costs
- childcare providers for children aged 0-14 in your area.

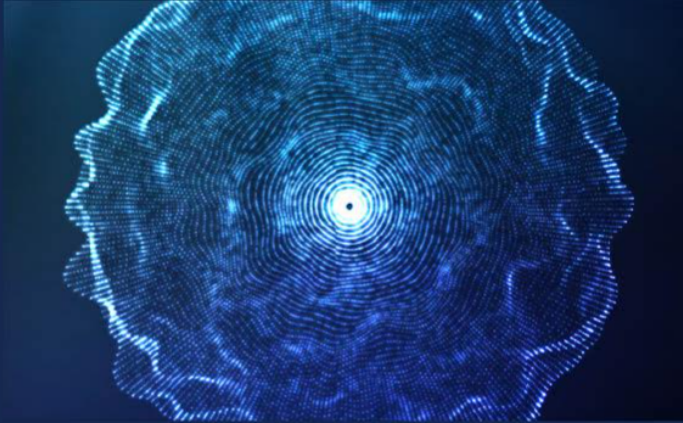
FREE PRIZE DRAW!

WE ARE NEWHAM.

STEAM Day at Stratford Library



Newham Future Fest: Unleash Your Potential in S.T.E.A.M



Join us on National STEAM Day
for an unforgettable evening of
discovery and inspiration!

8 November, 4-7pm
Stratford Library

Explore the World of STEAM and learn
from the best in the field! Gain insights
and get hands on experience from organi-
sations like UCL, LEGO, Barclays, Amazon,
and more to inspire your future career
path.

- Engage with Experts
- Participate in workshops
- Discover new career paths



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