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Newsletter 6

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Dear parents and carers,

As the half-term comes to an end, we are pleased with the progress children have been making and it has been great to see so many children taking on leadership roles. Our librarians are keeping the library in an excellent condition; our head prefects are settled into their roles and responsibilities and our many children are being helpful around the classroom as class monitors.

Today, our year 4/5 children go to take part in a habitat workshop and had a fantastic time. It is great to see this additional local visit. All Children will be on a school trip next half-term, with the exception of reception who will have an in-school visit.

Have a lovely half-term and please remember we start back to school on Tuesday, 29th October (Monday is a staff training day).

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Headteacher

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PTA Update

It was great to see so many of you at our Cake, Costume and Uniform Sale last Friday. We managed to raise approximately £200, which is fantastic! A massive thank you to all who baked cakes, donated costumes and came out to support the PTA.



It was such a success we're thinking of running more regular cake sales throughout the year. Watch this space!



Thanks also to all those who signed up to help with future PTA events. We're delighted to have you on board, and extremely grateful, as your support means we can start to plan in earnest for our Winter Fair, which will take place after school on Friday 6th December.

We still need more volunteers to make this event a success. If you're able to help with planning, have an idea for a stall, or are able to give an hour or so of your time on the day, please get in touch. Our email address is edinburghpta@gmail.com

Many thanks,

Harriet

Annual festive greetings card competition

Please see below a message from Stella Creasy, MP for Walthamstow, regarding the annual greeting card competition. All children under the age of 12, who live in Walthamstow are invited to partake:



Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to you as the MP for Walthamstow about the annual greeting card competition. The competition is to design the card that I, as MP for Walthamstow, will send to over 4,000 local and national people to celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah and the coming New Year. Every child under the age of 12 at the date of this letter who lives in my constituency is eligible to participate and participants are encouraged to use their creativity to express the celebrations of this time of year as well as what is special about our local community. The winning design will be professionally printed on cards in full colour in A5 and send to over 4,000 people including the Prime Minister as well as my colleagues in parliament. In addition to having their design reproduced, the young person whose design is selected will be invited, along with their family, for a thank you afternoon tea in Westminster. This card is kindly supported and sponsored by local businesses and would not be possible without their support.

Please note the following guidelines for successful entries:

- Do not stick anything to the card nor use glitter
- Use lots of bright colours (felt tip or paint work best as the design will be digitally reproduced)
- Local references are encouraged

The closing date for entries is Thursday 28th November 2024 at 5pm.

All entries can either be posted to my office (23 Orford Road, E17 9NL) or emailed as a jpeg or PDF to office@workingforwalthamstow.org.uk. Entries should include the name, home address, telephone number, school and age of the young person – they will not be considered without this information. If you have any questions about this competition, please feel free to get in touch with my office on 020 8521 1223 or office@workingforwalthamstow.org.uk.

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Pine Class Corner

Welcome to Pine Class Corner! This term has been filled with exciting learning experiences as we have explored new subjects and delved into fascinating topics. Here's a glimpse of what the children have been up to this term:

English

In English, the children have been thoroughly enjoying the book *How to Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell. This story follows a young Viking named Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III, who embarks on a quest to train a dragon and prove himself to his tribe. Throughout the book, Hiccup learns valuable lessons about bravery, friendship, and self-discovery as he encounters various challenges. The children have been engaging with the text through lively discussions and creative writing exercises. This enchanting tale has inspired many imaginative responses and a deeper understanding of character development and themes.

Science

In Science, the children have been diving into the intriguing world of electricity. They have learned about how electricity is generated and the importance of electrical safety. To showcase their understanding, the children created fantastic electrical safety posters, emphasizing the need to handle electrical devices carefully. They also explored the concepts of conductors and insulators. The children learned that conductors, like copper, allow electricity to flow easily, while insulators, such as rubber and plastic, prevent the flow of electricity, making them essential for keeping us safe.

History

In History, the children have been captivated by the topic of traders and raiders, focusing on the beliefs and practices of the Vikings during this period. They explored the Viking way of life, including their adventurous spirit and their travels to trade goods and raid new territories. The children also learned about the Anglo-Saxons, their culture, and the clothing they wore during this time. The Anglo-Saxons favoured practical garments made from wool, with men wearing tunics and women donning long dresses. By comparing the two cultures, the children gained insights into the significant impact of both the Vikings and the Anglo-Saxons on British history.

Attendance and punctuality



Sam, our School,
attendance mascot



Early Bird
our punctuality mascot

Attendance Awards

Lower floor: Banyan
Upper floor: Redwood

Punctuality Awards

Lower floor: Pear & Banyan
Upper floor: Pine & Redwood

Whole school: 95%

Our whole school attendance should be 97% or better.

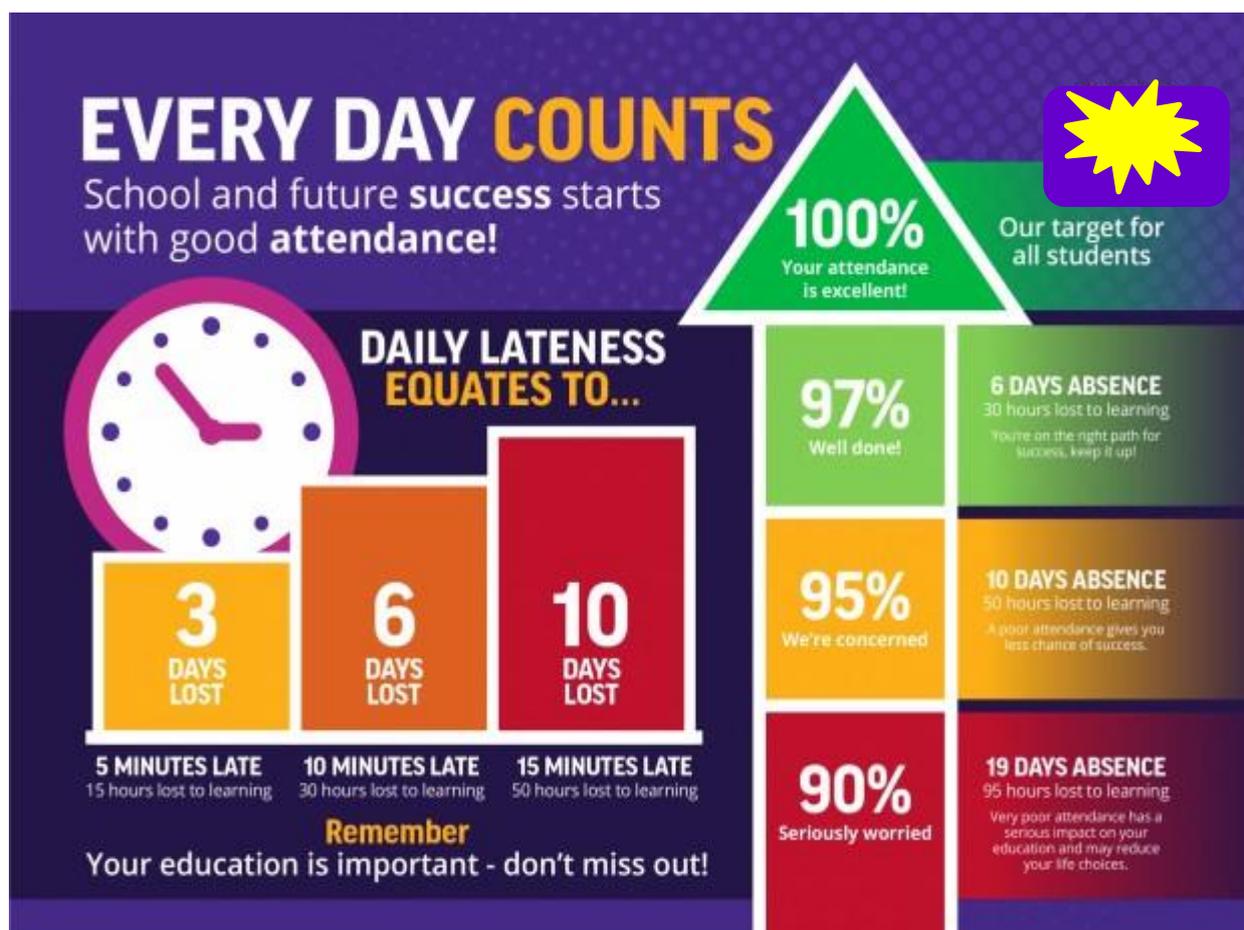
Please ensure your child is in school and do not plan any routine appointments (including medical) during school hours or visits abroad during term time

Did you know being 5 minutes late to school everyday equates to 3 days of lost learning time over the school year.

Did you know 95% attendance is a cause for concern as it equates to 10 days absence from school and 50 hours of teaching time.

Tip

Setting a good bedtime and morning routine for your child will ensure your child gets enough sleep and is ready to learn in the morning.



Values certificates for showing the Edinburgh values...

KINDNESS

HONESTY

RESILIENCE

RESPECT

POSITIVITY

	KINDNESS	HONESTY	RESILIENCE	RESPECT	POSITIVITY
Banyan	Amelia				
Ginkgo					
Hornbeam				Mahia	
Oak	Sam				Marcel
Pine			Muhammad		
Redwood	Amelia				
Tamarind					Matei

Wellbeing Warriors

Class	Banyan	Ginkgo	Hornbeam	Oak	Pine	Redwood	Tamarind
October	Keep Learning Azaan Aaliyah	Cive Erin Ibrahim	Connect Jean Linaz	Be Active Danyil Ariana	Keep Learning Mohib Osman	Cive Minahil Julian	Take Notice Jannah Aadam D

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*Weekly House Points
Winner!*



Team Diamond!



Shining stars

Yuxin – Banyan
Deogratias – Cingko
Nuh – Redwood
Lawrence – Redwood
Evelyn – Pine
Malakai – Oak
Jannah – Tamarind

Gold Awards

William – Redwood
Hawa – Pine
Yasin – Pine
Khadijah – Pine
Mohib – Pine
Ariana – Oak
Danyil – Oak
Nabiha – Oak

Homework stars!

Reading Stars



Hoorain – Banyan
Rabab – Cingko
Mahia – Hornbeam
Isra – Redwood
Lyz – Redwood
Zayyan – Pine
Marcel – Oak
Rayyan – Oak
Rayyan – Tamarind

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Spelling and Handwriting Stars



Jannat – Banyan
Kanzeddine – Gingko
Ariana – Oak
Ali – Tamarind

Times Table and Numbers Rock Stars



Malaika – Banyan
Erin – Gingko
Dasia – Hornbeam
Raima – Redwood
Khaelene – Redwood
Ariana – Oak
Adam S – Tamarind
Hawa – Pine

Healthy eating awards!

Leo – Pear
Hussein – Pear

Yuxin – Banyan
Neli – Gingko
Dasia – Hornbeam

Alvin – Pine
Albert – Redwood
Loris – Redwood

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Please remember only healthy foods are permitted at break time. At this time of the day, we encourage children to enjoy a piece of fruit. No crisps, sweets or chocolate bars are allowed.

For children on the upper floor, due to a later lunchtime, you may like to prepare a small sandwich for your child to enjoy at break time (lunch is at 12.45pm).





We value your feedback – if you have any positive feedback about your child's experience at school, please do write a note and hand this to the school office and we will pass this on to the relevant member of staff.

Equally, if you have any concerns, please do meet your child's class teacher or arrange an appointment to see me so that matters can be resolved quickly.

Thank you

Dates for the diary

Autumn 1 Key Dates	
21 th – 25 th October	Half-Term
Autumn 2 Key Dates	
28 th October	Inset Day
29 th October	Children back
	Value of the Week: Positivity
30 th October	YR & Y6 Height & Weight (NHS)
4 th November	Value of the Week: Respect
	Y6 Maths Boosters start
5 th November	Parent Workshop on Phonics with Ms Sheikh at 2.45pm
	Flu Vaccination – catch up
	Y6 Reading Boosters start
7 th November	Year 2/3 Science Museum Trip
	Parent Workshop on Supporting your child's Mental Health with Mr Cherry at 2.45pm
8 th November	Family Friday - Reception
11 th November	Value of the Week: Kindness
	Anti-bullying Week
	Odd Sock Day
12 th November	Parent Workshop on Phonics with Ms Sheikh at 2.45pm
15 th November	Children in need dress up day and fundraiser
	Family Friday - Reception
18 th November	Value of the Week: Resilience
	Parent Workshop Maths Y1-3 with Ms Joseph at 2.45pm
19 th November	Parents Evening 3.30-5.00pm
20 th November	Parents Evening 3.30-7.00pm
22 nd November	Family Friday - Reception

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25 th November	Value of the Week: Honesty
26 th November	Y6 Class Assembly at 2.45pm
	Parent Workshop on Phonics with Ms Sheikh at 2.45pm
28 th November	Reception Open Day (9am-11am)
29 th November	Jack and the Beanstalk Production visiting Edinburgh
	Family Friday - Reception
2 nd December	Value of the Week: Respect
3 rd December	Last Parent Workshop on Phonics with Ms Sheikh at 2.45pm
4 th December	Reception Open Day (9am-11am)
	Parent Workshop Maths Y4-6 with Mr Cherry at 2.45pm
6 th December	Last Family Friday
	PTA Christmas Fair at 3.15pm
9 th December	Value of the Week: Resilience
11 th December	YR/YI Nativity to Parents at 2.30pm
	Christmas Lunch
12 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
16 th December	Value of the Week: British Values
18 th December	Christmas Activity Day (Craft)
19 th December	Last Day of Term – Fabulous Finish Day- snack boxes – dress up (class theme) OR non-uniform. School closes at 2.15pm
20 th December – 5 th January	School Holiday
6 th January 2025	Inset Day
7 th January	Children return to School

If you would like to see the Headteacher, Ms Rider, please call the school office to make an appointment.

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