



# Newsletter

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## Attendance

Reg	Average
Rec	94.3
Year 1	94.8
Year 2	96.6
Year 3	96.9
Year 4	96.8
Year 5	94.9
Year 6	94.5
Nursery AM	83.8
Nursery PM	91.4
School Average	94.0

Week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016  
Well done to Year 3 who has the highest attendance of 96.9 percent. I have highlighted Reception, Year 1 and Nursery as well as year 5 and 6 as their attendance is far too low. Please remember to send your child to school every day.

## Dear Parents/ Carers

The weather has turned really cold now and is likely to be so for the next two or three months. Please make sure your child has a warm coat and may be a hat and gloves too. It is too cold for girls to wear the summer dresses; please ensure they wear the winter uniform from now on.

Everyone in the school has been working very hard for their nativity performances; please make every effort to attend these next week. We are delighted that our new building work will be started at the beginning of next term. There may be some disruption; please be patient with us! As we need to prepare for this, the school will close at 1.30pm on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December for the holidays. There will be no ESP on this date.

Fiona Cullen  
Head Teacher

## Term Time Leave:

Changes in the law mean that the Head Teacher no longer has discretion to allow pupils to take term time leave. If you take your child out of school for any reason you will receive a fine for £60 per child per parent. This means that the mum will be fined £60 for each child and the dad will be fined £60 for each child.

The government monitors school attendance. They look at persistent absence. If your child has attendance of 90% or less they are deemed persistent absences and we are asked to follow this up and refer to the Local Authority who could take you to court. At court the penalty is either a very large fine £1000 or imprisonment. Please avoid keeping your child off school unless they are very sick and certainly DO NOT TAKE THEM OUT OF SCHOOL WHEN THE SCHOOL IS OPEN. Please wait until the holidays

## Dates for your diary

Monday 5th December to Friday 9th December  
– Christmas performances

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1.30pm last day of term

21st Dec – 4th January - School closed  
Christmas Holiday

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January - First day of the spring term.



### Roll of Honour

This is a special board next to Ms Cull's office. If a child does something special outside school or becomes a times table titan their photograph will be displayed for everyone to see.

**Please be reminded that every child in year 5 or 6 should be a times table titan. If your child is not one yet please help them to learn all their times tables.**

### East Ham Christmas Festival

It was great to see so many of our children and parents involved in this year's Christmas light switch on.

The lanterns looked brilliant and the senior choir sang beautifully.

I was also pleased to see that children and parents who were not involved were also supporting the performers.

Thank you so much your support which is vital to encourage our children.

I am delighted to announce that Nelson were the winners of the Lantern Competition. Well done to all the children in the Art Club and to Mrs Wilton and Mrs Pennington for another winning design

### Hand ball

On Wednesday our newly formed Hand Ball team performed very well by reaching the quarter finals. They have developed some excellent skills and are ready to perform in the next tournament.



### PE Kit

I am very worried that a large number of children are forgetting their PE kit or wearing the wrong clothes. Please make sure your child has a blue school PE T shirt available from Ian Howard Uniform shop on the Barking Road.

PE uniform:

Blue school PE t shirt

Navy blue shorts or leggings

Plimsolls or trainers

These must be placed in a draw string bag.

