



# Newsletter

Week ending 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Message from the head teacher



Dear Parents/ carers

This has been another exciting week at Nelson - Year 6 became surgeons; dissecting hearts to learn how blood flows through our bodies and Year one have explored the beautiful temple in East Ham. It is great to see our teachers planning such great activities to ensure that learning comes alive and is remembered by our children. Don't forget to talk to your child about what they are learning!

We are looking forward to parents coming to school next week for our learning review meetings. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and see what they are learning well and what you can do to support them to get better with their learning. We will be having our second hand uniform out so that you have an opportunity to get items of uniform for your child if it is needed.

Kind regards

Fiona Cullen

## Attendance This Week

Year N2	79.4%
Year R	82.1%
Year 1	85.2%
Year 2	89.9%
Year 3	94.1%
Year 4	92.2%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	95.8%

## Times Table Titans

<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 5</u>
Savinitha	Aaron
Ibrahim (T1)	Zainab
Zayan	Muntaha
Mahir	Alishba
Samiul	Viktoria
Alfie	Lois
Jannat	Rekaya
Sharvisana	Aqsa
Alisha (T2)	Anthony
	Gapish
	Abiha
<u>Year 6</u>	Abdullah
Jayden	Jamila
	Ishaq
	Izaan
	Fizan
	Maanasi

### Year 6 at the Gurdwara

Year 6 visited the Gurdwara Singh Sabha in Barking to learn more about the Sikh faith as part of their RE lessons.



### **Some thoughts on the visit!**

On Tuesday 4th October, we went to Barking Gurdwara. They showed us around the prayer room and the dining room where the food is free for anyone to eat. They were very welcoming and nice. I was really intrigued in learning about Sikhism- what fascinated me the most was the picture of a Sikh female warrior - Mai Bhago. It showed how Sikhs both men and women try to be equal.

Tanisha M5

At the Gurdwara, we learnt about the Sikh Holy Book - The Guru Granth Sahib and the symbols for Sikhism - the five K's Kesh (hair), Kangha (comb), Karra (steel bracelet), Kachhera (shorts) and Kirpan (sword). We learnt what these symbols meant and how they treat the holy book with respect. We got to ask lots of questions about the Sikh religion.

Saifan M5



### Harvest Festival

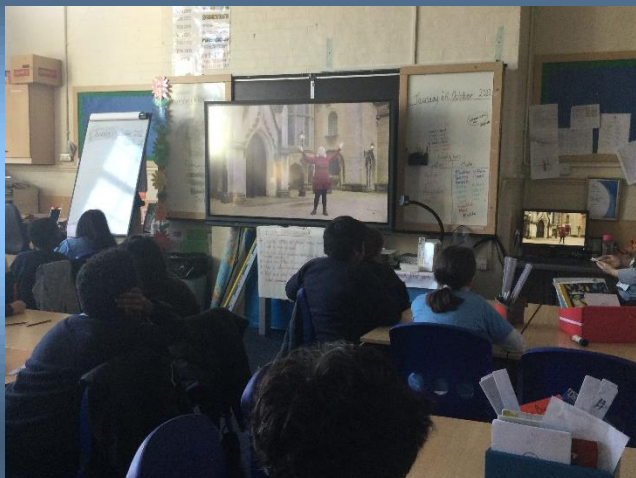
Thanks again for all of your generous donations to our harvest festival this week. The food has now been received by the foodbank who are very grateful for the support. Thanks to our house captains for sorting all of the food out and getting it ready for collection.





### Celebrating National Poetry Day

Year 5 and 6 pupils celebrated national poetry day on 6<sup>th</sup> October by watching a live lesson on the BBC. They listened to a poet talk about how they got their ideas and then got to write their own poems based on the theme of nature. The lessons were enjoyed by everyone and some great poems were produced.



### Year 1 visit a Hindu Temple

This week Year 1 went on a trip to the Sri Mahalakshmi Temple in East Ham where they learned about how Hindu people celebrate the festival of Diwali and the story of Rama and Sita. The children loved listening to the music during the Puja ritual and exploring the statues inside the temple.



### **Important dates:**

Monday 17th October	Learning Review Evening- please book your appointment via parentmail
Wednesday 19th October	Learning Review Evening- please book your appointment via parentmail
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	School closed – half term holiday
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	New term starts

### **Attendance / punctuality**

Our staff do an incredible job of teaching your children but this can only happen if they are in school. It is important that **every child comes to school every day**. Please only keep your child away from school if they have a high temperature or an infectious disease.

Please don't take your child on holiday or for visits abroad during school time. This is now against the law and you will be fined by the local authority.

School Terms	Pupils Holidays
<b>Autumn</b> Monday 5th September – Friday 21st October 2022	<b>Staff INSET</b> Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September 2022 <b>Half Term</b> Monday 24th October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Autumn Term 2</b> Monday 31st October to Friday 16th December 2022	<b>Christmas Break</b> Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023
<b>Spring Term 1</b> Wednesday 4th January 2023 to Friday 10th February 2023	<b>Staff INSET</b> Tuesday 3rd January 2023 <b>Half Term</b> Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February 2023
<b>Spring Term 2</b> Tuesday 21st February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023	<b>Staff INSET</b> Monday 20th February 2023 <b>Spring Break</b> Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023 <b>Staff INSET</b> Monday 17th April 2023
<b>Summer Term 1</b> Tuesday 18th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023	<b>Half Term</b> Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023 <b>May Day</b> Monday 1st May 2023
<b>Summer Term 2</b> Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 21st July 2023	<b>Summer Break</b> Monday 24th July – (to be advised)

School will not be closed for any of the religious festivals:

In-service training days: This calendar includes 5 days which has been allocated for in-service training, however this may be subject to change.