



## Weekly Newsletter Friday May 28th 2021

### Message from the Headteacher

We hope that you have a restful half term- we know how hard children have been working. Have a go at the **Family Homework** the topic is **Wellbeing**. There are lots of activities which promote physical and mental well being. We continue to check for updated government and local covid guidance for schools to inform our systems. We will continue to take a cautious approach; but will make changes if appropriate. We acknowledge with parents just how difficult this period of change is, as the government relaxes the covid rules.

### Attendance

Nursery-89%  
Reception- 94%  
Yr 1- 93%  
**Yr 2- 98%**  
Yr 3- 95%  
Yr 4- 95%  
Yr 5- 96%  
Yr 6 - 93%

**The class with the best attendance is Yr 2 with 98% - well done!**

### WD Wrap Around Care

Wrap around Care is available for all children. Contact Florida on the admin email if you want to book sessions. All information is available on the website:  
<http://www.williamdavis.org.uk/william-davis-wraparound-care.html>

### Saturday Gardening

Please see /contact Annika if you are interested in participating in a Saturday gardening session. Our volunteers are enthusiastic to engage with families.

### Big Question



**What does a fly see + think?**

**Choose an animal and imagine what the world would be like from their perspective.**

## POETRY BY HEART

### What The Fly Thinks

by Gertrude Heath

A fly went buzzing over my head;  
Buzz-z! Buzz-z!  
And what do you think the little fly said?  
Buzz-z! Buzz-z!

I saw two babies as I flew by  
Begin to quarrel and then to cry!  
Pretty children, their Grandma thinks,  
Calls them her "Rosy-posy pinks!"

What does it mean when the babies cry?  
Isn't it better to be a fly?  
Babies laugh though, coo and smile,  
Shriek with laughter once in a while.

Wonder what creatures with two legs do!  
I never would live with so very few!  
How do they ever get about?  
Wonder who pulled their other legs out!

There! They're going! How queer they crawl!  
Funny world! Said the fly on the wall!  
A fly went buzzing over my head,  
Buzz-z! Buzz-z!  
And these are the words the little fly said,  
Buzz-z! Buzz-z!



### Star of the Week



**Arifa Yr 2** was chosen to be Star of the Week because she has been a fantastic friend in the playground and really demonstrates the value of care. She's also shown great communication: always speaks in a polite voice and greets adults every morning.

### Zoom RHE Parent Survey

Thank you to all parents who have taken time to respond to the survey.

### Parents Ofsted Survey

Please complete the annual Ofsted survey for parents which will be sent by text as a Google Document. Paper copies are also available in the office.

**Deadline Monday June 7th.**

### Volunteer Parent Helpers

Thank you to Yasmin & Amina for helping out with food parcels.

### Important dates

**Mon 31st May- Fri 4th June 2021** half term holiday

**Fri 11th June** Gorsefield Yr 6

**Mon 12th July** Sports Day EYFS

**Tue July 13th** 2-7pm Parent Conferences

**Tues July 13th** Sports Day Yrs 1-3

**Wed July 14th** Sports Day Yrs 4-6

**Thur July 15th** -

**Fri 16th July** - Yr 6 leavers event for parents pm + last day of term

### Clubs

Clubs continue after half term. Please encourage your child to sign up. New clubs include **Drama** and **Gardening**. Clubs with spaces include Creative Writing, Art, Chess and Gymnastics.

### Felix Project

Food distribution 1:15 every Friday for parents in need.

## The WD Gallery



Start of the Day at WD by Geetika in Yr 5 - Can you spot Annika?



Friendship Squad poster by Ali Yr 3



Friendship Squad poster by Tahmid Yr 3



Please check out this monthly newsletter - it has lots of excellent book recommendations for your children:

<https://misterbodd.files.wordpress.com/2021/05/no-shelf-control-1.pdf>

The collage displays several pages from the 'No Shelf Control' newsletter. Key sections include:

- Top Left:** 'No Shelf Control' header with a date of 10th May 2021 and a 'Books with Louie Stowell' section.
- Top Middle:** 'This Month's Book Reviews' section featuring 'Noah's Gold' by Frank Cottrell Boyce & Steven Laitman, 'Factopia' by Kate Hale & Jody Smith, 'Pop!' by Mitch Johnson, 'How to be cooler than cool' by Sean Taylor & Jean Johnson, and 'One To Wait for...' by Proulx Jones-Biddolph.
- Top Right:** 'Crater Lake - Evolution' section featuring 'The Plesiosaur's Neck' by Dr Adam S. Smith, Jonathan Emmett & Adam Larkum, 'The Life and Time of Lonny Gulcke' by Kirsty Agglebrown, and 'Rainbow Grey' by Louise Ellis Anderson.
- Bottom Right:** '9 Books about... The Environment' section featuring a list of books including 'Greta and the Giants', 'What A Waste', 'King of the Swamp', 'Belobina', 'Kids Fight Plastic', 'Somebody Swallowed Starling', 'A Planet Full of Plastic', 'How to Save the World', and 'Tidy'.

## The Local Offer online information for families

The Tower Hamlets Local Offer contains information about services that are available to children, young people and families in Tower Hamlets. It includes information and advice about the help on offer for people with special educational needs and disabilities from birth to 25 years.

This is the link to the THs Local Offer link : <https://www.localoffertowerhamlets.co.uk/> Contact: Family Information Service. Telephone: 020 7364 6495 or email [fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk)



## Idea Store – Every Child a Reader

Over the past year, children missed out on chances to explore reading for pleasure. Idea Stores are the perfect place to engage children with books.

### Borrowing Books

Idea Stores are now open seven days a week: <https://www.ideastore.co.uk/about-us>. Children and families are encouraged to browse and choose their favourite books.

### Membership

Membership is done online, here: <https://www.ideastore.co.uk/join-today>. Parents fill in the online form for children, obtain a temporary membership number, then collect their library cards on their next visit to Idea Store. An adult signature is needed for access to PCs in the library.

### Leaflets

In line with government's regulations, our children's activities are suspended, and our standard leaflets cannot be used. We run a programme of online events, and I attach the leaflet. You are welcome to print it off and distribute it to families as a way of encouraging contact with Idea Stores. The programme is also available online here: <https://www.ideastore.co.uk/children-families>.

## Cycle Training for adults and families

[www.bikeworks.org.uk](http://www.bikeworks.org.uk)

**Family cycle training** courses (during school holidays) - for parents and kids between 3 and 6.

**Cycle skills for adults (start from complete beginners)** - 5 hours of one-to-one (or in pairs if preferred) free training with a qualified cycle instructor. Female cycling instructors can be requested. Bikes provided if needs be. Cycle skills sessions last for one or two hours and are available at a time and day of the week that suits you. Training is available for complete beginners through to experienced cyclists.

**Cycle commuter training** - a professional instructor will help individuals plan and ride the safest and most convenient route from home to work. Each participant is entitled to two such hourly sessions.

TH info:

[https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgnl/transport\\_and\\_streets/cycling/cycle\\_training.aspx](https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgnl/transport_and_streets/cycling/cycle_training.aspx)

Bikeworks info:

<https://www.bikeworks.org.uk/bikeability-in-tower-hamlets>





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## Tower Hamlets has one of the lowest Covid-19 testing rates in London and we need your help to change it.

Testing finds Covid-19 cases and stops further spread, because people can self-isolate when they know they are positive. This protects everyone.

In recent weeks, a small number of Covid-19 variants of concern have been identified in Tower Hamlets. These variants of concern were first identified in Brazil and South Africa.

These variants of concern are not more harmful but may be more easily spread or respond to current vaccines differently.

**This is why everyone aged 11 and over should take a free Covid-19 test, even if you have no symptoms.**

For more information on how you can get a test, please visit: [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/gettested](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/gettested)

Or call our helpline **020 7364 3030**, open 9-5 Monday to Friday.

