



WEEKLY NEWS Friday 10th January 2020

Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back to the spring term at William Davis and Happy New Year! I hope that families have had a restful holiday. This term in our assemblies we are focusing on how we can care for our planet earth. We talked about New Year resolutions this Tuesday; January is a good time to look back and reflect; and to look forward and to start again with good intentions. Our theme is Caring for the Environment; our values that we will think about are Care and Responsibility. Children were very aware of "significant world events" that are taking place right now. We will try to think about how we can live our lives in a respectful, responsible and caring manner.

Attendance and Punctuality

Our autumn report for attendance shows a dip to 95.4% for Yr1-6 and 87% for Reception. This is mainly due to sickness and extended leave- holidays in term time. Please make sure that **your child is in school every day** unless sick & phone school to let us know. We want children to aim for 100%

Whole School Attendance Attendance

Nursery -63%
Reception -74%
Yr 1—79%
Yr 2— 76%
Yr 3— 78%
Yr 4—81%
Yr 5—83%
Yr 6- 93%
Well done to Yr 6 -93%

Bee Family Homework

Thank you to all families that supported their children to complete their Bee FHW. Children shared their homework in assembly and class. They shared: bee mobiles, bee and honey research and honey recipes.

Important Dates

Mon 13th Jan + Thurs 16th Jan E1 Scholars starts at Swanlea (Yr 5&6)

Fri 31st Jan 9:00 am WD PR in the community mtg- all interested welcome

Wed 5th Feb 9 am – Exploitation workshop for parents (Hamlets- Social Care)

Mon 17th Feb- Fri 21st Feb 2020 half term holiday

Mon 6th April to Fri 17th April 2020 Easter holiday

Mon 25th May- Fri 29th May 2019 half term holiday

Friday 17th July 2020 last day of term

WD Play

Please contact Forida on 0207 7391511 admin@williamdavis.towerhamlets.sch.uk if you would like to book your child/ren in to **WD Play** our daily after school club- childcare.

Charges: £5 one hour; £8 two hours
3yr olds: £7 one hour, £10 two hours

Bee Calendar

Order your Bee Calendar in the office- £4.50
We still have a few left to sell.

Liveable Streets

Help shape the future of Brick Lane

Join the workshops later this month to help design improvements to roads in Brick Lane to improve road safety and air quality. They will be running two identical workshops for residents on the dates listed below. To reserve your place, visit our Eventbrite page.

Saturday 25 January, 10am – 12:30pm at Brady Arts & Community Centre, 192-196 Hanbury St

Wednesday 5 February, 6 – 8.30pm at Christ Church Primary School, 47a Brick Lane

Book a place using this email:

LiveableStreets@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Yr 6 SATs Revision Books

Year 6 parents are asked to buy SATs revision books for £5 (set of 3 retailing at £15). Please pay Forida asap. Children will be set work to complete each week using these books.

Reading

Parents- please make sure that your children are **reading daily**. Reading is a key to **developing children's academic skills**. You need to establish excellent **reading habits** at home. Children can borrow books from the library as well as from school.

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the Christmas fayre and made it a success!

We raised: **£392.66**

The money raised will be used to buy new playground equipment.

WD PR Working Party

If you are interested in joining a **WD in the community PR working party** please see Shahista or Annika. We want to work with parents and staff to make sure the community knows all that the school has to offer.

Our New Communication

Targets -To be a Successful Communicator you need to:

- use talk to solve problems
- be good at explaining how we are feeling

Exploitation Workshop for Parents

Wednesday 5th February 9 am
This is a session run by Tower Hamlets for parents and focuses on gangs.