

William Davies Primary School

Newsletter

November 2016 Edition



Quote from our 2016 Children's Survey

"I like how everybody works together as a team and helps each other."



VISIT FROM DR BIKE

We had a visit from the Dr Bike, who offered a free breakfast and free bike maintenance for those who ride their bike to school. Dr Bike was on hand with tools and small spares to make sure our bikes are healthy and safe to ride. We had an overwhelming response, with around 50 children attending for breakfast and over 60 bikes receiving free health checks!

Thank you, Dr Bike!



This year we raised just over £300 for Children in Need!

Abdullah from School Council explains how we did it.

We asked all classes to run a bake sale on different days of the week. There were so many cakes that we decided to have cake sales after school as well.

Thank you to all parents and carers for giving cakes for the bake sale.

Ofsted

We are pleased with the outcome of our recent Ofsted inspection. The inspector met with children, staff and governors. Ofsted judged us to be a 'good' school. The full report is on the website.

Safeguarding

We are delighted to announce we have appointed a new team of E-Safety cadets who are responsible for encouraging smart and safe behaviour on the internet. Online safety is a growing concern, and we ask all parents and carers to remain vigilant when your child is online.

Important Dates

14th December – Festival Dinner & last day of clubs

20th December – EYFS Nativity & Christmas Carol Performance with refreshments, and the last day of term.

School reopens for all children

on 4th January 2017

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**“THE THING I LIKE MOST ARE THE TEACHERS
BECAUSE THEY ARE FUNNY, RELIABLE AND I THINK
I CAN SHARE ALL MY FEELINGS WITH THEM.”**

Quote from the Children’s 2016 Survey

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

Every year we have an action plan of what we are focusing on in school. The governors agree, review and monitor these priorities throughout the year. The governors met with staff about these targets during our governors ‘Come to School day’ in November.

Here are our key targets from our plan for 2016-2017.

1. Ensure teaching is of a high quality.
2. Ensure that all children make progress by the end of KS2 and that many achieve above expected standards in reading, writing and maths.
3. Ensure children have a great start to education, making rapid progress in Early Years towards national expectations.
4. Improve comprehension across the curriculum.
5. Embed ‘*Maths-No Problem!*’ across the school.
6. Explore and research the most effective strategies of feedback.
7. Adopt a more inclusive approach to parental engagement.
8. Continue to develop a broad and balanced curriculum by increasing children’s cultural capital.
9. Strategically monitor the Newham North Learning Partnership and plan for the ongoing status and governance of the school.
10. Review and reduce school expenditure through funding efficiencies.



Year 1 shared what they had learned about Guru Nanak in a sharing assembly.

SURVEY

The results of our Children and Parent Surveys are in, with lots of positive and constructive feedback to help us improve our school. Below are some key findings of the survey.

100% of parents believe their child finds learning enjoyable all, or most, of the time.

99% of parents think our school is friendly and welcoming all, or most, of the time.

98% of parents say their child feels safe all, or most of the time.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the surveys, your feedback is important to us.

Childcare Survey

We would appreciate you taking the time to complete a childcare survey. All information is anonymised and there is a prize draw with a chance to win £100 of shopping vouchers. The survey can be completed online and is found here:

www.newham.gov.uk/childcaresurvey

Absence

If your child is absent please notify the school office on
0208 472 3864

For more information regarding absence and attendance, please visit our website.

Governors

Our school governors are always interested to hear from you. If you would like to contact a governor there are two post boxes, one in our front entrance and one at the Bristol Road entrance.

Alternatively, you can email:

governors@williamdavies.newham.sch.uk