



### Weekly Newsletter Friday March 17th 2023

#### Message from the Headteacher

We appreciate parents' support and understanding during the teachers strike action. Teachers' primary concern is ensuring that schools are well funded so that children get a good education. We appreciate the fact that they have had no pay on strike days in order to raise our shared concern for poor funding of school resources, staffing and premises.

#### Stars of the Week



**Yr 3 Zam Zam** for putting herself forward and engaging so well on the class trip to Epping Forest.  
**Yr 6 Eliza** for working hard to achieve 100% in AR tests; and for being a motivated reader.

#### Attendance

N= 97%  
R= 93%  
Y1= 81%  
Y2= 83%  
Y3= 88%  
Y4= 95%  
Y5= 93%  
Y6= 97%

**Well done to Yr 6. They achieved 97% attendance.** Please ensure that your child is in every day; **most class attendance remains below expectations of 95%.**

#### Family Whole School Trip

Do you have any good ideas for a low cost family trip? See Annika or Charlotte. It must be accessible for all ages and all families. Travel must be accessible for parents with buggies and young children; and costs must be minimal to include all.



FRIDAY 17 MARCH

Thank you to all parents who supported Red Nose Dress-up Day. All funds raised will be sent to the charity. Once counted we will inform you how much has been raised.

#### Oracy Target

Our oracy target this week is:

**I can summarise my thoughts about a big idea in clear sentences:**

'I think...'

'This lesson we learned...'

Please encourage your children to practise summarising their ideas. They could tell you about what they have learned in a lesson or what they have read.

#### Parent Sessions

**Coffee Morning** on Wednesdays 9-10 am in the Parents Rm run by Yasmin- all welcome

**Toy Library** Thursdays Hoyam and Dilara  
**Felix Food Project** Friday 2:30-3:30 run by Yasmin, Hoyan, Muna

#### WD Wrap Around Care

Wrap Around Care ( childcare) is available for all children. Contact Florida on the admin email if you want to book sessions. All information is on the website: [William Davis' Wraparound Care](#)

#### Attendance reviews

We will be holding attendance reviews for classes on the below dates for all children with attendance below 90%. Parents will be expected to attend.  
**Friday March 24th 9:00 am Yr 2 and 3**  
**Friday March 31st 9:00 am Yr 1 and Rec**

#### Year 5 Big Sing

We have 15 tickets for parents to join the Yr 5 Big Sing performance in Bishopsgate on Monday 20th March. Contact the office if you would like to go.

#### World Book Day Class Web Books & Podcasts

Classes have created whole class books that parents can purchase. Just use the link below. You can order a web and/or paper book. [School Creative Projects – Potato Print](#)

#### Please see Posters and Pictures Below

★ Holiday Club Mile End

#### Uniform Stall

Look out for our new monthly uniform stall on a Friday afternoon. Parents, Hoyam and Dilara will be running this.

#### Important dates 2022-23

**22nd March- Friday, 21 st April**  
Ramadan  
**Tue 21st March 2:45 pm** Yr 1 & 2 music concert for parents  
**Fri March 24th 9:00 am** Yr 2&3 attendance meetings ( below 93%)  
**Mon 3rd April to Fri 14th April**  
Easter holiday  
**Mon 17th April** Term starts  
**Fri 21st April Eid Al-Fitr school closed**  
Mon May 8th Bank Holiday for the King's coronation  
Tue May 9th- 12th Yr 6 SATs week  
Mon May 15th INSET day  
Wed 24th May Sports Day tbc  
Mon 29th May- Fri 2nd June half term holiday  
June/ July Yr 5 and 6 intensive swimming sessions  
June 9th-12th Gorsefield  
Wed 28th or Thurs 29th June Eid Al-Adha not confirmed  
Fri 30th June summer fayre  
Wed 19th July Yr 6 performance  
**Thur 20th July date last day of term**

#### Ramadan

We anticipate that the month of fasting will start on Wednesday. Children want to participate in fasting, however we ask you to manage this at weekends. We have sent a letter to the parents of Yr 6 children. If Yr 6 parents want to allow fasting in school, they will have to meet with Annika or Charlotte in advance and agree how fasting is managed safely. We do our best to plan fasting taking into consideration the physical activity in the curriculum.



### Parent Volunteer Class Trips

Please see Annika if you would like to volunteer to support class trips. It is always helpful to have 2-3 additional adults to support.

### Support with Parenting

Please see Annika if you are concerned about your child's behaviour at home. Sophie (THEWs) has spaces for 1-1 sessions as well as group sessions.

### Parent Volunteer Gardening

Our gardening volunteers have to finish; if you would like to help us keep the playground tidy please see Annika.



### Parent Volunteers Needed to Read in EYFS

Could you give time to read with children in Nursery in the mornings? If so please see Charlotte or Annika.

### Women's Health and Family Services

Brady Centre  
192-196 Hanbury Street  
London E1 5HU  
To request support or advice, please email [support@nour-dv.org.uk](mailto:support@nour-dv.org.uk)

These are the contact details for Laura who attended the coffee morning last week. She is happy for parents to contact her for support.

### Reading for Pleasure

Are you a member at the Whitechapel Ideas Store? Why not join this weekend and be a regular visitor to borrow books for you and your children.



Please the website to find opening times:

[Idea Store Whitechapel](http://www.idea-store.com)

### Online Safety

Keeping children safe online is our joint responsibility. Make sure that you have parental controls in place; and that you know the sites and Apps that your children use. Check the school's online safety policy on the website.

<http://www.williamdavis.org.uk/safeguarding-and-child-protection.html>

### Yr 6 Gorsefield

Please note we have been allocated new dates for Gorsefield over a long weekend Fri June 9th- Mon June 12th. We are grateful for this opportunity.

### Fathers and Male Carers

**Fathers Football** at Thomas Buxton Friday mornings - see Russell/ Annika.

**Fathers Coffee Morning** -after Ramadan , date tbc

# WANTED

### Empty tin cans ( 400g size)



### Old jeans



### Old magazines



Please bring them to the office

## SCHOOL'S OUT

3RD - 14TH APRIL

Get ready for an egg-citing Easter break as we've got a basketful of fun and quirky activities to keep the whole family entertained.

### Every day

- Soft Play (indoor adventure playground)
- Swim for All (family swim sessions)

### Weekdays

- Junior Gym (11-15 years old) 11am - 1pm and 4pm - 7pm
- Sports short courses (football, gymnastics, trampolining and athletics) 1 hour each day

### Monday – Thursday

- Holiday club (5-16 years old) 9am - 5pm

### Thursdays

- Table tennis drop-in 2pm - 3pm

### Weekends

- Junior Gym (11-15 years old) 11am - 1pm and 4pm - 6pm

Book your child's place at  
[better.org.uk/mile-end](https://better.org.uk/mile-end)





### EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

MILE END PARK LEISURE CENTRE AND STADIUM

Looking for something to keep the kids entertained this holiday? Why not spend it with us. Our holiday club activities include:

- Trampolining
- Football
- Swimming
- Arts and Crafts
- Under 8 indoor adventure playground
- Plus much more

Free funded spaces are available for children on Free School Meals. Children must attend a Tower Hamlets school, be aged 5-16 and be in receipt of free school meals to access this offer.

To register your interest please email: [mileendparkic@gll.org](mailto:mileendparkic@gll.org)

3RD - 13TH APRIL  
5-16 YEARS  
£21.20 PER DAY



BETTER



## KEEP THE KIDS ENTERTAINED THIS EASTER HOLIDAY

Our holiday club runs Monday - Thursday during each school holiday between the hours of 9am - 5pm (including bank holidays). Free funded spaces are available for children on Free School Meals. Children must attend a Tower Hamlets school, be aged 5-16 and be in receipt of free school meals to access this offer. Each day, children will participate in a number of different activities, ranging from sports to arts and crafts.

- Standard day: 9am - 5pm
- 4 day week: 9am - 5pm (Monday - Thursday)

Let the kids enjoy a range of activities, including:

- Trampolining
- Football
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Arts & crafts
- Gymnastics
- Bouncy Castle
- Athletics
- Basketball
- Plus much more

To register your interest please email: [mileendparkic@GLL.ORG](mailto:mileendparkic@GLL.ORG)