

# September Newsletter

Plaistow  
Primary School  
and Children's Centre



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a lovely summer holiday and are rested and ready for the year ahead.



## CLASSES

Miss Deborah Anderson - Nursery  
Mrs Sultana Zarin - Reception - RZ  
Ms Joanne Stokes - Reception - RS  
Mrs Safiya Aswat - Year 1 - 1A  
Mrs Habiba Begum - Year 1 - 1B  
Ms Aisha Ahmad - Year 2 - 2A  
Ms Nuzhat Ahmed (Trainee Teacher) - Year 2 - 2A  
Ms Rabeya Islam - Year 2 - 2I  
Ms Gurpreet Rooprai - Year 3 - 3R  
Mrs Ruby Khanum - Year 3  
Ms Lynsey Goh - Year 3 - 3G  
Ms Stephanie Terence - Year 4 - 4T  
Ms Nasima Begum - Year 4 - 4B  
Ms Wajiha Ahmed - Year 4 - 5A  
Mr Frankie Owens (Trainee Teacher) - Year 5 - 5A  
Mr Olatayo Fagbemi - Year 5 - 5F  
Mrs Abenaa Abbey - Year 5  
Ms Sabera Din - Year 6 - 6D  
Ms Tulin Ukuser - Year 6 - 6U

Ms Priya Pankhania and Ms Donna Stokes have joined the senior leadership team as Assistant Head teachers and will be working in Y5 & Y6

We are also welcoming the following teaching assistants:

Mrs Rekha Kumari, Miss Ajaratu Masawudu and Miss Kate Wilson

## DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept** - Y6 parents meeting 3.45pm - Secondary School Application  
**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept** - 9.15am - KS2 parents meeting - English & Maths  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept** - British History Day  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept** - 6U @ Epping Forest  
**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept** - 6D @ Epping Forest  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept** - Macmillan Coffee Morning - 9.15am in the Rainbow Room  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept** - EYFS parents meeting for Phonics  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept** - Oliver Twist Theatre performance for Y1-Y6  
**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct** - Book Fair every day after school  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct** - Parents Evening 3.45pm to 6.45pm  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct** - Parents Evening 3.45pm to 5.45pm  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Governors Curriculum Committee - 5pm  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Governors Standards Committee - 6pm  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Metropolitan Police - safety workshops  
**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct** - 5A @ Science Museum  
**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Metropolitan Police - safety workshops  
**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct** - 5F @ Science Museum  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Governors Finance Committee - 5.30pm  
**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Y1 Art Workshops - all day @ Plaistow Primary  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Y3 Art Workshops - all day @ Plaistow Primary  
**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Black History Day

**Half Term Break - School Closed to pupils from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct** - National Holocaust workshop - 6U @ Plaistow Primary

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct** - National Holocaust

workshop - 6D @ Plaistow Primary

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Y2 drumming workshop @PPS

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Governing Body meeting - 6pm

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Anti-Bullying Week

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Anti-Bullying show - all pupils Y1-Y6

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov** - RS @ Stratford Theatre - Gruffalo show

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov** - RZ @ Stratford Theatre - Gruffalo show

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec** - 6U @ St Pauls Cathedral

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** - 6D @ St Pauls Cathedral

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec** - British Values Day

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Concert - RZ & morning nursery - 9.30am

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Concert - RS & afternoon nursery - 2.45pm

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Lunch

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Concert - KS1 - 9.30am

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Concert - Y3 & Y4 - 9.30am

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Concert - Y5 & Y6 - 2.30pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas parties - from 1.30pm

**Christmas Break School Closed to pupils from  
Friday 21st December 2018 to Friday 4<sup>th</sup>  
January 2019**

## **BOOK FAIR**

We will be holding a book fair from Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Books will be on sale every day after school. There is a great selection of books and the school receives commission from every book purchased.

## **UNIFORM**

We expect all pupils to wear school uniform. Your child will need:

✓Green knitted jumper or cardigan **with a school logo**

✓White polo shirt or school shirt

✓Black or Grey trousers or skirt - **NO JEANS**

They should be encouraged to wear sensible school shoes or black trainers.

All uniform can be purchased from Fashion Stop in High Street North or from Tesco.Com

<https://www.tesco.com/direct/plaistow-primary-school/19432.school>

**Please put your child's name in their clothes.**

## **JEWELLERY**

Jewellery in school is restricted to stud earrings and religious pieces. Watches can be worn by KS2 pupils. Please take jewellery off on PE days.

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Our breakfast club continues to run every day from 8am. If you would like your child to attend we do have spaces available. Priority is given to working parents. The cost is a very reasonable £1 per day, this includes breakfast. Please collect an application form from the office.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Due to an increasing number of pupils with allergies, **we cannot** accept birthday cakes to share. You can bring a bag of lollies to share with your child's class. No sweets with nuts or gelatine.

## **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

School dinners are still free, however if you are on benefits you must make an application for free school meals. You must apply online at <http://www.newham.gov.uk/pages/services/free-school-meals.aspx>

If your child brings a packed lunch they must bring a healthy packed lunch. This should include a sandwich (or similar carbohydrate), some fruit, a drink and if necessary one other healthy snack. Please do not send in sweets or fizzy drinks.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Later this week you will receive a copy of your contact information. Please ensure the information is correct, if there are any changes please write them on the sheet and return to the school office. If the information is correct you do not need to return the sheet. It is essential that we have the correct contact information for you.

## **MEDICAL CONDITIONS**

If your child has a medical condition such as asthma or an allergy and they require medication to control their symptoms please make sure they have their medication in school with them every day and that they know when to take it.

## **MOBILE PHONES**

Pupils are actively discouraged from bringing mobile phones to school. However if your child does need to bring one it must be left at the school office when your child arrives at school. They can collect their phone at the end of the school day. Any

phones found on pupils during the school day will be confiscated.

## **BEHAVIOUR & DISCIPLINE**

We have reviewed our Behaviour and Discipline policy. The full policy is available on the school website. We expect all pupils to follow the school rules and to behave responsibly. In class, teachers use a traffic light system to manage behaviour; good behaviour is rewarded with gold stars which lead to certificates. Each week the class will nominate a member of their class for star of the week; this child will receive a certificate in assembly.

Behaviour outside in the playground is managed through a series of warnings. Pupils who continue to break the rules or whose behaviour continues to be unacceptable will be sent to Bounce Back.

Bounce Back is a lunchtime exclusion which is supervised by the leadership team. Pupils sent to Bounce Back have the opportunity to reflect upon their behaviour and to think about what they will do differently. Letters are sent home to parents if a child is in Bounce Back. After three letters parents will be called in to meet with the head teacher and a fixed term exclusion may be considered.

## **PARENT EVENINGS**

Please make a note on your calendar of our parent evenings. This is a time for you as a parent to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher and it is really important that you attend. We will be sending out letters with appointment times, all you need to do is return the slip with your preferred time.

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October** - Parents Evening - 3.45pm to 6.45pm

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** - Parents Evening - 3.45pm to 5.45pm

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019** - Parents Evening - 3.45pm to 6.45pm

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019** - Parents Evening 3.45pm to 5.45pm

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019** - Parents Evening 3.45pm to 6.45pm

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019** - Parents Evening 3.45pm to 5.45pm

## **ATTENDANCE**

You will be aware that the London Borough of Newham now issue fines to parents whose children fail to attend school.

Attendance at Plaistow is a strength of the school and we thank parents for bringing their children to school every day. If your child is genuinely ill we would not expect you to bring them to school, however on some occasions your child may feel better later in the morning or by the start of the afternoon session, in which case you should bring them into school.

Absence during term time for holidays is no longer permitted. Any child who is absent from school without permission will have unauthorised absence and parents will be fined and their child's name removed from the school roll.



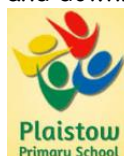
## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

We will be offering a number of after school clubs for pupils in Years 1 - Y6. Letters will go out in the next couple of weeks. Please note that we **cannot** guarantee that you child will get their first choice; we will make every effort to ensure that your child does get a club. Please also note - at this time clubs are still **Free**.

## **COMMUNICATION**

We are trying to ensure that we have all channels of communication available to parents. You can keep up to date by:

- ✓ Using the school website [www.plaistow.newham.sch.uk](http://www.plaistow.newham.sch.uk)
- ✓ Following us on Twitter
- ✓ Reading the monthly newsletter
- ✓ Checking your child's book bag daily for additional letters that have been given out
- ✓ Downloading our new school APP (Google Play for Android and App Store for Apple users). Search Plaistow Primary School, look for the school logo and download the App.



## Plaistow Primary School Term & Holiday Dates - 2018 - 2019

School Terms	Pupil Holidays & School Closures
<u><b>Autumn 1</b></u> Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 to Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2018  32 Pupil Days	<u><b>INSET Days - school closed</b></u> Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2018 Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2018  <u><b>Half Term</b></u> Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2018 to Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2018
<u><b>Autumn 2</b></u> Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2018  40 Pupil Days	<u><b>Christmas Break</b></u> Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2018 to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2019  Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall within the Christmas Break
<u><b>Spring 1</b></u> Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 to Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2019  30 Pupil Days	<u><b>Half Term</b></u> Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019
<u><b>Spring 2</b></u> Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019  30 Pupil Days	<u><b>Spring Break</b></u> Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2019 to Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019  The Easter religious festival falls within the spring break
<u><b>Summer 1</b></u> Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019 to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2019  23 Pupil Days	<u><b>May Day</b></u> Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2019  <u><b>Half Term</b></u> Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2019 to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2019
<u><b>Summer 2</b></u> Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2019 to Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2019  37 Pupil Days	<u><b>Summer Break</b></u> Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2019 to To be advised

192 Pupil Days

2 INSET days to allocate

No closures for Eid-ul-Fitr, Diwali or Guru Nanak - these have been taken off the summer term. Pupils will be granted only **one day** for the purpose of religious observance