

NEWS CORNER

The latest news and information about Mulberry Wood Wharf Primary.



13th September 2024

Welcome from Sarah Jane

I am thrilled to welcome you all back for another exciting school year, a very warm welcome to our new families too, it has been an absolute pleasure meeting you all again this week.

This year marks a particularly special chapter for us as we open the doors to our new building. The space has been thoughtfully designed to foster an inspiring and creative learning environment. With enhanced classrooms, modern facilities, and more room for outdoor activities, this new space will support the growth of our school community in every way.

As we step in to this new phase, we also recommit to the values that define us: *Community, Resilience, Kindness, Creativity, Being Active and Respect*. These principles remain at the heart of everything we do, helping our students not only excel academically but also grow into compassionate, curious, and resilient individuals.

We look forward to a year filled with learning, growth and connection. Let's make the most of this wonderful new space together!

I am incredibly proud of all of the children returning this week, the older pupils have stepped in to their roles with maturity and enthusiasm, becoming role models to the younger pupils. I am also immensely proud of the new Blue Whale and Tiger Class pupils. We know starting school can feel a little daunting, but we are so proud of how brave and resilient the children have been. They are already showing great courage as they settle in to this new environment, and we are here to support them every step of the way. Rest assured, our staff are dedicated to creating a kind, nurturing and homely space where every child feels safe, valued, and encouraged to explore, learn and grow.

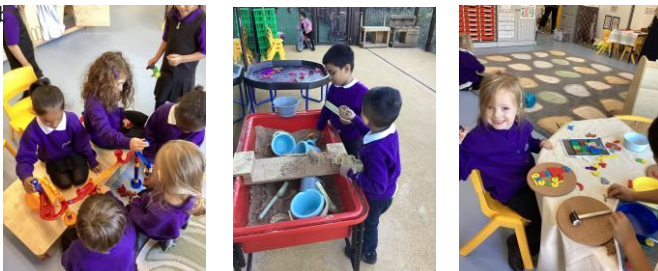
Have a lovely weekend!

Tiger and Blue Whale Class news...

It has been a brilliant first week welcoming our new children into Tiger Class. We have been learning our class routines and accessing the different learning areas in our indoor and outdoor classrooms. The children have very much enjoyed creating water systems and potions in the water area outside. We can't wait to continue learning about our children's interests next week!



Blue whale class have had a wonderful week settling into their new class. The children have explored the different provision areas whether that was mark making, construction, the home corner, or maths. Each area has been explored and the children have been using new vocabulary such as 'structure' in the construction area. It has been wonderful to see the relationships forming and children's personalities shining brighter throughout the days. We are proud of how far they have come in such little time and cannot wait for their learning to



Panda and Lion Class news...

What a marvellous first week it has been for Panda class. It has been a pleasure welcoming everyone and watching children rekindle their friendships. There were lots of smiles and hugs as the class came together. Panda Class love their new classroom. The children showed lots of excitement as they explored the continuous provision and new resources. They have been working really hard to remember new routines and transitions. Thank you to all our grown ups for your cooperation during our morning and end of day routines. I am very proud to begin the year with each other. Well done Pandas!



Lion class have made a fantastic start to the new school year. Lots of children came in smiling, feeling happy and excited to start school in our brand new building. A very warm welcome to the new children and families that have joined and settled in really well! This week we have been learning where different places are in our school such as the playground, toilets and lunch hall and we have learnt how to move around the school building safely. We have been settling into classroom routines, making new friendships and learning through our own interests and play. At the end of each day, as a class we have reflected on our day and shared our feeling and thoughts. Dev said "I loved the playground outside, and inside I played with construction and the castle. It was the best day!" As a rights respecting school, this week we also talked about the importance of having different rights in school and shared what we thought was important to us.

Mysha said we have the right to "listen to a story" and Ashvik said the right to "play with everyone." We wrote everyone's ideas down and created a rights charter in the form of a tree. Well done Lion class, keep up the amazing learning!



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER...

1st October – Elephant Class Offsite Trip

23rd October – NO CLUBS/PREMIER – Staff offsite from 15:45pm for Trust Event

25th October – Break up for Half Term Holiday

4th November – Return to school



New families... please keep an eye on your emails for a message from school ping, we may need to send you a copy of your log on details if you are not receiving anything. Once up and running, the app is very simple to use and has key information about the school at the click of a button!

Elephant Class News...

What a wonderful start Elephant Class has made! The children were excited to reunite with their friends and the MWW team. They have been busy exploring their new classroom, getting to know the learning spaces, and settling into their daily routines. We've also revisited our learning behaviours and had a fantastic discussion about having a positive learning mindset, where mistakes are expected, inspected, and respected.

Together, we worked on developing our class charter, coming up with great ideas for what our learning environment should be like. We've really enjoyed reading the poem *What is Pink?* and are looking forward to performing it for parents soon, complete with a special verse created by the whole class. Stay tuned!



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Parent and Family Support Service

Strengthening Families. Strengthening Communities
parenting programme for Somali parents

Learn to develop strong, healthy relationships with your children and gain simple, practical strategies to manage children's behaviour in a positive way.

Venue:	Malmesbury Primary School, Coborn Street, London E3 2AB.
Date:	Mondays 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd , 30 th September 7 th & 14 th October 2024
Time:	Time: 10am- 12pm
How to refer:	Please contact: 020 7364 6368 or email to parenting@towerhamlets.gov.uk to book your place.
During the course you will:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The process of discipline for positive parenting Enhancing parent-child relationships The benefits of praise Managing conflict situations
It is advised that parents attend all sessions to get the most benefit from the course.	

Parental Engagement Team (PET)
Tower Hamlets

Working with Families Seminar

Wednesday 2nd October 2024
1.30pm – 3.45pm
Arrival from 1.15pm

The Grocers' Wing, Tower Hamlets Town Hall, 160 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BB

This multi agency seminar will provide an overview of work taking place across the borough. There will be an opportunity for participants to meet colleagues and partners from the different sectors that support families. You will also hear about local and national resources to support your work.

The programme will include:

- Information on the upcoming **National Wraparound Childcare Programme** - what this means for schools and families.
- Introductions to services that can support your work with families:
 - Find out how **Children's Social Care** respond to harm outside the home, with the **LETH Exploitation Team**
 - Meet the **LETH Functional Family Therapy Service** and find out how they can support the families you work with.
 - Meet the **RESET Treatment and Recovery Service Family Support Team**, supporting families impacted by substance misuse.
- Find out about other project opportunities and services (including parenting programmes, courses and workshops delivered by the Parental Engagement Team and other partners) to support your work with families.

For more information or to confirm attendance, please email your name, role, school/organisation and contact details to the Parental Engagement Team: parentengagement@towerhamlets.gov.uk
All places need to be booked and will be confirmed by email!

Working with Families Seminars are organised by the Parental Engagement Team (PET), LETh

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Triple P for Baby

Are you expecting a baby or are you a new parent with a baby under 12 months?

Join the Triple P for Baby programme

The programme will help you to:

- Adjust to life with your new baby
- Build a close relationship with your baby
- Support your baby's learning and development

Course structure

- Four weekly, classroom-based group sessions with other new parents
- Plus four individual consultations with a practitioner to reflect on your progress

Course content

- Creating the best environment for your baby
- Responding to your baby's cues
- Handling crying and comforting your baby
- Promoting good sleep habits
- Helping your baby learn and develop
- Taking good care of yourself as a new parent

Wapping Children's and Family Centre
Richard St, E1 2JP

Tuesdays
17 September – 1 November
10am - 12.30pm

For more details or to book your place: email: parenting@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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Keeping Children Safe Online
for residents of Tower Hamlets

The internet is amazing. Children and young people can play, learn, create and connect, opening a world of exciting possibilities, but do you worry about the amount of time your child is spending online, using social media or playing computer games?

Find out more about your child's online world and pick up some useful tips to help keep them safe online.

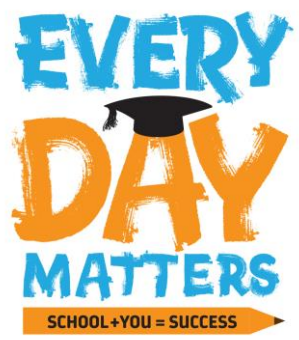
What you will learn:

- How the internet can support learning
- The role of the internet and social media in children's lives
- The dangers – online grooming, cyber bullying, sexual exploitation
- How to keep children safe online
- Dealing with excessive internet use and conflict

Venue: Tower Hamlets New Town Hall, Council Chamber, Whitechapel Road, E1 2BJ

Date: Friday 20th September 2024
Time: 10:00am - 11:15am

Places are limited and must be booked.
To book a place, email: parentengagement@towerhamlets.gov.uk



Mulberry Wood Wharf attendance 2024-25

Going for Gold together!

Watching the children come through the gates for school has been simply wonderful.

As a school we are 'Going for Gold' with our attendance this year as we know how important being in school is for the children's brain development and learning

Our **GOLD Class Attendance** are our classes who have 97+ attendance for a whole week

Our **SILVER Class Attendance** are our classes who have 95-97% attendance for a whole week

Our **BRONZE Class Attendance** are our classes who have 90-95% attendance for a whole week.

Children have been back in school for five days and we are delighted that Blue Whale and Tiger have achieved GOLD class attendance. Panda, Lion and Elephant all achieved BRONZE.

The Department for Education has amended their attendance expectations and processes for schools and families, and these came into effect from the **14th August 2024**. Schools have been sent the flyer below to share with families – this details the implications for absences including absences for the academic year.

PENALTY NOTICES	
New National Framework for Penalty Notices for poor school attendance and unauthorised leave in term time are changing from 19 August 2024.	
<p>Per Parent, Per Child</p> <p>Penalty Notices will still be issued to each parent for each absent child.</p> <p>For example – 2 siblings absent for unauthorised leave in term time will result in each parent receiving two separate fines.</p>	<p>Term Time Leave: 5 consecutive days</p> <p>10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period</p>
<p>First Offence</p> <p>The first time a penalty notice is issued, the amount will be £160 per parent, per child, if paid within 28 days.</p> <p>(Reduced to £80 per parent, per child, if paid within 21 days.)</p>	<p>Second Offence</p> <p>The second time a penalty notice is issued, the amount will be £160 per parent, per child, if paid within 28 days.</p> <p>(There is no reduction for any early payment.)</p>
<p>Third Offence</p> <p>The third time a penalty notice is issued, the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates Court.</p> <p>Fines of up to £2500 per parent, per child, can be issued by the courts.</p>	
<p>BEHAVIOUR AND ATTENDANCE SUPPORT SERVICE London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Town Hall, 160 Whitechapel Road, London E1 1BJ Email: LETHAttendance&WelfareServiceAdmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk Telephone: 020 7364 3450</p>	

