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Back to School

All pupils will return back to school on **Monday 7th June 2021** to start the final half term of the year. Please ensure your child arrives to school on time in the correct uniform.

Walk to School Month

Thank you for encouraging your child(ren) to take part in the *Walk to School Month*. It has been very successful. Here are the figures for each year group and the winning classes:

Class	Total	Winning Class
Reception	463	Ibn Zubayr (294)
Year 1	709	Ibn Salamah (377)
Year 2	435	Ibn Zayd (166)
Year 3	252	Ibn Ali (126)
Year 4	406	Barakah (323)
Year 5	939	Ibn Masood (332)
Year 6	260	Ibn Al-Haarithah (124)
TOTAL	3464	



Well done to the above classes for the most journeys to school by walk during the *Walk to School Month*. Each of these classes will be awarded the mini strider mascot.

Pupil Attendance

The overall attendance figure for last week was **96.9%**. Well done!

Year Group	% Present
Reception	98%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	97.7%
Year 3	97.4%
Year 4	98.1%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	95.6%
Overall	96.9%

Day	% Present
Monday	96.6%
Tuesday	97.6%
Wednesday	96.8%
Thursday	96.7%
Friday	96.3%
Overall	96.9%

Well done to **Reception, Year 2, 3 and 4** for achieving the highest attendance last week (above 97%).

Our whole school attendance figure since the start of the academic year is **96.3%**. Our end of year target is **97%**

After School Clubs

Registration for after school clubs has been extended to **Wednesday 9th June 2021**. This means that we do not plan to start the after school clubs until **Monday 14th June 2021**.

Please remember:

- You can register your child(ren) for a club on as many or as little days as you wish on any of the two sites (NCC or Lower Clapton Road). Siblings can be together on any site.
- Session timings are 3pm – 4pm or 3pm – 6pm.
- All meals are halal. All club leaders are fully vetted.

[CLICK HERE](#) to book a club for your child.

Message from Principal (Mr. Mirza)

Assalamu alaikum (peace be with you)

I hope you have all been enjoying the wonderful sunny weather during this half term break.

Thank you for all efforts last half term. I very much appreciate and am proud of the intensive work you do and the support you give the school to make sure that your child gets the best possible education and outcomes.

I hope you took some time over this half term break to rest, reflect and recharge. Thank you again - and well done. 😊

Thank you to the Year 6 pupils and Mr. Chowdhury for taking part in the booster classes on Weds – Fri this week. I am sure it will help immensely towards the upcoming end of year assessments.

We are now into the final 6 weeks of the academic year. We will provide details about end of year trips/visits for all classes in next week's bulletin. This half term, we will have sports days, themed weeks/days, non-school uniform charity days, and of course a Year 6 graduation event. A lot to look forward to, insha'Allah. Keep on smiling! 😊

Planning Application (Urgent Action)

You will know that we have submitted a Section 73 planning application in order to try and get ALL pupils in our new permanent building in Lower Clapton Road for September 2021.

It is hugely important for all parents to participate in Hackney Council's statutory planning consultation, by writing in support of our application by no later than **Friday 11th June 2021**.

- Step One:** [CLICK HERE](#) to Register for Hackney's Planning Portal
- Step Two:** [CLICK HERE](#) to Visit Hackney Council's Planning Portal and view our Section 73 planning application.
- Step Three:** Scroll to the bottom of the page and write a comment of support.

You can also send comments directly to Hackney Council's Planning Department via planning@hackney.gov.uk

Parking at Lower Clapton Road site

We wish to remind Reception and Year 1 parents again to **not** park anywhere near *St. John's Church Road* or the neighbouring *Church car park*. **Do not** try to park on St. John's Church Road even if you have a Zone D parking permit. **Do not** park in the neighbouring Church car park even if you intend on paying for your parking. Please respect and adhere to the school's instructions and efforts to get all Olive school pupils into one building. Please **do not** be the reason why hundreds of Olive pupils are denied the opportunity to be educated in our permanent building. Please **do not** argue with our traffic marshals or staff and think before you park.

Charity Appeal Gaza

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Assalaamu Alaikum (Peace be with you)

Every year, parents and pupils in Star schools raise impressive sums of money to alleviate poverty and suffering in the UK and beyond. This year has been particularly challenging due to the ravages of Covid-19, which have compounded the problems faced by our own families and communities as well as those many miles away. During the blessed month of Ramadhaan, Star pupils and parents raised over £100,000 for children and impoverished families in our local communities and across the world.

It is with a heavy heart that I turn to you again. The recent conflict in Gaza has caused considerable distress to so many in our school communities – including parents, members of staff and young people. Over the last few days, we have held special assemblies to raise awareness of the conflict in Gaza and have explored with pupils the importance of demonstrating respect – one of our STAR values – for all. Our pupils have been particularly upset to learn about children who have lost their life or been injured or bereaved at this time. We pray for all those who have lost their lives, for those who have been hurt and for those who are devastated by the loss of a loved one.

Many of our pupils have asked if they can raise funds to help improve the lives of children and their families in Gaza. As a result, our Shine Charity is liaising with UNWRA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) to support their work in Gaza. UNWRA has launched an emergency appeal for humanitarian support for those whose lives have been torn apart. UNWRA runs a number of schools which are being used as designated emergency shelters (DESSs). Tens of thousands of displaced Palestinian families have sought safety in these schools. Their needs are urgent and immediate: food, hygiene products, domestic items, health care and psychological support.

We are asking our pupils to raise awareness of this appeal and to ask for donations from family and friends. Once donations are collected by the pupil, parents are asked to transfer the donations to the appeal via Parent Pay from **Monday 7th June 2021**. Lillah, Sadaqah and Zakat donations are all acceptable. Please give as generously as you can – each pound is worth so much more during this difficult time.

We shall be holding a non-school uniform day on **Wednesday 9th June** to encourage further donations. The deadline for all Gaza Charity Appeal donations on Parent Pay is **Wednesday 9th June**.

I pray that you are rewarded abundantly for your kindness (Aameen) and request your prayers again for peace, comfort and harmony for all vulnerable people across our world.

Yours sincerely,



Principal

Uniform Supply for 2021/22 - free delivery throughout June and July

A reminder that the school's approved uniform retailer is Stevensons. All branded uniform items are available to order online through the school's web store on the Stevensons website. To access your child's uniform web store, visit www.stevensons.co.uk, search for the school name and then log in or register to make a purchase.

Our uniform web store is tailored to the school and only includes garments from our uniform policy. Where there are any differences between year groups, they are shown in the web store. Any items that are optional are clearly marked on the website to ensure that you are aware of the choices available.

We have secured a free delivery offer from our supplier, Stevensons, for purchases made this summer. Throughout the whole of June and July 2021, all uniform orders over £25.00 will qualify for FREE Royal Mail delivery (usually £3.75 per order). This saving will be applied automatically to all qualifying orders at checkout. Once on the school's web store, add your uniform items to the basket in the required sizes. When you are ready to checkout, free Royal Mail delivery will automatically be applied to your order if the minimum order value has been met.

Year 4 - Ancient Egypt Themed Day

On Tuesday 15th June, we will be holding an Egyptian theme day in Year 4. We are inviting all pupils in Year 4 to dress up for an Ancient Egypt themed day in class. There are some examples in letter provided but please feel free to use your imagination. There could even be prizes for the best dressed and most effort made! [CLICK HERE to read letter](#).



CULTURE CORNER!



STEM is going to change your life!



It's time we started talking about STEM! Yes, **STEM**. It stands for SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATHS. You know science and maths because you do them in school every week. But have you ever heard the words technology or even engineering? Technology is when we use our science knowledge to develop machinery and equipment. Engineering is when we use science and technology to design, build and construct engines, machines, and structures. It's amazing! The cars you see on the road and the planes you see in the sky are all designed and constructed by engineers. The computers, games consoles and phones we use are also designed and developed by engineers. When you grow up you may even have a job in a STEM subject! :0



#21st June 2021

STEM WEEK

STEM week will begin on 21st June 2021 and there are many challenges that you can complete. Use this website: [45 Easy STEM Activities for Kids - Look! We're Learning! \(lookwerelearning.com\)](http://45 Easy STEM Activities for Kids - Look! We're Learning! (lookwerelearning.com)). For this you will need an inventor's toolbox! Your toolbox will be unique, just like you! You can put in anything that will help you to create. Here are some ideas: pencil, rubber, ruler, measuring tape, sellotape, glue, straws, bottle lids, buttons, empty cartons, bottles, child safe scissors, string, empty toilet rolls and so much more! It's all up to you!

An Engineer is someone who...



An Engineer is someone like you!

A SCIENTIST is someone who...



A SCIENTIST is someone like you!

The Spaghetti Tower challenge!
Use the items below to create a tower/bridge to hold a marshmallow at the top of it for 20 seconds.

You will need:

- ✓ 20 spaghetti sticks
- ✓ 1m Sellotape
- ✓ 1m string
- ✓ 1 marshmallow

Complete the challenge in 18mins!

FUN FACT

Can you believe that the Amazon rainforest is responsible for around 20% of all oxygen on Earth?

