



Woolmore Primary School

NEWSLETTER

November 2015

LEARNING REVIEW MEETINGS WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents,

Last week we had our Learning Review week and I want to say a big thank you to all the parents who came along to talk to your child's teacher about their learning and progress. We had almost 100% attendance (well done parents!) and your feedback tells us how much you value these meetings.

Following on from these meetings we know that we can continue to build our partnership to ensure that our pupils are successful now and in the future. So, whether you are supporting your child by helping them to learn their key words, spellings, times-tables or reading with them I can guarantee that your involvement and help will make a big difference.

We are currently planning a series of workshops that will help you to help your child. Take a look at some of the comments from parents below.

In the last week of this term we will be having our Christmas Concerts. As we now have many more children we will be doing these in three phases – please see the dates in this newsletter. I do hope you will put the dates in your diary and join us.

With kind regards,
Ms Argent

STREET DANCE DAY



On Monday 9th November we were delighted to welcome Andy Instone to Woolmore. Andy is an amazing dancer and choreographer. He has worked with many pop stars across the world and he does all the dance steps for Young Voices.

All the classes in KS2 had a street dance session with Andy, and our Young Voices choir had an extra slot. As well as being an amazing dancer and teacher Andy is full of important messages such as how we all need to make effort and work hard to achieve our dreams (don't let it just be a dream), and that practice makes perfect.

Andy said he had a great day at Woolmore. He thought that the pupils and staff were fantastic and he would definitely come back again. We hope to see you soon Andy!

MATHS LEAGUE

Last Thursday Woolmore was host to the Poplar Partnership Maths League. There were 9 other schools from the borough taking part. We had a great team and we came in 3rd place! Well done to the team! We look forward to the next gathering of mathematical minds.



FAREWELL TASNEEM

Our wonderful home-school worker Tasneem Raja is retiring this December after 25 years of amazing service at Woolmore! During her time here, she has supported parents, helped families, organised workshops and has been a special friend to many of the families. Now it is time for Tasneem to have a well deserved retirement and enjoy her time with her grandchildren.

There is an opportunity for parents to say goodbye to Tasneem on Tuesday 8th December from 2pm – 3pm in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

I will write more about Tasneem in the December newsletter. Please let me know if you would like to contribute your comments to this.

YEAR 6 REUNION – CLASS OF 2015

We will be hosting a reunion for the Woolmore Year 6 Class of 2015. This will be held on Wednesday 25th November at 3.45pm – 5pm.

If you have a child who was in Year 6 last year please remind them of the reunion as we are looking forward to seeing them!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 8th December 2.00 – 3.00pm

Tasneem's retirement party for parents
In the school hall

Christmas Week
Christmas Concerts

Monday 14 Dec @ 2.30 Early Years (Nursery and Reception)

Tuesday 15 Dec @ 2.30 Y1, Y2 and Y3

Wed 16 Dec @ 2.30 Y4, Y5 and Y6

Thursday 17 Dec Parties and own clothes day

Friday 18th December

Last day of term. School ends at 2:30pm

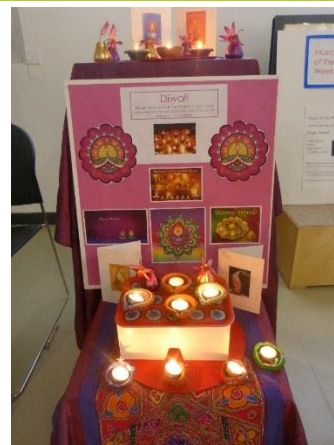
Tuesday 5th January

First day of the spring term for pupils

Don't forget to regularly check our calendar on the school website www.woolmore.towerhamlets.sch.uk

DIWALI

Last week we learned about the festival of Diwali in Assembly. Diwali is often called the Festival of Light and is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. We watched a short film about the celebrations in London and then we lit candles in some beautiful divas which had been made by the pupils in Year 1.



PARENT VOICE

Here are some comments from parents after our meetings last week:

"Great! I really appreciated the opportunity to discuss my child's progress/concerns at a one-to-one level."

"I am going to help my child practise her spellings."

"The nomination for the best school of the 21st Century goes to Woolmore!"

"Brilliant improvements with the new build!"

"Please could we have some workshops to help us help our children?"

"It was a great opportunity to talk privately to my child's teacher and gain feedback about how I and the school can support him."

"Very happy. Thank you."

"I will spend at least 10 minutes every day helping with times tables and reading."

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The Woolmore school uniform is now available in store and online from Khalsa Schoolwear in Bethnal Green.

In-store: Khalsa Schoolwear, 388 Bethnal Green Road, London E2 0AH

On-line at: <http://www.khalsaschoolwear.co.uk/>

CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 20th November, children from our school took part in a Cross Country competition, against five other schools in the borough, at Bartlett Park.

We are pleased to announce the winners for the boys' races: Ahian (Y2) – 2nd place; Maroof (Y3) – 3rd place; Kamil (Y5) – 3rd place; Hasan (Y6) – 3rd place.

The winners for the girls' races are: Samuda (Y2) – 3rd place and Mariam (Y6) – 3rd place.

A huge well done and great effort to everyone who took part!



BADMINTON

Selected pupils from Year 4, 5 and 6 went to Stepney Green School to participate in a badminton competition.

Team A had some successful singles and doubles wins but sadly did not progress to the semi-finals.

Team B made it to the finals (Kamil, Nuha, Morium, Mujahidul, Shadia) and finished in the top 6 out of 16 teams from 8 different schools.

It is great to see so many of the children taking part in the sporting activities and competitions that are taking place. Keep on training!