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## Newsletter - number 6 Friday 13th October 2017

### Flu Immunisation

It's that time of year when the Newham immunisation team are coming back into school to offer the children, from Reception to Year 4, the nasal flu vaccine. The flu is an illness caused by the influenza virus; it is common during the winter months. The vaccination programme is designed to protect your child against flu which can be an unpleasant illness. The Immunisation team will be at school on Tuesday 17th October.

*If you have any questions related to the flu immunisation please read Protecting Your Child Against Flu Leaflet which can be found on the internet.*

### Clubs

Please note there are no clubs running next week. Clubs will start again on **Monday 30th October**.

### Healthy Packed Lunch

We ask that all packed lunches should try and follow the following guidance




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fruit and Vegetables</li> <li>● Meat, fish, egg or other source of non-dairy protein</li> <li>● Oily fish: food such as tinned or fresh mackerel, sardines and salmon.</li> <li>● Starchy food such as bread, pasta, rice, couscous, noodles, potatoes, chapattis and roti.</li> <li>● Dairy: food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt or fromage frais.</li> <li>● Drinks: water only</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Juices, fizzy/sugary drinks in cartons, bottles or cans.</li> <li>● Confectionery such as chocolate bars, chocolate-coated biscuits and sweets</li> <li>● Chocolate spread as a sandwich filling.</li> <li>● Crisps, biscuits or cakes</li> </ul>

We are a **“nut free”** school because we have children in the school who are allergic to nuts, which can be a life threatening condition. Please can you help us to protect these children by being vigilant when bringing any foods into the school.



## Missing School adds up

### LEARNING MISSED IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR

100% Attendance	0 days of learning missed	Best chance of success	
95% Attendance	2 weeks of learning missed	Poor attendance will impact on learning	
90% Attendance	4 weeks of learning missed		
85% Attendance	5 ½ weeks of learning missed	Very poor attendance. You are at risk of prosecution!	
80% Attendance	At least 7 ½ weeks of learning missed		

#### Did you know?

If your child's attendance is 80%, this means

- 1 day EVERY week
- 6 days EVERY half term
- 12 days EVERY term
- 36 days EVERY year
- 180 days in five years...

...That's nearly **ONE WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR!**

Time missed at school can lead to gaps in knowledge that become difficult to fill.

As a parent/carer it is **YOUR** legal duty to ensure your child attends school every day and on time.

**GET YOUR CHILD OFF TO A GOOD START AIM FOR 100% ATTENDANCE, BE PUNCTUAL AND BE SMART!**

## Worried about school attendance?

#### Can we help?

If you are worried or feel there is a problem with your child's attendance come and talk to our Deputy Head Teacher, Mrs Bhangra, or Mowdud Choudhury our Family Support Worker who can provide support.

#### Attendance matters...

Children who attend school every day make better progress and achieve more than those who miss some days or weeks in a learning term.

#### LATENESS ADDS UP!

Being 15 minutes late every day will add up to **TWO WEEKS** of school missed every year!

**Late after registration is closed**  
Children who arrive after 9:00am will be given a late after registration closes mark unless parents can prove that the child has been to a medical appointment. This mark will be coded as a U mark and will bring your child attendance down.

#### Celebrating Excellent Attendance

Each week the class with the best attendance receives a cup and an attendance certificate.

At the end of every term the children with 100% attendance get a reward.

## School Attendance and the Law

The Education Act of 1996 states that it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to ensure that all children between the ages of 5 and 16 years attend school on a regular basis **AND** on time.

Failure to do this may end up in **YOU** being fined and taken to Court.

It is your responsibility to let the school know if your child is going to be absent.  
Please telephone the school office on

020 8472 2523

#### BUT REMEMBER!

The **ONLY** acceptable reasons for non-attendance are:

- Illness or emergency appointments (proof will be required)

#### Government guidelines say that Attendance

##### Holiday & Routine Appointments

Changes in the law mean that Head Teachers no longer have discretion to allow pupils to take holidays in term time. **Do not** take your children out of school for holidays or any medical appointments unless it is an emergency.

Please make sure your child attends school every day and on time!

#### Accompanying this newsletter

\* Reception to Year 6 – A copy of the Primary Times

\* Year 6 – NHS Change 4 Life National Child Measurement Programme