

SPRING TERM DATES

- Monday 5th February: Year 5 visit to Oriental Museum - Durham
 Tuesday 6th February: Y5/6 Girls Basketball at UCA
 Monday 5th February: Year 6 Shakespeare Day
 Tuesday 6th February: Safer Internet Day - 'Create, connect and share respect'
 Friday 9th February: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for half term
 Monday 19th February: **SCHOOL OPENS** after half term
 Monday 12th March: **SCHOOL CLOSED: Professional Development Day**
 Tuesday 27th March: PARENT CONSULTATIONS/ PUPIL REPORTS
 Wednesday 28th March: PARENT CONSULTATIONS/ PUPIL REPORTS
 Thursday 29th March: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for Easter
 Monday 16th April: **SCHOOL OPENS** for Summer term 1
 Monday 7th May: **SCHOOL CLOSED: May bank holiday**
 Monday 14th May: KS2 Year 6 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATS) start
 Monday 21st May: KS1 Year 2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATS) start-group tasks
 Friday 25th May: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for May half term
 Monday 4th June: **SCHOOL OPENS** for Summer term 2
 Friday 20th July: School closes for Summer break.
 Monday 23rd July: School Closed: Professional Development Day

Dear Parents and Carers,

PARENTS QUESTIONNAIRE:

Thank you for your responses. The outcomes are as follows:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
1	My child feels safe at this school.	74%	26%		
2	My child is making good progress at this school.	63%	36%	1%	
3	This school meets my child's particular needs.	63%	37%		
4	This school ensures my child is well looked after.	66%	33%	1%	
5	My child is taught well and encouraged to achieve at this school.	68%	30%		
6	This school helps my child to develop skills in communication, reading, writing and mathematics.	74%	26%		
7	My child receives appropriately challenging homework.	54%	45%	1%	
8	There is a good standard of behaviour at this school.	48%	49%	2%	
9	My child's lessons are not disrupted by bad behaviour.	44%	49%	7%	
10	This school deals with any cases of bullying effectively. (Bullying includes persistent name-calling, cyber, racist and homophobic bullying).	49%	24%	5%	1%
11	I feel I can discuss queries and concerns with the school.	67%	29%	5%	
12	This school helps me to support my child's learning.	64%	36%		
13	This school responds well to my queries and concerns.	63%	33%	3%	
14	This school keeps me well informed. (Newsletter, app, website, text2parents)	70%	29%		
15	The school website communicates information and promotes the achievements of the children.	55%	30%	5%	
16	The school is well led and managed.	66%	34%		
17	The school Governing Body is effective	45%	49%		
18	I would recommend this school to another parent.	Yes	98%	No	1%

We would like to 'Thank you!' for the responses to the following questions which provided an opportunity for comments and suggestions as to how the school can tackle the ongoing parking issues and how, we as a school can offer further support to our families and community. The responses we received are noted overleaf.....

19	<p>Parking is an on-going issue at Newham Bridge Do you have any suggestions to solve this?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Make the roads double yellow lines * Staggered starts/finishes to ease congestion * Walk to school - encourage walking * Use the Endeavour car park / Use empty space behind the shops - walk to school * Request police support - give out fines and parking tickets * Place a zebra crossing on Glendale Road * Install flashing lights to reduce speed * Close / block/ use cones on Cayton Drive to block it off * Take some of the school field to build a car park for parents * Make Cayton / Glendale Road parking permit only for residents * Use drop off zone (Cawood Drive) as a collection point * Provide someone to direct cars at busy times * Request/ encourage Local Authority to send traffic wardens * People need to show respect when parking...many people show no consideration for pedestrians. * We don't feel safe crossing Glendale Road! * Ensure families inform grandparents/ relatives about parking rules * Use bikes * Lollipop lady needed
20	<p>We do have a Parents library....is there anything else we can do to support you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Exercise classes * A charger point (joking!) * IT/Computer courses for parents * Sessions to support parents on how to help children with homework * Ideas welcomed to support the curriculum * Update website/ app more often -school lunch menus, Links to topics, Spellings of the week - often in trays and not brought home.
<p>Further comments and suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * More notice for parents evenings/ consultations * Catchment area needs to be looked at * School disco's something to be considered * Would like more comments in Reading Record, Homework etc * The back gates on a morning are a superb idea to reduce the traffic on Glendale Road. If it could be done at 3.20...Marvellous! * Children enjoy and benefit from After School Clubs.... Thank you! * Prefer recent opportunities to support local charities eg. Foodbank * Homework at weekends too difficult , should be for children not parents * Hearing awful language at the school gates. It would be nice if parents were more considerate about how they speak in front of children. * Language of parents is colourful, quite shocking and often common practice.....this contradicts the fabulous learning environment for the children * Head Lice - infections happen too often. School need to pay attention and do something about the problem * Sometimes miss out on information - often told/ find things out when collecting children at the end of the day * When approached over behaviour - issues can be taken lightly, despite occasional playtime problems <p>We also received many lovely comments from families who consider Newham Bridge to be an excellent school, a caring school, where their children have settled well and are making good progress/ excellent progress. Where individual needs are met and staff engage well with families, pupils feel safe and are well looked after on trips. There were also 'Thanks' expressed to the dedicated staff at Newham Bridge for making it a lovely school.</p>	

We do take your comments, suggestions and concerns seriously and we appreciate your honesty! The School Leadership, Staff and the Governing Body will be considering the issues raised by your comments. Issues will be discussed in our meetings moving forward. Thank you!

Have a lovely weekend!

Regards
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