



Dear Families,

### Keeping safe on the way to school

We have been awarded "Bronze" for our travel plan and for the work we do to encourage children to walk, ride or scoot to school. This gave us access to a fund that gave us new scooter storage racks, which I am pleased to see were immediately filled!

We do, however, still have a number of children coming to school by car each day and I would like to see this number fall. We have very few children who live a long way from school.

Can I please ask if you consider the reasons that you drive and think of the benefits of walking?

I think these include:

**FOR YOU:** getting exercise- for you and your children, avoiding frustrating traffic hold ups, meeting other parents and children and talking to them on the way to and from school, being able to judge how long it will take and not spending time driving around looking for a parking space where Sarah can't see you!

**FOR OTHERS:** reducing traffic, improving air quality, especially around school, avoiding driving round the block and making dodgy turns in order to pick up.

If you must drive please switch off engines whilst waiting, do not make 3 point turns right outside school where people are crossing and do not get your child out of the car on the road side of the car to let them out or to run in by themselves.

For pedestrians please try to use the crossing patrol.

I would also like to remind you that the playground is not supervised before 9am and children must not be left alone before school.



### PARENT MEETINGS

Thank you for your attendance at Parents' Evenings and Parent Governor Focus groups. We will look at the discussions and surveys and next week I will report back on topics you have raised and how we will respond to them. Thank you for your feedback. Please remember you can email me anytime via [Info@woodgrange.newham.sch.uk](mailto:Info@woodgrange.newham.sch.uk)

### FUNdraising

Children in Need is an annual event on our calendar. This year we will ask everyone to come to school in spots or dots and make a donation- as much as you can spare. Rachel is our leader of FUNd and as she isn't here on Fridays we will have our day on THURSDAY next week. . Every penny we collect on your behalf goes to Children in Need.(please don't buy anything special)

Thank you



### Help needed please

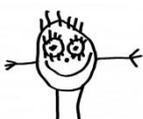
We would love some pieces of wood to start our Year 1 woodwork area.. If you have any splinter free off cuts at home that you could bring in we would be delighted to take them off your hands! If anyone would like to come in to school to join in with woodwork sessions you would be very welcome- please let us know!

We have been notified of a case of threadworm in school. This is nothing to be alarmed about but can cause itching. We will be reminding children of the importance of washing hands after using the toilet.

For more information see [www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms)

### Coming up

Our Big Community Draw on the afternoon of Monday 19<sup>th</sup>. Please come to school from 1.45- 3.1pm to join us for a massive drawing even.. You can collect your child from class and join together in the hall ...



Have a good week

Sarah & Staff