



Dear Families,

What a lovely week to return to school! Unfortunately the weekend weather is looking bad so the car boot sale is postponed.

### Parent Governor Focus group

Our next meet is coming up.

So far sustainability and a follow up to the boys and girls topic have been proposed by Governors... please let us know if you think these would be good topics or if you have further ideas.

We would particularly like to hear from and talk male family members on the topic of gender as the female perspective is well represented in school. Please email [info@woodgrange.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@woodgrange.newham.sch.uk)

The sessions are Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 6pm and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 9.15

### PTA Events

We are pleased to announce that the PTA have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our school.

**Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £32 million. It helps you clear cupboards AND avoid sending clothes etc to land fill.**

In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

A donation bag will be sent home in your child's book bag, if you fill the donation bag you can use any other bag to donate your items don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

You can include clean, dry clothing, paired shoes (tied together), handbags, belts, hats, bags, scarves, ties, lingerie, jewelry, bedding- sheets, pillow cases, towels, curtains and soft toys

You cannot put in duvets, pillows, cushions, scraps of fabric, school uniform, work uniform, rugs or carpet,

**Bag2School** will be collecting from our school on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 9am.**

Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the collection point outside reception between March 25<sup>th</sup> and up to 9am on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

### Health update

Please routinely check your child's hair. It is frustrating if head lice keep recurring. I strongly suggest long hair is kept tied back. Please be prepared to treat your child more than once as a single treatment is not always 100% effective.

There is information on the school website in the newsletter section.

### Next week:

We look forward to seeing you at Parents' Evening either Tuesday or Thursday. **Nursery is closed Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

World Book day Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March- Dress up as a book character- prize for most original costume

International Women's Day – as it is already a packed week we will not be holding a separate event to mark this day.

We will however be basing lots of learning around inspiring stories of women's achievements- both on the day (8<sup>th</sup> March) and over the coming term. Both Year 1 and Year 2 are learning from stories with "female lead characters" and Year 1 are focusing all of their wider curriculum learning around women – women in history, female artists etc Year 2 also have workshops on gender stereotypes on Monday 11<sup>th</sup>.

If you are unsure of school dates please check the website rather than calling school.

We had a surprising number of phone calls on Monday asking if school was open.

Our dates are agreed with Godwin but not Kay Rowe or FGCS.

The school dates for 2019-20 are now on the website.

Thank you Sarah & Staff