



Dear Families,

Thank you for your contributions of books and toys- you are amazing as always -and also your encouraging messages in response to remote learning. I had a message at the weekend that lifted my heart: "It is in times like this that the soul of a school shines through, and we are very thankful to be part of this community." I pass all these messages on to the staff to keep them going but would also like to pass on to you as parents- we know it is hard but you are doing an amazing job. If we can help make it any easier in any way PLEASE ASK....

On a day like this with a blue sky step outside, take a deep breath and feel hopeful that these days will pass.

Next week we will be marking Children's Mental Health Week. The theme is "express yourselves"

In your class zoom this week we invite your children to dress up in bright colourful clothes and maybe share a happy song or poem. If you cannot make it to the zoom please share a photo on dojo.

Children in school can dress up to come to school on their Zoomday.- teachers will tell you when that is.

Home learning update:

Apologies if you had a zoom session interrupted on Wednesday – we had a wifi issue- luckily a rare event.

You will have noticed we have switched largely to Vimeo instead of YouTube. This is in response to feedback about how distracting YouTube is. We are paying for Vimeo so hope it is worthwhile.

I know Vimeo is a new thing to navigate but hope you stick with it. If you have real trouble let us know and we can use YouTube too, but please be tough tortoises and go for it gorillas and don't give up too easily.

So proud! I have to congratulate the staff delivering such quality sessions- you cannot imagine how steep the learning curve has been this term, and how well everyone has pulled together to help each other learn new skills and now shortcuts!

This week I have done a little snooping and found that we have almost 100% in terms of views of the recorded lessons – that's amazing!!!!

I hope you have enjoyed Rachel's new sessions.

Please don't forget bug club- **reading is really important**- if you have run out of real books to read there are lots on line. If your child completes the follow up activity they will be able to access more books.

If you would like to borrow books from school please email dana.dajani@woodgrange.newham.sch.uk to arrange a time to come in or a delivery.



Jo Zakiewicz is currently shielding so is working from home. As part of her regime is a 5k run- every day!!!! She has been advised to exercise to strengthen her chest.

She now wants to put this effort to good use by doing a charity run in aid of asthmauk. If you would like to donate please follow the link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/joanne-zakiewicz1>

Information: EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) I am passing on this info in case it is of interest

The Home Office would appreciate your support in reminding parents, families, young people and your staff that if they are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, they and their family members may be eligible to apply to the [EU Settlement Scheme \(EUSS\)](#). The application deadline, for those who were living in the UK by the end of the transition period at 23:00 GMT on 31 December 2020, is 30 June 2021.

Children and young people require their own immigration status and are not covered by a parent's application to the EUSS. An application must be made for every eligible child within a family. A parent or guardian can apply on behalf of a child and link it to their own application (if applicable), or they can apply in their own right. There's lots [more information on this here on GOV.UK](#).

Applications to the EUSS are free and can be made online on [GOV.UK](#). Information on what is needed to apply can also be found on [GOV.UK](#). Successful applicants get either [settled status or pre-settled status](#) ensuring they can continue to live and work in the UK after 30 June 2021, whilst remaining eligible to access the benefits and services they could before the UK left the EU.

Thank you again for your support Sarah & Staff