

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES

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Dear Parents/Carers

This term seems to have flown since Easter - it has been very busy. Well done to the year 6 and year 2 pupils and staff for having undertaken SATS for the first time in 2 years. We await the results next term. It was amazing to see how carefully and hard the children worked throughout the last few weeks during the tests – they were so dedicated and committed to doing well. Fabulous work from the children and a lot of hard work from all the staff involved in getting the children ready for their tests.

Reminder school breaks up on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May until Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June for the half term break. Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of June is a training day for teachers so children will not be attending school. The last day of school in the summer term is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – when the long summer holidays start.

This year is the first year we have taken part in Debate Mate – a National project which sees children trained in the skills of debating which they then use in debates against other schools. We have done extremely well this year and this week won the Primary debates against local schools and other schools across the country. The children had to deliver a Dragon's Den – the group of year 5 pupils won a £1,000 from Deloitte's to fund their pitch. There will be more details to follow about the project next term. Well done to Mahad, Jessica, Aizah, Arthika, Erik and Danna from 5R who were the top scoring Debate Mate team nationally. We are so incredibly proud of the children who grew in their confidence and skills in debating throughout the process.

Thank you to the Central Park families for your generosity in some recent charity. The school collected £178.50 for UNICEF which is to support families caught up in the Ukraine conflict. When the children wore green for Mental Health awareness day we collected £487.86. This is amazing.

We have been asked to shout out to parents if they have any children's buggies that are in good condition but are no longer being used. The Magpie Project is collecting buggies for families that require them – some of these families are recently arrived from Ukraine. If you are able to donate any buggies or pushchairs please contact the school by phone or by email [info@centralpark.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@centralpark.newham.sch.uk).

Please be aware we have had a few cases of chicken pox in school in the last few weeks. I have attached a link to the NHS information regarding chicken pox.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/?src=conditionswidget>

As you will be aware Mrs Wilbraham and Ms De Garston Webb left to have babies recently. Both have had their babies and are all doing well.

We have also welcomed back Mrs Akter and Mrs Ali in year 1, Mrs Kyei in year 4 who have all recently returned from maternity leave. It is great to have them back in school.

Enjoy the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations during half term– a truly historic celebration to enjoy and remember. If you are off travelling on holiday or to visit friends and family have a safe trip. We look forward to seeing you at the start of the new term on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

Yours sincerely



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