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Mayor of London recognises Vicarage Primary School for exceptional educational achievement

Vicarage Primary School has been celebrated under a new programme set up by the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, to recognise exceptional schools in the capital. Schools for Success is part of the Mayor's drive to help tackle education inequality and increase standards for all school children across the capital, whatever their background.

Schools for Success celebrates schools that are achieving academic success with all their pupils, in particular disadvantaged or vulnerable students who started off behind their peers, or those affected by circumstances that could have an impact on their learning.

The new programme creates a network for these schools to share best practice with others across London through events, school visits and online profiles. More than 100 eligible schools were invited to join the programme, with 27 boroughs represented at this year's Awards. This cohort, refreshed annually, represents approximately six per cent of the capital's schools.

The Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, said '**Congratulations Vicarage Primary School for its outstanding achievements and for the hard work of its pupils and teaching staff. London has some of the best schools in the country, and Schools for Success shows the huge difference good quality teaching can make to pupils who started off behind in their studies. By sharing best practice with other schools across the capital, we can help every young Londoner reach their full potential, and ensure no child is left behind.**'

102 schools have been recognised in Schools for Success, the first year of the scheme. They are being asked to share their good practice through seminars and hosting visits to their school so that other schools can learn from their successful approaches.



Diverse City Fair

We are delighted to inform parents that we will be hosting our very first Diverse City Fair on the **18th October at 3:30 to 5:00**. This event aims to celebrate the diverse community our children and families are a part of. There will be lots of fun activities and food for the parents and children to enjoy. We hope you will be able to join us.

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Harvest Festival

We are going to be celebrating Harvest Festival during the week commencing Monday 16th October. We have asked children to bring in gifts of food which will be distributed to Bonny Downs Food Bank and RAMP (Refugee and Migrant Project) in East Ham. Both charity organisations have been working closely with our local families who may be struggling. Thank you for all your contributions.



MacMillan Cancer Support Non-Uniform Day

Vicarage held a non-uniform day on Friday 29th September to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support. Children and staff were invited to come to school in non-uniform for a 50p donation. We managed to raise £289 for this very worthy cause. We would like to say a big thank you for your support.

World of Work Week 2017



We held a very successful World of Work Week earlier this term.

The aim of World of Work Week was to raise children's aspirations about the opportunities they have available to them in the world of work and develop innovative and creative skills. The Programme was organised by the 15billione pb team, and delivered by teachers at Vicarage Primary School.

During the week, children developed an awareness of a variety of careers. They learned about the links between skills learned at school and success later in life, developed their understanding of why people earn and save money. The work also focussed on skills of co-operation, enterprise and problem solving throughout the various tasks and visits.

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Every year group from Nursery to Year 6 were involved in a range of exciting lessons; visitors came in to talk about their chosen professions and children visited different workplace settings such as KPMG, London City Airport, local fire stations, local supermarkets, Creature London, The Emirates Experience etc. We would like to thank all the parents who came in to school to speak to children about their jobs and careers as part of the week.

Vicarage Goes Global



The Autumn Term started with the huge success brought about by the 2017 SEND Conference in Romania. An invitation was received from the Curative Education Centre of Simeria, Romania for Vicarage Primary School to participate in their SEND Conference for the second year. The week beginning 4th September, four SEND specialists, Michael Mednick, Roxana Vasiliou (SEND Support Assistant), Jody Laronde and Karen Shenton visited Romania to deliver the workshops.

The conference was aimed at providing an insight into the basic principles of working with children with complex needs, Autism, Dyslexia and Literacy difficulties. The passion and interest of all attendees and delegates was shown during the very intellectual and fascinating discussions held during the workshops. As a result of this, close links were made between the Curative Education Centre and Vicarage Primary school. Our thanks go to Mr Mednick and Mrs Vasiliou on leading this inspiring venture.



School Council 2017/18

Our school council elections have taken place and we are delighted that the following children have been elected by their peers:

Year 3

Jannat 3B, Olivia 3MA, Mara 3A, Tiffany 3M

Year 4

Ishaaq 4M, Linisha 4C, Panashe 4U, Habib 4B

Year 5

Oprah 5N, Mahdiur 5S, Sam 5I, Saabirin 5I, Ryan 5P

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Year 6

Madinah 6Z, Saniya 6S, Tyra 6I, Rafael 6I, Sikander 6B

Chair - Sajeeha 6Z

Vice chair - Adeeva 5P,

Secretary - Ahmad 6S, Valentine 5S

Congratulations to all the children who will be representing their class in the School Council.



Newham Immunisation Team- Reception to Year 4

It's that time of year when the Newham immunisation team are coming back into our school to offer the children (From Reception to Year 4) the nasal flu vaccine.

The flu is an illness caused by the influenza virus, it is common during the winter months. The vaccination programme is designed to protect your child against flu which can be unpleasant illness.

The Immunisation team will be at our school on **16th October 2017** helping to protect the children from the flu virus in time for the winter, and helping to protect other family members because they are not spreading the influenza virus infection. You will have already received letters asking for your permission for your child to receive the vaccine.

Dates for your Diary



Friday 20th October - Last day of Term 1

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October - Half term break

Monday 30th October - Back to school for all pupils

Tuesday 7th November 3:30 - 5:30 - Parents Evening

Wednesday 8th November 3:30-6:30 - Parents Evening

Wednesday 20th December - Last day of Term 2

Thursday 21st December - Tuesday 2nd January - Christmas break

Wednesday 3rd January - Teacher Training Day

Thursday 4th January - Back to school for all pupils - Term 3

Mrs S Khan
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