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## Keir Hardie Newsletter

#### Headteacher's Message

Dear Parent/Carer, The first half of the Spring Term has flown! Thank you to our dedicated members of staff for continuing to plan enriching learning opportunities for our pupils. Wishing you all an enjoyable, restful Half Term Break and thank you for your continued support, your partnership and contributions are vital in educating and enriching our pupils learning experiences. We look forward to the continuation of our exciting learning journeys when we return on Monday 19th Feb.

#### Reading

At Keir Hardie we are passionate about reading, please encourage your child to read 20-30 minutes per day, we are committed to ensuring that the school provides creative and enriching books for pupils to take home and read. There have been a number of books which have not been returned to school, please help your child look at home for any unreturned books. A polite reminder, if a book is lost or not returned to the school, a payment of £5 will be requested to cover the cost of a new book.

#### **Picture News**

A reminder that each week Keir Hardie pupils and staff discuss a **Big Question** linked to current affairs in the news which also links to British Values, UN Rights of a Child and the MAGIC Habit of the week. The resources are updated weekly on the Homepage school website and discussed in assemblies. Please remember to have discussions with your child about the weekly Big Question topic. This will develop children's oracy ability to discuss and debate skills current issues.

### **Keeping Children Safe Online**

It is important for our pupils to stay online whilst in school and at home. LGFL have some great advice and tips for parents/carers for keeping their children safe online. Please visit <a href="https://parentsafe.lafl.net/">https://parentsafe.lafl.net/</a> for more information.

### Important Dates for the Diary

- Friday 9th February INSET Day (School Closed for pupils)
- Monday 12th Friday 16th February Half Term Break (School Closed)
- Monday 19th February
- All pupils return to school Thursday 7th March
- World Book Day (celebrating book characters)
- Friday 15th March Comic Relief / Red Nose Day
- Wednesday 20th March
- Parents Evening
- Thursday 21st March
- World Poetry Day
- Friday 22nd March
- Friendship Friday
- Thursday 28th March
- Last Day of the Spring Term (Pupils finish @ 1pm) Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April
- Easter Break (School Closed)
- Sunday 31st March Clocks go back 1hr
- Monday 15th April Pupils return to school

# World Book Day (Celebrating Books)

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March where pupils and staff come to school dressed as book characters. Each year group will be allocated a theme:

Nursery - Once upon a time (traditional fairy tales and nursery rhymes)

**Reception** - Julia Donaldson KS1 (Year 1/2) - Stories around the world (celebrating authors, stories and characters from different cultures)

UKS2 (Year 5/6) - Classic Stories (for example, Jane Austen, Lewis Carroll, Charles Dickens & Shakespeare)

Year group competitions will be posted on Class Dojo.

LKS2 (Year 3/4) - The wonderful world of Roald Dahl

### **House Points Update**









**CITRINE** 

Please click the links below to view some of the exciting learning that's been taking place!



**Celebration of Peace** 





**African Vases** 





WOW [Reception]



**Newham Updates** 



**Food Taster Sessions** 



**Balanceability Sessions** 



Chinese Dragon Workshops



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**English** 

National

Half term programme + weekly sessions in February



and March

#### February Half Term Programme Calling all aspiring dancers aged 9 – 12 vears, who live in Newham and love to

Join English National Ballet's new programme, Ballet Club, to dance and create new moves with professional artists. Be inspired and meet dancers and creatives

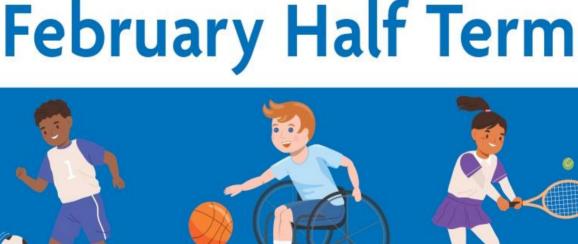
studios in Canning Town. Find out about life as a professional dancer, gain behind the scenes insights and create a choreography to perform to family and friends. This is an opportunity you won't want to miss! The programme is FREE OF CHARGE and is available for Newham residents. Places are offered on a first come, first served basis and booking via the English National Ballet website is essential. No previous dance

at English National Ballet's state of the art

Newham London

experience is required.

# Free activities this



Free activities for children and young **Inclusive Activity** people this half term! Come and try a Come and try a variety of free taster sessions in a range of sports and activities variety of activities. Sessions include Cricket. Basketball, Badminton and for children and young people with Football! The programme will take place disabilities on Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th at both East Ham Leisure Centre and

Times / Ages: 12pm-2pm - 5-11 years 2pm-4pm - 12-16 years

**Mini Activities** 

Newham Leisure Centre

Introducing your little ones to sport can be great fun. Come along and try our Free Mini activity offer including: Mini Tennis, Mini Dance, Mini Yoga &

Mini Kickers at East Ham Leisure Centre and Newham Leisure Centre.

11am-12pm - 3-5 years

Times / Ages:

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February only at East Ham Leisure Centre. 12pm-2pm - 8-18 years Dates: Monday 12th-Friday 16th February

East Ham Leisure Centre, 324 Barking Rd. London E6 2RT Newham Leisure Centre, 281 Prince

Regent Lane. London E13 8SD

To book: www.eventbrite.com/ cc/newham-february-half-termyouth-activity-2928919



Venues:

For more information: sports@

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