### **New City Primary School**



### Newsletter





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### Head Teacher Update

Dear parents and carers

HealthySchools

It has been a difficult start to 2022 as the Covid virus has affected many more families. If you and your family are isolating but your child is able to do their work then please access their online learning on our website: www.newcity.boleyntrust.org

You can contact your class teacher via email: year1@newcity.boleyntrust.org. Just replace the number with the correct year group.

On Friday January 28th the school will close at 1:15 to allow staff to attend training. Thank you for your support with this closure. Please ensure you pick up your child at 1:15 at the usual gate.

All our clubs and our tutoring programme have started this week. We have a range of activities offered to all our children including our after school provision. In this newsletter is further information about the developments of our Family Centre.

Please can I ask that everyone keeps wearing a mask on the school site when dropping off and picking up children. Please also refrain from stopping on the zig zag lines outside the school gates.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Best wishes Mrs Stone

### Martin Luther King Day

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January it was Martin Luther King Day in America - a special day where people celebrate the civil rights hero. For more than three decades, the third Monday in January has been dedicated to celebrating the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. Martin Luther King was an incredibly influential figure who helped shape America's history. He was a civil rights activist who fought for racial equality. People all over America celebrate Martin Luther King Day. They usually use the time to reach out to their community and spend time together.

### So why do people celebrate?

Before 1964 black people in America were treated as second class citizens. In some parts of the country, they weren't allowed to use the same schools, diners, cinemas, or even public toilets as white people. On buses, black and white Americans sat separately, and black people could even be arrested for not giving up their seat for a white person. Martin Luther King wanted to change this.

On 28 August 1963 he marched to Washington DC - the capital of America - and delivered a ground-breaking speech in front of a crowd of thousands of people. His 17-minute-long speech was called 'I have a Dream' and talked about living in a future where all people are equal, regardless of the colour of their skin. His speech went down in history, inspired millions of people, and helped to bring about the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

"I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character".

This Act ended the separation of people by race in public places and banned companies from not giving people a job because of race, gender, religion, or national origin. In 1964 Martin Luther King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his campaigning but four years later in 1968 he was shot and killed. To remember his achievements, people in the US celebrate his memory on Martin Luther King Day by holding parades and giving people a day off work or school.

In assembly Chanelle and Bobby explained the significance of Martin Luther King Day to all the children



## Important dates-Spring Term 2022

January 27<sup>th</sup> - Holocaust Memorial Day

January 28th—School will close at 1:15 for staff training

February 1st—Chinese New Year lunch

February 7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> - Children's Mental Health Week

February 11<sup>th</sup> - Random Acts of Kindness Day

February 11th—Dress to Empress Day

February 11th-End of Spring Term 1

March 3rd-World Book Day

March 18th - Comic Relief Day

March 21st—International Day

April 1st - World Autism Day

April 1st - Last Day of the Spring Term

April 19th—First day of the Summer term

May 9th-KS2 SATs week

Please note all information regarding dates, policies and the curriculum can be found on our website at www.www.newcity.boleyntrust.org

Chinese New Year

Celebrating the Year of the Tiger

Chinese New Year Competition

Design your own Chinese New Year decorations using recyclable materials and bring it to your teacher by

February 1st



### KS2 Online Reading Journals

Reading with your child at home is very important and makes a big difference to their happiness and motivation at school and learning outcomes. You can let the teacher know how it's going by completing the Reading log found on your MarvellousMe home screen. We have moved our reading logs online so parents are able to give concise feedback of their children's reading in seconds. Please read with your child every day for at least 15 minutes and fill in the online reading journals every **Sunday**. If you have any questions about the online reading journals, please speak to your child's



### Science at New City

teacher who will be happy to support you.

Across the school the children love learning science. In Year 1 have been learning about materials. They have described their properties and when we would use different materials. This is an example from Wilhelmina



In year 2 the children have been learning about keeping themselves healthy. They have investigated the effects of different types of exercise on our body. This is work from Madiha



Last term Year 3 studied different types of rocks and are now exploring how the rocks relate to our Earth and where they can be found. Here is Naheem 's work



Year 4 are learning about solids, liquids and gases this term by researching the very first alchemist, a female scientist known as Maria the Jewess. This is Nana's work



Year 5 have been learning about reproduction and have compared the gestation periods of different mammals. Here is an example of work from Zahira



Year 6 are learning about Classification systems. They begun this unit by researching the famous botanist and zoologist, Carl Linnaeus. This excellent work is from Chanelle





In Nursery children have been learning about magnets.



#### Star of the Week

RG— Aquib RS—Hannah
1T—Harry 1P-Jessica 1F- Alisia
2U-Shahida 2B-Yovikaa 2D—Anum 3K-Saifan
3D-Naheen 3G-Zainab 4M-Ibrahim 4T-Syeda
4P-Hafsa 5Ra-Sakeesh 5S-Isabelle 5R—Ana
6J/F-Haris 6C—Mikayeel 6W-Ayaan 6B—Evelina
Learning Hub—Ayaan



# Miss Fuzzi's book review The Midnight Gang - by David

Walliams
Welcome to the Midnight Gang! Midnight is the time when all children are fast asleep, except of course for... the Midnight Gang. That is when their adventures are just beginning...

their adventures are just beginning... When Tom gets hit on the head by a cricket ball, he finds himself at Lord Funt Hospital, and is greeted by a terrifying-looking porter. Things go from bad to worse when he meets the wicked matron in charge of the children's ward... But Tom is about to embark on the most thrilling journey of a lifetime!

The Midnight Gang tells an extraordinarily heartwarming and, of course, funny story of five children on a hospital ward - and on a quest for adventure! It is a story of friendship and magic - and of making dreams come true. Readers are

and of making dreams come true. Readers are set to be utterly spellbound by this heartfelt story that will bring magic to everyone.

If you enjoyed Gangsta Granny, The Demon Dentist and other David Walliams books, you will certainly enjoy this one. Happy reading!

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Choice	Vegetable and Bean Fajitas with 50/50 Rice	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Mince Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Fishfingers with Chips and Tomato Sauce
Vegetarian Choice	Macoroni Cheese	Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tomato and Lentil Pasta with Garlic Bread	Homity Pie with Chips
Sides	Green Beans Carrots	Coleslaw Sweetcorn	Cauliflower Broccoli	Roast Mixed Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Dessert	Sticky Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Mandarin Jelly	Fruit and Yoghurt	Oaty Cookie	Ice Cream and Fruit

Jacket Potatoes, Salad Selection, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt are available every day. Baguettes/Sandwiches are also available