

'Success for Everyone'

# Newsletter

November 2023

Respect

## Interim Assistant Headteacher's Message:

November has been a very busy month for our learners in terms of acknowledging many events and celebrations such as Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali and Anti-Bullying week to name a few. We have also spent some time revisiting our Core Values of consideration, manners, honesty and respect and examined how they link with the British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance.

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November Mr Goddard, Education Business Partnership Manager from Lewisham Council, will be in EMLM working with our Year 10 and 11 learners in preparation for work experience, visiting College Open Days, discussing careers opportunities, and Post 16 planning. I am sure it will be an informative session.

I am pleased to report that the attendance and punctuality of our learners continues to improve. One of the most important ways you can help your child achieve their full potential is by ensuring your child attends school every day and arrives on time.

And finally, I look forward to seeing you all during the consultation meetings 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> December.

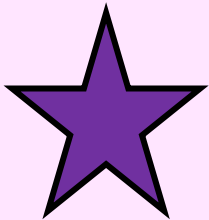
Ms Fletcher

If you have any concerns or issues

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## Achievement Certificates this month have been given to learners for:

*'Supporting others with their maths work.'* *'showing concern for fellow learner.'*

*'Attendance and punctuality and being ready to learn.'* *'Keeping focussed on work and emotions'*

*'Good mindset to work.'* *'Excellent mindset to learn...in a focussed place.'*



## Pupil Voice:

Our learners spent time reviewing and discussing our anti-bullying policy.

*'We can see why this is important'*

***'It helps us to understand the different bullying which takes place – physical, verbal and online'***

*'I think we are all on our phones all the time, so we need to know what to do if we are bullied online...'*

## 🕒 Attendance - Late arrivals...

Learners should arrive at school at 9:00am promptly.

**Registers close at 9:10am** and if you arrive after this time, your attendance will be marked as late!

**If you need support in arriving on time please speak to a member of staff.**

## Parent/Carer consultations

We have planned consultation meetings for our Learners, in school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

It is important that you attend this meeting as we will focus on reviewing the progress that your child has made so far this term. A letter will be sent out nearer the date and we will also be asking for your views during the meeting. If you have any questions or queries you would like to raise prior to these meetings do remember you can use the Wednesday morning drop-in slot between 10:00 am and 10:30am.



## Curriculum shout out: Physical Education

This term we have been working closely with our community partners at Downham Leisure Centre, Downham Boxing Gym and Millwall Community Trust to give our learners opportunities to engage in a range of physical activities, exercise and sport. The Physical Education programme of study for Key Stage 3 & 4 suggests, our learners should:

- understand and apply the long-term health benefits of physical activity
- take part in outdoor and adventurous activities which present intellectual and physical challenges and be encouraged to work in a team, building on trust and developing skills to solve problems, either individually or as a group
- they should develop the confidence and interest to get involved in exercise, sports and activities out of school and in later life.

The Education Endowment Fund has also carried out research in this area and states:

*There are wider benefits from regular physical activity in terms of physical development, health and wellbeing as well as other potential benefits have been reported such as improved attendance. EEF – July 2021*

## Respect

We have held discussions with our learners that respect is a lot more than being polite and showing good manners and how we can show respect in our everyday live interactions when we:

- Give our full attention to the person who talks to us
- Accept different opinions without judging or trying to change them
- Use kind words
- Tell the truth
- Apologise for acts that may have hurt others
- Listen to differing opinions and try to understand them



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## Online Safety

It may be that you, or your child, come across something upsetting or concerning online. It is important that you feel confident about what to do if you do see something inappropriate online, or if your child tells you they've seen something. If you're worried about something a child or young person may have experienced online, you can contact the [NSPCC Helpline](#) for free support.



## Parents/Carers Voice – comments regarding the anti-bullying policy

‘Thank you for sharing this with us, it is important that we are aware what support is offered in school if a child is bullied’

‘I like the strategies that are mentioned such as drama and role play’

‘I am grateful for the online sites at the end - that we as parents can visit.’

## KEY DATES

### Date for your Diary

**Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings**  
**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**December 2023**

Monday 4th September 2023  
School closed for Learners - staff training.

### Autumn Term 1

Tuesday 5th September  
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Friday 20th October 2023

### Half Term – EMLM closed

Monday 23rd October  
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Friday 27th October 2023

### Autumn Term 2

Monday 30 October  
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Wednesday 20th December 2023

### Christmas Holidays

Thursday 21st December  
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Wednesday 3rd January 2024