

# Newsletter

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## 100%

We are extremely proud of the behaviour of all of our pupils. We have been working with the pupils about what it means to give 100% at all times.

## 100%

- Old Ford pupils put **100% effort** into everything they do
- Old Ford pupils aim for **excellent behaviour 100% of the time** - in the playground, in the classroom, in and out of school
- Old Ford pupils are **kind, caring, thoughtful and respectful 100% of the time** - they live the school values and follow the school rules.

### BEST ATTENDANCE

NG, RR, 1R, 2G, 3G, 4B, 5G, 6G



### EARLY BIRDS

NR, RR, 1R, 2G, 3B,  
4G, 5R & 5B, 6R



### STAR PUPILS



**Reception** - Fardeen, Fateh, Sajjid

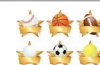
**Year 1** - Micheal, Safiya, Numayir, Nabil

**Year 3** - Amira, Adil, Sara **Year 4** - Jannath

**Year 2** - Samirah, Mariya **Year 5** - Jannat,  
Habibur, Said **Year 6** - Sumaya, Sabiha



### SPORTS STARS OF THE WEEK



**Year 2** - Ismaeel

**Year 3** - Ciraran, Brooklyn, Shahneela

**Year 4** - Nahid, Jameel

**Year 5** - Ruhama, Shifa, Tahem

**Year 6** - Andrey, Kyla

### TEAMWORK



Together we can do much more than we can individually.

We can share opinions; support each other; manage more complex tasks.

**Reception** - Hanna **Year 2** - Amelia **Year 3** - Kamran, Uzair **Year 4** - Habeeba, Ashley

**Year 5** - Rebecca, Redwan, Taniya **Year 6** - Ashieq, Kareem



### **“Hear the bell, Line up well”**



Every morning at 8.55am we will be ringing our handbell.

This is a signal to tell you that it is 8.55am and you should be in line ready to go to class.

### PARKING



Please do not park on the zig zag lines in front of the school or on the double yellow lines alongside the church. Last week a child was almost run over because of this illegal parking. We have once again asked Tower Hamlets to step up their parking enforcement patrols at pick up and drop off time.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

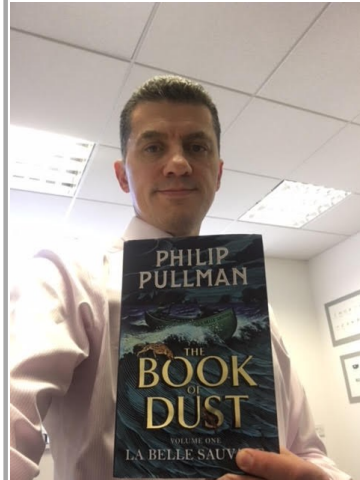
Congratulations to Riyaz Ahmad who won bronze in the Tower Hamlets and British School Judo Championships representing Old Ford Primary Academy. Well done Riyaz!!!

## READER OF THE WEEK

Every week we will be featuring a different 'Reader of the Week' who will be sharing their favourite book or a book they are currently reading.

Here are this weeks **'CAKE WITH KEVIN'** winners!

Well done to all our fantastic star pupils!



La Belle Sauvage by Phillip Pullman is the first book in the new 'Book of Dust' trilogy. This is an exciting story set in an alternative universe. What I like about Phillip Pullman's books is that they can be enjoyed by children and adults. Some of you would have read

'Clockwork' in Y3 and Y4. which is another great Phillip Pullman book. -Kevin

## ACADEMY COUNCIL MINUTES 07/11/17

Academy Councillors present: James Bryant, Samira Ali. Apologies: Eleonora Algerhedi

- Serena has decided not to put herself up for re-election - in January there will be three vacancies as two other members terms are up.
- No one put themselves forward to be a councillor last election round. What are the reasons for this? One thought is that the Academy Council is an advisory body and has no power in terms of making decisions. Parents/carers may not like this.
- Why do we not have a general governing body? Kevin explained how it works in the Trust. The current model was adopted so as to not to replicate structures in each of the Trust schools.
- Some parents were concerned that Trust directors are not aware of what happens in the school concerning parents - they would like more parental involvement. Kevin explained that the current model involves parents/carers putting their concerns to the Principal who feeds these back to the relevant committee.
- Question about Mark (former SENCO) – works one day now, not enough? Kevin explained how this is being managed with a trainee SENCO who is in place. Mark only paid for his time here. Time in other schools in recharged. Our school has more SEND provision for pupils than others in the area - we are lucky.
- Some parents do not want children taking part in the Christmas activities. We follow British values and offer a broad curriculum. Songs that we sing have no religious content whatsoever. The church is a community space which is also used by other groups e.g. Zumba
- Year 5 swimming coaches: Tower Hamlets have cut coaches, children have to walk back to school at end of swimming. There is nothing we can do about this - To provide coaches ourselves would be very expensive. Children have to swim 25m by the end of Y6, it is part of the curriculum, they need to learn to swim.
- Parents would like to learn more about the how our teachers teach the pupils in class so that they can also follow this at home. Kevin will set up curriculum information meetings which will have a focus on how we deliver each subject in school, and also what parents and carers can do to support their child in each area at home.