

20th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the festive season, I wanted to take a moment to extend my warmest wishes to you and your families on behalf of the entire Little Ilford School community.

The holiday season is a time for reflection, gratitude, and celebration. Despite any challenges we have faced this year, our school community has shown remarkable resilience and dedication. Our students have demonstrated outstanding commitment to their studies. All of our staff have worked tirelessly to provide a supportive, enriching learning environment with many additional unique experiences.

I am incredibly proud of the achievements and progress we have made together as a school community. The positive spirit and collaborative effort of students, parents, and staff continue to drive our success. Therefore, could I request that parents complete this online survey and provide us with your feedback and suggestions using the link below:

## https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N2GBHVD

As we look forward to a well-deserved break, I encourage you to take this time to rest, rejuvenate, and cherish moments with your loved ones.

Looking ahead to the New Year, we have exciting plans and initiatives to enhance the educational experience for our students and could I remind students and parents of the importance of high attendance at school and that we should all aim for 100% attendance.

I am confident that 2024 will be a year of growth, achievement, and continued success for Little Ilford School.

We are pleased to advise Newham Council has again decided to allocate funding to schools to provide food vouchers to children eligible for free school meals for the Christmas break. The funding will cover food voucher costs for children in Reception to Year 11 who are currently in receipt of statutory (benefits related) Free School Meals (FSM), to cover the holiday period. In line with the approach taken for the previous vouchers issued by the school we will be sending £30 vouchers for the holidays through text and or email using Wonde. The vouchers will be sent out on the last day of term.

























Please see below links:

Newham Activities Programme

Attendance Campaign

Young People's Health Challenge

Thank you for your ongoing support, collaboration, and trust in our school. I wish you a joyful and restful holiday season and I look forward to welcoming the students back to school on Monday, 8th January, at our usual starting time of 8:20 am which will be Week B.

Warm regards,

Andrew Finn Headteacher