



LITTLE ILFORD SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and that the new year has started positively for your family. As we approach the halfway point of this term, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on some important matters and events happening within our school community.

Academic Progress:

It's been a busy and productive term so far, with our students engaging in various learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom. I am pleased to report that our students have been making excellent academic progress, and I commend them for their hard work and dedication.

For our Year 11 students, we have launched a new intervention programme, and students have been working hard to prepare for their examinations. Intervention for Year 11s is taking place over the half term in English, Graphics, Resistant Materials, Textiles, Food and Maths. Letters have been sent to specific students regarding these. If you have received a letter, please ensure your child attends.

As always, if you have any concerns about your child's academic progress, please do not hesitate to contact their teachers or form tutors.

Upcoming Events:

We have several exciting events planned for the remainder of the term, including Year 11 mock exams, Year 9 Parents' Evening on 20th February, and Year 8 Parents' Evening on 12th March, not to mention all of the sporting, drama, and extracurricular events that the staff provide. We encourage all parents and guardians to actively participate in these events and support our students' endeavours.

Visits from Special Guests:

We were honoured to have some special guests visit Little Ilford School this half term. Firstly, we had the privilege of welcoming 30 students from different schools from all over China, providing our students with a valuable opportunity to engage in a cultural exchange and broaden their perspectives. Additionally, we had the pleasure of hosting the renowned poet Lemn Sissay. His inspiring words and powerful storytelling left a lasting impact on our students and staff, reminding us of the importance of creativity and expression.

Feedback Analysis:

We are currently analysing the feedback from the recent parent survey. Your input is invaluable to us, and we are committed to carefully reviewing all suggestions and comments.

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We will update you on the actions taken as a result of this feedback during the next half term.

Parental Involvement:

We greatly value the partnership between home and school in supporting the education and development of our students. I want to take this opportunity to thank all parents and guardians for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. Your support makes a significant difference. Together, we can help our students reach their full potential.

Communication:

Effective communication between home and school is vital for the success of our students. If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, contact us via info@littleilford.org. Additionally, please ensure you regularly check our school website and social media channels for important updates and announcements.

Holiday food vouchers:

We are pleased to advise Newham Council has again decided to allocate funding from the Department for Work and Pensions Household Support Fund to schools to provide food vouchers to children eligible for free school meals for the February half term. The Council has decided to issue a grant payment to all Infant, Junior, Primary and Secondary Schools in Newham in line with the approach taken for previous school holidays. The funding will cover food voucher costs for children from Reception to Year 11 who are currently receiving statutory (benefits related) Free School Meals (FSM), to cover the five days of the February half term holiday period. In line with the approach taken for the previous vouchers issued by the school, we will send £15 vouchers for the half term break through text and/or email using Wonde. The vouchers will be sent out on the last day of term.

Newham half term activities:

Please click on this [link](#) to find out more.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and cooperation. Together, we can make this term a successful and rewarding experience for all our students.

I wish you a relaxing and enjoyable mid-term break. We look forward to welcoming all our students back on 19th February.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Finn/ Headteacher

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