Plaistow Primary School and Children's Centre

Ofsted Outstanding School 2013|2014


Determination


Motivation


Responsibility


Attitude


Education

Working as a team to achieve a child's dream

"There are excellent relationships between pupils and all the adults in the school community" **Ofsted**

Headteacher's Introduction

Welcome to Plaistow Primary School and Children's Centre.

Plaistow Primary School, graded Outstanding by OFTSED, is a welcoming and friendly community school where children feel happy and secure. We put great emphasis on high standards of academic achievement and behaviour.

At Plaistow we take care to develop both the personal and social aspects of each individual child in order to achieve a supportive and rewarding learning environment.

The staff at Plaistow Primary believe in working in partnership with parents and value the support and co-operation that parents provide.

The governing body is supportive, hardworking and committed to the continued progress and success of Plaistow Primary.

This booklet is designed to give you helpful information about our school.

We look forward to working with you and your child.

Ms Janine St. Pierre
Headteacher



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"Children develop self-esteem and enthusiasm for learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage" **Ofsted**

"The achievement of pupils whose first language is not English is outstanding" **Ofsted**

Curriculum

At Plaistow we aim to provide a broad, active curriculum in a caring and stimulating learning environment, which is well resourced and organised. Many activities draw on first hand experiences and we organise educational visits for pupils to make this possible.

Foundation subjects such as History and Geography are taught through topics which link to a central theme.

English and mathematics are taught daily and follow the National Curriculum.

Pupils in the Early Years and Key Stage 1 are taught to read using a phonics programme called Read, Write Inc.

Physical Education (PE) – all pupils are expected to take part in PE lessons. PE is timetabled for two sessions per week. Pupils in year 5 will learn to swim as part of their PE lessons.

Assessment & Reporting

Pupils in year 1- 6 have their learning assessed regularly and this is reported to parents at the end of each term with a snapshot report.

A full annual report with targets for improvement are completed and given out to parents in the spring term.



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"Children make outstanding progress in developing social and emotional skills and really enjoy school" **Ofsted**

"Teaching is outstanding. As a result, pupils make excellent progress" **Ofsted**

Attendance

The school attendance target is 97% so we want all our children to come to school regularly. We monitor attendance very closely and if we have concerns about low attendance, parents will be asked meet with the headteacher. Please also note that Newham DO NOT authorise holidays taken during term time. We hold termly attendance assemblies where children with good attendance are rewarded with certificates and medals.

Governors

- The Governing Body work with the Headteacher to set the direction of the school
- We set the spending priorities of the school so that our funds provide the best possible education for he pupils
- We monitor the progress of pupils and hold the school's professional leaders to account
- We visit the school to observe what the pupils and staff are doing and we listen to what they say to us. This helps us to understand the work of the school.
- We represent all the stakeholders in the school, our Governing Body includes staff, parents, a local authority appointed governor and other members of the community who have a passion for education and skills that make us a better Governing Body.



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"Behaviour is exemplary throughout the school." **Ofsted**

"Everyone in the school knows the importance of their role in ensuring that learning is effective." **Ofsted**

School Uniform

We ask that all children wear a school uniform including reception children. Uniform can be purchased from:

Fashion Stop, 138 High Street North, East Ham, E6 2HT

Uniform consists of:
Black or Grey trousers or skirts (NO JEANS)
White polo shirt or school shirt
Green sweatshirt or fleece with school logo
Black school shoes or black trainers
Headscarves should be either black or white

During the summer months girls may wear green check dresses and boys' black or grey school shorts.
Please put your child's name on all clothing

Children are encouraged not to wear jewellery to school unless it is for religious reasons. Your child will be asked to remove all jewellery for PE.

For PE your child will need a pair of shorts or track bottoms, a T-shirt or leotard and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. They must bring their kit in a bag that can be hung up. PE kit and bags are available from the uniform supplier.



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"Pupils of all ages and groups play and learn together harmoniously." **Ofsted**

"Staff know how to make a positive difference for pupils." **Ofsted**

School Hours & Admissions

Nursery Morning session	9.00 am - 12.00 pm
Nursery Afternoon session	12.30 pm – 3.30 pm
Reception & Key Stage 1	9.00 am – 12.00pm 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm
Key Stage 2	9.00 am – 12.30 pm 1.30 pm – 3.35pm

Staff, Governors and carers believe that starting school should be a positive, happy experience. All children have the right to a smooth transition into each stage of their school life.

Nursery Admissions – You can apply for a place in our nursery by filling in an application form available from the school office. Your child's name will be put onto our waiting list. Once a place becomes available you will be contacted by the school and invited to an admissions meeting.

Reception Class Admissions – London Borough of Newham carries out all Reception class admissions. You can apply for a reception class place online at www.newham.gov.uk

Years 1- 6 Admissions – London Borough of Newham carries out all admissions for Years 1 -6. You can apply for a school place online at www.newham.gov.uk



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