



Canary Wharf College

East Ferry Newsletter

Summer 2: Friday 3rd July 2026

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Dear families of East Ferry,

This week's highlight has undoubtedly been our annual Sports Day. It was fantastic to see our children taking part with such enthusiasm, determination and team spirit, giving their very best across every event. It was equally wonderful to see so many parents and carers join us, supporting our pupils so enthusiastically from the sidelines and helping to create such a positive and celebratory atmosphere. A huge thank you to Mr Tafadar for organising such a brilliant event and to all the staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to set up, supervise and encourage the children throughout the day. Well done to all of our pupils - we are incredibly proud of you!

Alongside Sports Day, it has also been a rich and purposeful week across the school. We held our termly co-production meetings between teachers, our SENCO and parents of children with EHCPs, working collaboratively to review and update learning plans and share pupil passports. These conversations are such an important part of ensuring every child is fully supported and understood.

We have also enjoyed a wide range of enriching learning experiences across year groups. Our Year 4 pupils took part in a "plastic fishing" activity building on Year 3's work last week, Reception children visited Buckingham Palace as part of their learning linked to the EYFS focus on monarchy, Year 5 visited St Paul's Way for their annual science fair and pupils also took part in the Isle of Dogs cricket festival - a fantastic celebration of sport, teamwork and community.

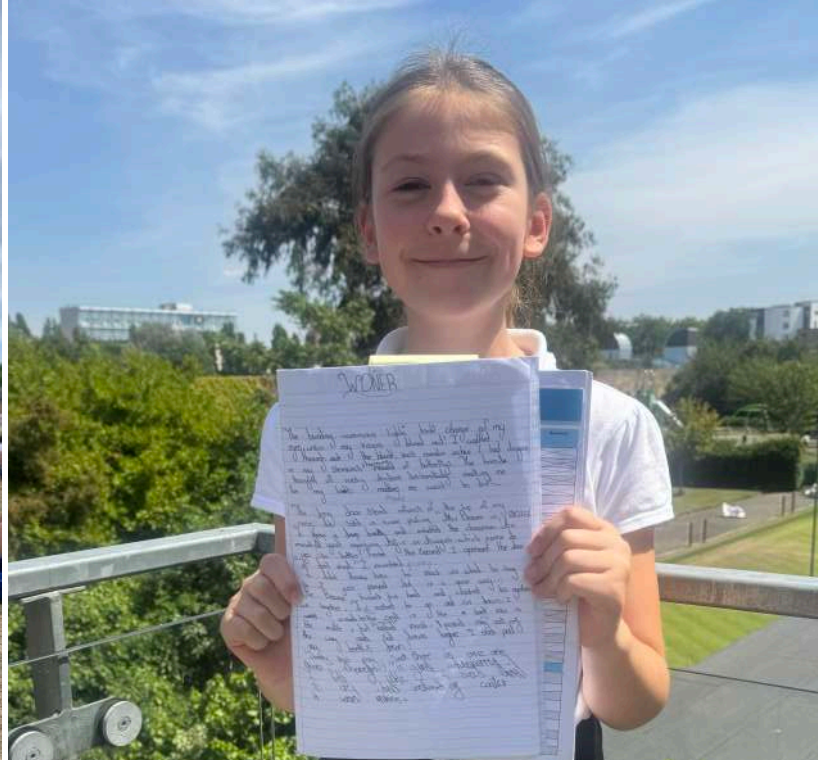
We were also delighted to welcome our new EYFS pupils and parents back for their second "Stay and Play" session, continuing to build confidence, familiarity, and strong relationships as they prepare for the start of their school journey with us.

Looking ahead to next week, we will be sharing pupils' annual reports with families and look forward to welcoming parents to our end-of-year Prize Giving events. On Wednesday, children will also spend the morning with their new teachers as part of their transition, helping them to feel confident and excited for the year ahead.

Wishing all of our families a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Melisa Akis: Principal





Y5 WRITING

This week in Year 5, we have been exploring and writing pieces inspired by the book 'Wonder', discussing difficult topics about confidence and kindness to those who are different.

"The blinding, luminous lights took charge of my eyes, until my vision blurred out! I walked through the blank, vast corridor, while I had dragons in my stomach churning instead of butterflies. The horrid thought of nasty children deliberately mocking me for my looks made me want to cry... The long door stood in front of the tip of my nose. It said in silver plating, "Mr Browne in 180277!" I drew a deep breath and entered the classroom. An immediate 'Good morning Augie, or August - which name do you like better?'" from the second I opened the door.

"I don't mind." I mumbled quietly.

I didn't know how to react or what to say, so I just panicked, but in a quite way...

Mr Browne tilted his head and crashed his eyebrows together. I rushed to go and sit down. I aimed for the seat in the back row in the middle, but someone rushed round, pushed me out of the way and sat down before I even put my books down!"

Emma, 5 Morpurgo



CRICKET SUCCESS

Twenty-four Year 4 pupils represented East Ferry across three teams at the Platform Cricket event in Millwall Park, competing against 14 teams. All three teams showed excellent teamwork, with impressive batting, fielding and determination throughout the day. Team A's Road to Victory:

Stage Result Group Stage Defeated Seven Mills, Arnhem Wharf, Cubitt Town and East Ferry

Quarter Final Beat Cubitt Town 240-216

Semi Final Beat Arnhem Wharf 246-242

Final Beat Glenworth 234-224 to become Champions!

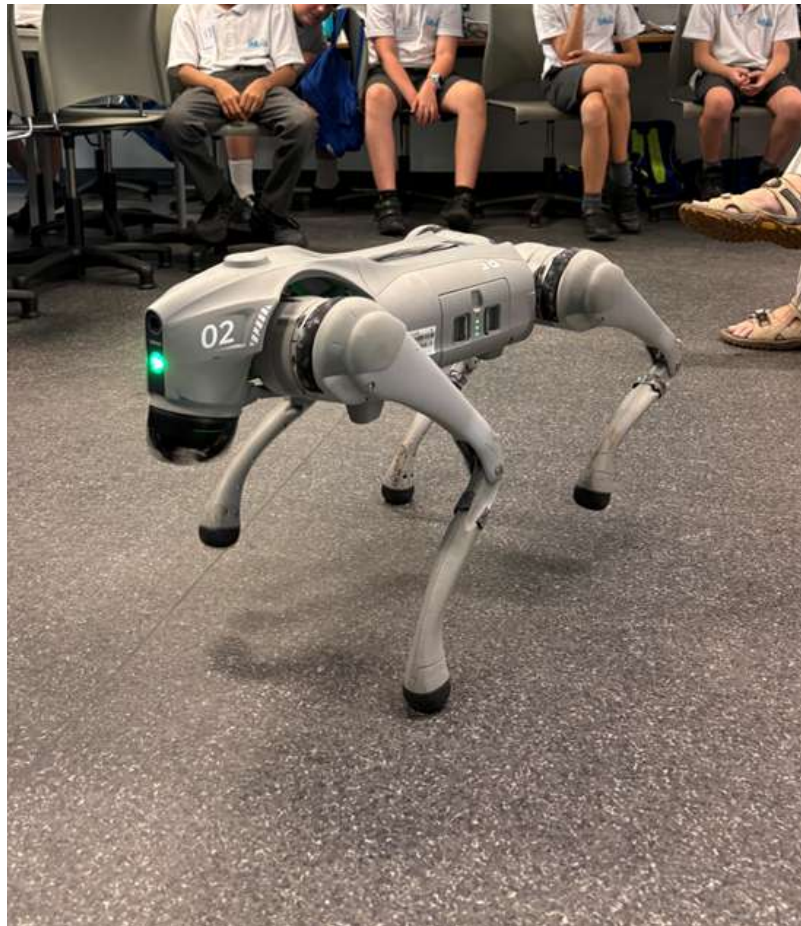
After a thrilling final against a strong Glenworth side, Team A produced an outstanding performance to secure the title. Congratulations to all of our players for representing our school so brilliantly.





Y5 @ SCIENCE FAIR

Year 5 were fortunate to attend the Science Summer School Fair at Saint Paul's Way. The day was filled with fun, exciting and interactive activities that inspired the children's curiosity and enthusiasm for science. The event began with a series of engaging TED-style talks from scientists, who shared how their work is helping to reduce food waste and protect endangered animals. The pupils then took part in an exciting science experiment, where they observed dry ice and discovered how it reacts under different conditions. The day concluded with a special tea party hosted by Professor Brian Cox. He spoke about his career in science and a selection of Year 5 pupils had the opportunity to ask him thoughtful and insightful questions. It was a memorable experience that left the children feeling inspired and eager to learn more about the world of science.



EYFS @ BUCKINGHAM PALACE

EYFS had a fantastic day visiting the Royal Mews at Buckingham Palace! They learnt all about the King, Queen and the Royal Family, discovering the special items used during a coronation, including the crown, sceptre, orb and royal robes. The children were amazed to see the magnificent 250-year-old Gold State Coach and even met one of the King's horses, Icon. They also enjoyed taking part in a royal treasure hunt before ending the day with a coronation role play, waving their flags and proudly shouting, **"Long live the King!"**



Y4 PLASTIC FISHING

As part of our Personal Development (PD) curriculum, pupils took part in a Plastic Fishing activity at the docks, helping to remove litter from the water and learning about the importance of caring for our environment. The children were surprised by the number of items they found that should not have been in the docks. They enjoyed working together to make a positive difference to their local community.

"I was surprised by how much rubbish we found – lots of water bottles, discarded milkshake bottles and food wrappers, which should have been put in the bin." – Jorge Junior, 4 Rowling
"I was happy that we got to clean the docks. We even found a tennis racket, a tennis ball and over 20 empty water bottles."

Abdulrahman, 4 Dahl



Class	Name	
RCooke	Ektor	For being resilient in his learning and working hard on writing independently.
RWaddell	Ionie	For always trying her very best in all learning and for being kind, caring and helpful to everyone.
IAhlberg	Orpheus	For being an enthusiastic and passionate learner with many fantastic ideas.
IMurphy	Michael	For consistently performing exceptionally across all areas of learning, showing perseverance and curiosity in his learning. .
2Donaldson	Maya	For always trying her best in all areas of learning and consistently pushing herself to reach her full potential.
2Donaldson	Aya	For consistently embodying our values and always being a wonderful role model to all her peers.
2Rosen	Maisie	For always trying her best in all learning and showing kindness.
3Zephaniah	Abdallah	For consistently engaging in class discussions and being an enthusiastic learner!
3Lewis	Hector	For excellent engagement and participation during lessons this week!
4Dahl	Amaira	For writing a well thought out poem about a hurricane using personification.
4Dahl	Elijah	For writing a hurricane poem using personification.
5Morpurgo	Whole Class	For being a brilliant class to teach!
5Horowitz	Whole Class	For working really hard this year and showing resilience everyday in school.
6Blackman	Ameyaa	For excellent singing and dancing, plus amazing science work this week.
6Shakespeare	Jeremiah	For excellent singing & dancing in the upcoming production.
Computing	Lucas Y4	For customising all his placemarks on his Google Earth tour of The Amazon River.
PE	Cricket team	For amazing team work and positive attitude when out on the school event!
Music	Caitlin 6B	For her fantastic resilience in levelling up in her acting and singing techniques.
Spanish	East Ferry	For enjoying Spanish lessons, making excellent progress and showing excellent and positive attitude towards the language.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE 98%

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RCooke	95	RWaddell	97
IMurphy	99	IAhlberg	99
2Donaldson	99	2Rosen	99
3Zephaniah	99	3Lewis	99
4Dahl	98	4Rowling	96
5Morpurgo	94	5Horowitz	99
6 Shakespeare	96	6 Blackman	100

DATES FOR SUMMER TERM

Mon 6th July	Y6 Production @ East Ferry 6pm Y1 - Southend Beach School Trip
Mon 6th - Wed 8th July	MOVIE WEEK 4-5pm - Please book via Arbor, open 26/06 @ 4pm
Tue 7th July	Prize Giving - School Hall - Parents Invited KS2 (Y3, 4 & 5) - 9:30am EYFS - 1:15pm KS1 (Y1 & 2) - 2pm Y6 School Trip to Chessington
Thur 9th Jul	Last day of Summer 2 - school closes at 12pm
Thur 3rd Sept	First day Autumn 1 Term 2026-27 Academic Year

HELP US CHOOSE SCHOOL LOGO

Thank you to the many parents and carers who took part in the poll for our new school name. This was invaluable in helping us to reach the right decision. As promised, we will be launching new websites for each school in the new academic year and in preparation for this we have been working on slightly amending the schools' logos to reflect the name change. Now is your chance to have your say on what you think we should do next. Please click on [this link](#) to see the two options we are considering. Both options retain the Canary Wharf skyline that is synonymous with the school, and this has been updated to better reflect the current environment. Each option includes several variations that will be used across different platforms, such as websites, uniforms, stationery and signage, while maintaining a consistent identity. We look forward to your feedback.

WITH THANKS AND BEST WISHES

We would like to say a sincere thank you and farewell to four valued members of our teaching team who will be moving on to new chapters.

Ms Soroko, our Year 4 teacher, will be moving out of London. We are very grateful for her care, dedication and the positive impact she has had on her pupils.

Ms Adedeji, our Year 2 teacher, is moving on to a new role and school. We thank her for her enthusiasm, commitment and the nurturing learning environment she has created.

Miss Reynolds, our Year 6 teacher, will be moving to a school closer to home. We are grateful for her hard work and the strong support she has given her class during their final primary year.

Miss Rokka, our Art Teacher, will be relocating to Manchester to pursue her art career. We are very grateful for her creativity, inspiration and the passion she has brought to art at EF.