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Let's talk about the... **Shaping Stebon's Future' Conference!**

So, it's the beginning of the spring term, which can only mean the days beginning to get a bit longer, the early spring bulbs starting to poke their heads above ground and ... the fantastic Shaping Stebon's Future conference for parents in a couple of short weeks' time.

Ok, maybe the word 'conference' makes it sound a bit formal & grand. Parents who have come along in previous years will tell you that it feels more like a nice get-together with tea, coffee, biscuits, and friendly people where we can come & share our views about Stebon.

Whatever you want to call it. 'Shaping Stebon's Future' is an annual opportunity for parents to get together with school leaders and members of the local governing board to celebrate the work of the school and discuss ways in which we can still improve. Your ideas are then used to compile a document for change that we call 'Parent Power', detailing the difference your ideas have made throughout the year. Last year's one is [here](#).

It also means that we can pass on your positive messages of thanks directly to staff for the job they do for your children every day.

In previous years, we have responded to parents' suggestions around social distancing at the beginning and the end of the day; we have improved our communication through email, Twitter, our website and even revamping this newsletter; we have amended the training offer for parents & we have even made important changes to the curriculum for children.

If you've never come before, be brave and let this year be your first. If you come every year, we really look forward to seeing you again - this year, bring a friend. We love hearing your perspectives & your ideas - they really do matter and they really do make a difference.

Kind regards

Jeremy
Headteacher





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Key dates:

Tue 3 Jan - Thu 9 Feb 2023:
School open for Spring term

Wed 18 Jan - Fri 27 Jan 2023:
Year 4 Gorsefield residentials

Thu 2 Feb 2023: Shaping
Stebon's Future Parent
Conference

Tue 7- Thu 9 Feb 2023: Y3 & Y2
performances

Fri 10 Feb 2023: Staff INSET
(school closed)

Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2023:
School closed for half term

Mon 20 Feb 2023: additional
staff INSET (school closed)

[Click here for 2022-23 term
dates](#)

[Click here for Oct 2022-Apr
2023 lunch menu](#)

**Congratulations to Y5 Nelson
Mandela class with 97.1%
attendance, the highest this
week!**

Attendance

**Every day matters – Every
minute counts!**

Stebon's magic number is
97 This is because we are
aiming for 97% attendance.

**This week's whole school
attendance was 92.6%**

Come on Stebon!



NEU industrial action

As you may have heard, the National Education Union (NEU) has given notice for a series of national and regional strikes to take place over the next couple of months. For us in the London region, those dates are:

Wednesday 1 February (national strike)

Thursday 2 March (London regional strike))

Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March (national strikes)

Only teachers who are members of the NEU will be called upon to strike. All other staff will be at work as usual.

We will be taking steps to ensure that we can remain open for the maximum number of children on each of these days & will, of course, let you know about any changes in arrangements.

Unless you hear otherwise, please assume that your child's class will remain open.

A CHANGE TO INSET DAYS—FEBRUARY

Please note that we will have a staff INSET day on Monday 20 February 2023. School will be closed for pupils on this day. This will be in addition to the INSET day on Friday 10 February 2023 so the last day of this half term for pupils will be Thursday 9 February 2023 and we will open again on Tuesday 21 February 2023 for the second half of the term.

We would like to inform you of confirmed changes to term dates for 2022-2023. Term dates for the academic year can be found on the Stebon website.

School open:
INSET (School closed):
Half term:
INSET (School closed):
School open:
Spring Holiday:
School open:
May Bank Holiday:
Polling Day:
Bank Holiday:
(King Charles III Coronation)
INSET (School closed):
Half term:
INSET (School closed):
School open:

Tues 3 Jan – Thu 9 Feb 2023
Friday 10 Feb 2023
Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2023
Mon 20 Feb 2023
Tue 21 Feb – Fri 31 Mar 2023
Mon 3 April – Friday 14 April 2023
Mon 17 April – Friday 26 May 2023
Mon 1 May 2023
Thu 4 May 2023
Mon 8 May 2023
Mon 15 May 2023
Mon 29 May – Fri 2 June 2023
Mon 5 June 2023
Tue 6 June – Fri 21 July 2023

Eid-ul-Fitr(school closed):
KS2 SATs week:

Fri 21 Apr 2023
Tue 9 May 2023 – Fri 12 May 2023



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Emmeline Pankhurst class (Y4) have explored the local forest and taken part in team building, archery, cycling and fire making. Everyone has slept and eaten well and are having a great time at Gorsefield.



The Mile End Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team visited us to speak with Reception and Year 1 children. The children had lots of questions for the officers!



Bow Arts worked with three of our Explorers groups last term to make artworks to commemorate certain people and groups. The first of these has been installed in our playground!





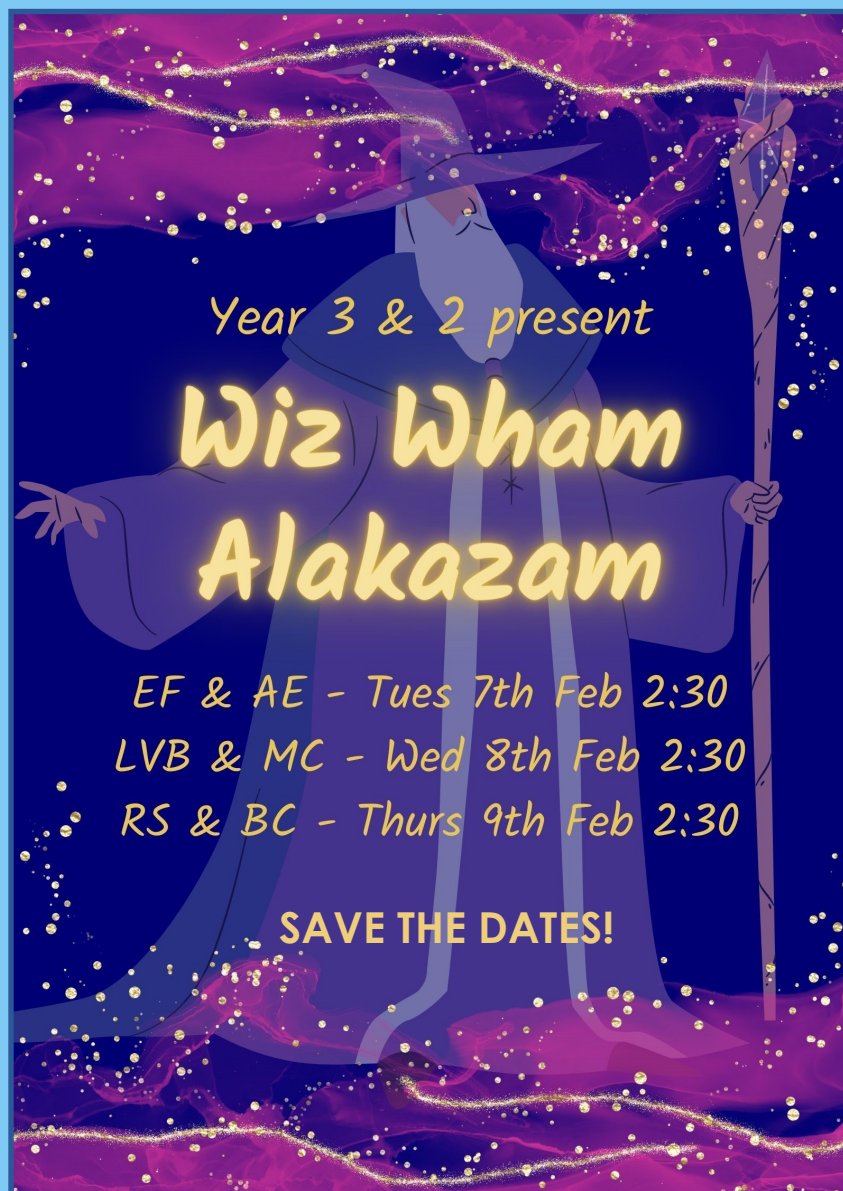
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Year 3 & 2 present

Wiz Wham Alakazam

EF & AE - Tues 7th Feb 2:30
LVB & MC - Wed 8th Feb 2:30
RS & BC - Thurs 9th Feb 2:30

SAVE THE DATES!

Year 4 parents and carers! Tickets for **Wed 29th March** Shakespeare Schools Festival are on sale NOW!

Book through the Greenwich Theatre website: <https://greenwichtheatre.org.uk/events/shakespeare-schools-festival-23/>



Thank you so much to parents that attended the meeting today about the Y6 SATs. We hope the information shared gave a bit of an insight into what your child is expected to do.

We will also be running the same meeting after school on Monday afternoon at 3:45pm if you were unable to attend (or if you want to come again).

The Kitchen will be serving a themed menu on Tuesday 24 January to celebrate Chinese New Year!

The menu will include a BBQ Chicken Bao Bun or Vegetarian Chow Mein served with delicious sides of Asian Apple Slaw, Sweetcorn and Carrots.

Followed by an Orange Jelly with Mandarin.



2023
Happy New Year!

BBQ Chicken Bao Bun
Or
Vegetarian Chow Mein
Served with
Asian Apple Slaw
Sweetcorn & Carrots

Dessert
Orange Jelly with Mandarin
Fresh Fruit Platter

新年快樂





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For parents and their child aged 4-6 years old



1.30pm - 3.30pm



**Every Tuesday from
17th January -
14th March 2023**



Chanel Ahmed



Get in touch to find out more, we would love to hear from you!

FAMILIES CONNECT

Enjoy helping your child
learn at home



- ★ Your child will love spending time with you
- ★ Try out free games and activities to play at home that will help your child learn and develop



What is Families Connect?

- ★ 1 hour a week (parents only)
- ★ 1 hour a week with your child
- ★ 6 weeks
- ★ Parents and children aged:

Spend time with other parents and carers

- Talk about the activities that help your children learn
- Share your own advice and challenges
- Share games and activities to play at home

What will I do?

- Learn and play together as a family
- Understand feelings, praise and listening
- Explore books and stories
- Play with numbers and counting



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15 Hours **FREE** Early Learning for two-year-olds

020 7364 1553

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/earlylearning

Development for children

Learning through activities and play enables children to grow and develop, as well as improve their communication and social skills.

Opportunities for parents/carers

Early education can also allow you to pursue a hobby, have some 'me time', get into education, start training, or go back to work.



HOW TO APPLY

1 Check eligibility

You can usually qualify if:

- you are in receipt of Universal Credit
- your child is under the care of the council
- you earn below £16,000 pa, per household
- your child is in receipt of DLA.

If you need more information, visit your local Children and Family Centre or contact the Family Information Service on **020 7364 6495**.

2 Choose provider

- Contact your local Children and Family Centre for details
- Contact your local early education provider
- Contact the Family Information Service

3 Complete application form



Scan me to apply for free Early Learning for your two-year-old or visit <https://bit.ly/LBTHEL2>

4 Arrange start date

Your early education provider will contact you to agree a start date for your child.

Your child can take up their free place from the term after they turn two

Turns two between 1 April – 31 August
Start from September (autumn term)

Turns two between 1 September – 31 December
Start from January (spring term)

Turns two between 1 January – 31 March
Start from April (summer term)



Stebon will be having open evenings for 2023 admissions from 4pm on the following dates

Nursery:

Tuesday 24 January 2023 & Thursday 2 February 2023

EL2:

Monday 6 February 2023 & Thursday 9 February 2023

To find out more about open evenings and admissions come to the school office, email admin@stebon.org.uk or call us on 020 7987 4237



**Artsmark
Gold Award**
Awarded by Arts
Council England