



**Message from
Mrs Jackson, MBE
Headteacher**



Dear Parents,

We are pleased to welcome Miss Norton to our staff team as our new Year 3 Teaching Assistant. Miss Norton will begin working with the Year 3 team after half term.

**Open Evening,
Tuesday 12th July
3.30pm-7pm**

You are invited to come into your child's class to collect their end of year report and look through their year's work. Please attend with your child/ren, to discuss their achievements with them. Results for the phonics screening check (for Years 1&2), Year 4 multiplication check, Year 2 end of key stage and Year 6 SATS will also be included in reports. The teacher will be available for a short informal discussion about your child's progress. If you prefer a confidential 1:1 meeting, please book an appointment.

Family support

We realise that the recent increases in the cost of living may be worrying some families. We have direct links with a number of support services who can help. For example, we can make referrals to food banks. If you require support, please do speak to our family support worker, Ms Kor.

Have a wonderful summer term, everyone!

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MARYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

A very special announcement

We are very, very happy to announce that Mrs Jackson has been awarded an MBE in the Queen's birthday honours list on 2nd June, she was recognised for her services to education and her outstanding contribution to the profession. An article has been published online on the Newham Recorder's website and will be available in the paper edition next week.

The following is an excerpt from the article.

Lorna Jackson, who lives in Stratford and has been headteacher of Maryland Primary School since 2001, was recognised for her services to education.

Lorna was born in Jamaica and came to England aged five in 1961. But her younger years saw her endure discrimination at a secondary school in north London where she said she was the only black child.

She started at Hartley School in East Ham in 1979, becoming one of few black teachers in Newham at the time. Lorna became deputy head of Maryland Infant School in 1985 - the school becoming Maryland Primary in 1990.

Lorna is most proud of the school's improved educational standards during her time in charge. She added: "I enjoy the impact that our school environment has on the lives of our children, some of whom are facing unprecedented challenges in their young lives.

"Children will tell you that Mrs Jackson likes calm - whilst taking a deep breath in and out to demonstrate what they mean." For her, leadership is "about instilling ambition and enhancing talents" and believes her career has served as inspiration for others. Lorna said: "I have my life story in a timeline in photos outside my office where visitors and children can see where I started my journey as a Windrush child back in the countryside of Jamaica in 1955, with my one beloved dolly and not much more".

I have a mantra displayed on the wall in my office that states:

'Those who say it can't be done should not disturb the person doing it'.



The Lydiard Group
(African Caribbean Women Educators) congratulates
Lorna Jackson MBE
for service to education

The announcement was featured in the London Gazette, Sky News and the Evening Standard.

Congratulations, Mrs Jackson, we are extremely proud of you!



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JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

A very special announcement continued...

Mrs Jackson said that 'this award is not just for me but for the thousands of children who have passed through my school over many years and given me joy and passion to continue to make a positive change to their lives.'

The award is also for my local community who have given me unwavering support, particularly throughout COVID. Our school did not close throughout the time as we felt it was our duty to support the children of key workers. We even opened on Bank holidays to support our families. The award is also for my staff, my team of educators who work valiantly not just to educate our students, but to care for their wellbeing and mental health.'



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations



Her Majesty dropped in for Maryland's picnic..

Thank you parents, children and staff in celebrating the Platinum Jubilee. It was a memorable experience for us as well as the children. 70 years on the throne is a great achievement and a first in history! The children explored through assemblies and history lessons the significance of this event so that they know that they have a place in history.



Mrs Jackson, Headteacher, commented

'I have been fortunate enough to celebrate the Queen's Silver, Gold, Diamond and now Platinum Jubilee. I can honestly say this is the best one yet, so we tried to make it extra special for our 500 children to mark their place in history.'

We would like to thank the school cook and her team for preparing the wonderful picnic lunch for staff and children and also to the lunchtime managers for their tireless contribution on the day.

Thank you to our school neighbours on Buxton and Gurney Road for their continued support of the school during our community events.'





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Well done Maryland!

Please see the wonderful feedback that we received from **Paul Smith, Head of Learning and Achievement** for Newham who visited the school in May.

'Firstly, may I thank you once again for showing me the **wonderful educational and enrichment experiences** you offer all children'.

He described Maryland as:

- building a wonderfully **powerful** and **enriching** learning environment for children and staff
- offering **awe and wonder** at every head turn, to inspire, motivate and guide them in their learning, growth and development.
- the **wealth of reading materials** and the many **wonderful art displays** and commissions, inside and outside of the buildings, underpinned by your unique approach to equality
- I am certain every child who attends Maryland is **exceptionally well supported** in their day to day learning, growth and development.
- you offer **life changing opportunities** - there is not enough space or time to **showcase the impact** you have had and continue to have for so many children and their families.
- I particularly appreciated the opportunity to interact with the children and to see first-hand their **thirst and love of learning** and their enjoyment of being at Maryland Primary School.
- your school is truly one of the most **remarkable and exceptional PLACES** to be, I have been to some of the best schools in the world, which would suggest they offer more for private fee paying customers.
- your school absolutely tops those schools, in my own personal opinion.

We are so pleased with this feedback.



Parents, can you help?

OFSTED visit

We are expecting Ofsted and they will want to know your views. Ofsted will send a letter to parents informing you of the lead inspector and a guide. They will ask for you to complete ParentView to register your views about Maryland. Thank you to everyone who has completed it so far. You can check it online on <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Defibrillator appeal

Maryland Primary School are working alongside AEDdonate to have a defibrillator installed in their community. If defibrillation takes place within the first three minutes of a Sudden Cardiac Arrest, the patient's chances of survival increase by upwards of 80%. Thanks to generous donations and fundraising efforts from our school we have already raised £915 of our £1375 target! We still have a little way to go though, so if you are able to contribute please visit <https://www.aeddonate.org.uk/projects/marylandprimaryschool/>



Placing defibrillators in YOUR community



Silver Quality Mark for Sports

We are delighted to have been awarded with a silver quality mark for sports. This is in recognition of all of the fantastic sports and P.E. at Maryland including:

- The range of sports clubs on offer
- Our participation in inter-school competitions such as mini Olympics and panathlons

We are now aiming for gold next time!



Holiday Care

Wright Education Monday-Friday, 7:30-6pm. Price £20 per day. Contact: Sandra by calling 07852137462 or emailing Info@wrighteducationuk.com You can also visit www.wrighteducationuk.com

JUNE/JULY 2022

Monday 6th June -Friday 17th	Class 14 swimming lessons
Monday 20th June—Friday 1st	Class 13 swimming lessons
Friday 17th June	Year 4 educational visit—River Lea walk with the Canals & River
Tuesday 21st June	Induction morning for parents and pupils joining Reception in September 2022
Wednesday 22nd June	Year 6 Junior Citizen trip to Tate and Lyle
Tuesday 28th June	Year 2 visit to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
Thursday 30th June	Year 5 visit to London Zoo
Friday 1st July	Year 3 visit to Natural History Museum
Monday 4th July-Friday 15th	Lolly weeks
Wednesday 6th July	Sports Day
Tuesday 12th July	Open Evening, 3.30-7pm
Thursday 14th July	Year 6 Graduation, 2-3pm
Wednesday 20th July	Last day for pupils. School finishes at 1pm.
Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd	Staff INSET days School closed to pupils.

Please contact Mrs Gajowska, Technical Manager, if you wish to advertise in our monthly newsletter.

