



**Dear parents:** .... I take the whole school on my own for Monday morning assembly. It is a balancing act to make it relevant for older pupils and yet enjoyable for the younger children in the infants. This week was National Poetry Week as I love poetry I thought what could be a better way to start the week. I started with some CBBC characters and then thought try one of my own modern favourites Benjamin Zephaniah with his take on Turkeys at Christmas. Wow did that work well as it is a genuinely funny poem. Then I thought story telling with the local writer Michael Rosen and the story every parent has read to their own children.: "We're going on a Bear Hunt." .... children love poetry that involves music, actions and laughter. So this evening why not find some poetry. Assembly today also celebrated the learning and reciting of poetry. Great week.

## School news this week ....

**Monday ....** Cycle training began for Year 5 all week.

**Cats test Year 6 for 3 days.**

**Wednesday ...** Year 4 assembly well done to Ms Claire Walshe and her class

**Thursday ..** National Poetry Week celebration.

**Friday ...** achievement assembly for Poetry

## Attendance last week ....

**Best class is Year 5 once again and for Lateness it's Year 3 best class.**

Week Beginning 24/09/2018	Attendance	Late
Nursery	87.07%	2.72%
Reception	97.00%	3.00%
Year 1	97.00%	2.34%
Year 2	97.33%	0.66%
Year 3	95.67%	0.33%
Year 4	96.21%	1.03%
Year 5	98.57%	1.43%
Year 6	93.93%	1.78%

## Pics of the week ....

**Benjamin Zephaniah on Turkeys for Christmas. Michael Rosen going on his Bear Hunt and going to capture a big one..... Year 4 telling everyone about what the Romans did for us ..well done Ms Walshe and her class.**

## School news next week ....

**Monday ....** Year 1 visiting the Barbican 11am to see the LSO perform Peter and the Wolf. Lucky them should be great.

**Tuesday ...**school photographer in.

**Wednesday ...** Year 3 assembly 9.15am all welcome.

**Thursday ..** Year 2 trip around our local area.

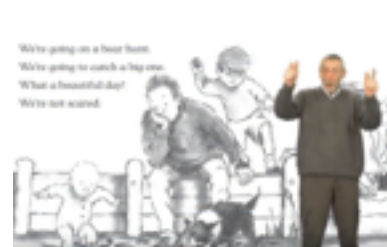
**Friday ...** lots of new parents coming around. Flu immunisation 1.00pm. Reception to Year 5.

## Nursery vacancies update .... 2018

**If you know anyone who is looking for a Nursery place for their child aged (01/09/2014 to 31/08/2015) please contact the school office on 0207 254 7353**

## Spanish words of the week are ....

**Octubre and naranja ..** please help your children and your own family as we all learn Spanish this year. First word is easy second one is a fruit and a colour



**and finally** .. anyway coming from an Irish tradition my parents encouraged me and my brother to learn and recite poetry by heart can still quote Yeats, Shelley and Shakespeare .... start with two lines and move on up ... best wishes to those four primary schools in Newham closed for a month because of False Widow Spiders.. Friday night Brighton v West Ham starting the weekend smiling I hope !