



NEWSLETTER

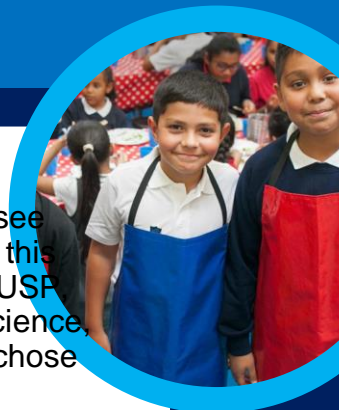
Week ending 12th January 2024

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Dear Families,

Happy New Year! It has been wonderful to welcome the children back and see them settling in reassuring routines. Staff from both schools shared training this January on new curriculum for science, history, geography and art called CUSP, first aid and training on Autism in schools. The children have already had science, history and an art lesson this week using CUSP. The premise and why we chose it was to ensure the cognitive load is managed whilst retaining our focus on ambitious use of language, conceptual interest and deepening without overwhelming. Please do ask your child about what they have learnt this week in these lessons, it will help make the learning and their memory sticky to permanent. Teachers are very excited, as are the children!

Our wonderful Mr Hall is now working across both schools as our team continues to go from strength to strength. We certainly are stronger together. Wishing you a warm weekend.



*Mrs Smith
& Mr Hall*



DIARY DATES

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| 23/01/2024 | New Nursery students school tour | 26/02/2024 | Bow Art Workshop for Y3 & Y4 |
| 29/01/2024 | Young Voices performance | 27/02/2024 | Bow Art Workshop for Y1 & Y2 |
| 06/02/2024 | Nur, Rec and Year 1 fluoride dental visit | | |
| 23/02/2024 | Bow Art Workshop for Y5 & Y6 | | |



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Our school target is 96%
This week: 91%

1st place:
Year 5 with 97%
You met the school target!

2nd place:
Year 1 with 95%

Congratulations to the top classes this week!

Best punctuality (fewest lates)
Reception – 4 lates

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Our attendance policy is on our school website.
Paper copies are available from the office.

The Attendance Welfare Officer (AWO) checks our school registers regularly and will contact parents by letter, telephone or a home visit if there is a cause for concern. Formal referral of pupils with persistently less than 90% attendance may be made. Be aware that parents can ultimately be prosecuted for non-attendance offences.



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POLITE NOTICE

At St. Paul with St. Luke, we are very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents/carers. Our parents recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between parents, class teachers and the school community. As a partnership, our parents will understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons we continue to welcome and encourage parents/carers to participate fully in the life of our school. However, if a parent/carer's conduct falls short of this we will take necessary steps to address this.

Every child has the right to be on the school site but parents and carers are invited, therefore we remind you that you must conduct yourself in line with our code of conduct policy.

This policy is on our website and paper copies are available from the office.



Clubs and boosters will resume from Monday 15th January 2024.

We have sent the club leaflet out and also, emails with the club leaflet attached.

Please contact Demi or Madeha for more information.



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Applying for a nursery or reception school place for September 2024?



To support families with the nursery and reception school application process, the Transition Support Service in partnership with the School Admissions Service are offering free online advice sessions.

Reception application advice sessions (children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tower-hamlets-get-ready-2024-applying-to-reception-tickets-751671067397>

Tuesday 12 December 2023 at 1pm

Wednesday 10 January 2024 at 10am

Reception application deadline: Monday 15 January 2024.

Nursery application advice sessions (children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021): <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tower-hamlets-get-set-2024-applying-to-nursery-tickets-751629101877>

Tuesday 19 December 2023, 1pm

Wednesday 17 January 2024, 10am

Nursery application deadline: Friday 16 February 2024.

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MAYOR OF LONDON

Date: 9 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the new term begins, I wanted to share some fantastic news about my Universal Free School Meals programme – it's extending until the middle of 2025!

As the Mayor of London, I'm so proud we've funded more than 17 million free school meals for around 287,000 primary school children in London since September.

However, I know times are still tough for many Londoners and I am committed to doing all that I can to support families through these difficult times.

I am now extending funding for Universal Free School Meals for another academic school year between September 2024 and July 2025. This means that primary school aged children who attend a state funded school in London will continue to receive a healthy, nutritious meal so that no child goes hungry in the classroom, and all pupils can better concentrate on their studies.

I am also increasing the amount of money boroughs and schools receive to £3 per meal. The grant that I provide is now 18.5% higher than the offer from national Government for Universal Infant Free School Meals.

This extension will provide a safety net for families and could save parents and carers up to £1,000 per child across the two years.

Eating a nutritious meal everyday is hugely beneficial to children and families both in the short and long term. As someone who received free school meals myself growing up, I know they can be a lifeline, helping children to reach their full potential.



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As Mayor of London, I also fundamentally believe that feeding our children shouldn't be an optional luxury but should rank as one of our society's top priorities. Making sure our children are properly fed and healthy is vital to building a better London for everyone – a city that is fairer, safer, more inclusive and more prosperous for all. This is why I will continue to call on the Government to step forward and provide the funding needed to make our Universal Free School Meal programme permanent.

Even though your child is receiving their free school meals automatically, it is still vitally important – if you have not done so already – to complete your school or borough's short registration form in case your child is eligible for extra funding for their school from the Government, worth over £1,300 per year. That's more money for extracurricular activities, teacher development and support for children who need it most. This will ensure you'll also receive any other benefits you may be entitled to, like food vouchers during the holidays. Ask your school for more info or visit your borough website.

For more information about this and anything else about the scheme please visit our online hub: <https://www.london.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

Families who are having difficulties with their financial situation can also access advice and support by visiting my cost-of-living hub here: <https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/communities-and-social-justice/help-cost-living>

I wish you and your family a happy and healthy 2024. I will continue to do everything I can to support families across London.

Warmest wishes,



Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London



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SEND SUPPORT GROUP



- **Come and meet other parents**
- **Share information**
- **Younger children welcome**
- **Monthly guest speakers**
- **No diagnosis needed**

This terms sessions are:

January 11th and 25th

February 8th and 22nd

March 14th and 28th

10am -12pm

For more information contact:

Tower Hamlets & City SEND IASS

30 Greatorex Street, Whitechapel, London E1 5NP

020 7364 6489



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SEND IASS

Your guide to information and
services for families in Tower Hamlets

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FamiliesMatter

Parent and Family Support Service



Emotional First Aid

A course to support parents' emotional health and well-being
Bengali speaking programme

Is everyday life sometimes stressful?
Feeling pressured by children and family life?
You're not alone! Take time out for self-care.

Venue:	Stepney Park Primary School Smithy Street London E1 3BW
Date:	Wednesday mornings (6 weeks course) 24 January, 31 st January, 7 th February, 21 st February, 28 th February & 6 th March 2024
Time:	10am-12.30pm
How to refer:	Self-referrals are accepted - please email: parenting@towerhamlets.gov.uk or call on 020 7364 6398
During the course you will:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Meet other parents and build up a network of support. ➤ Discover new ways to manage your worries. ➤ Identify the early signs of anxiety in adults, children, and young people. ➤ Find out about services available in Tower Hamlets to support families. 	





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- ✓ **Stress and Anxiety**
- ✓ **Depression**
- ✓ **School life**
- ✓ **Home and Family**
- ✓ **Grief and Loss**
- ✓ **Sexuality**
- ✓ **Fears and Phobias**

London Young Counselling

UK based school counselling services.

LYC runs 1:1 confidential counselling sessions for students in school with one of our counsellors.

For more information on how we run, please see our details below or speak to a member of staff at the school.

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