







**NEWSLETTER** W/E 22nd November 2024

# Dear Families,

As the seasons change, so does the weather! This week, we experienced our first glimpse of winter with a light dusting of snow, reminding us all of the importance of staying warm. Please ensure children are coming to school dressed in appropriate clothing, including coats, hats, and gloves, to keep them comfortable during outdoor play and activities.

This week, Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 children worked with artists from Bow Arts. They created stunning pieces of digital art, exploring creativity through technology. Their enthusiasm was contagious, and we can't wait for KS1 to take part in their own Bow Arts sessions next week.

Have a wonderful weekend!





# **Pupil absence**

If your child is absence from school, please contact the school office daily until they return.

Thank you



# **DIARY DATES**

18/11/2024 - 29/11/2024: Attendance week

26/11/2024: Chefs in School programme - food samples at

3:30pm

04/12/2024-11/12/2024: Travelling Book Fair - browse

and buy books

05/12/2024: Jack & The Beanstalk Christmas Panto - All

students











# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR
ATTENDANCE
FIGURES
ACTUALLY MEAN?

# **BE SMART BE THERE!**

Percentages based on 190 academic days

# Our school target is 96%! Come on everyone, we can do it!

# **Polite reminder:**

Children need to be in school on time.

Gates open at 8:45 and close at 8:55. Early morning learning at this time sets the children up for the day.

Our Attendance Welfare Officer (AWA), Ranu Begum, attends school every Thursday morning. Ranu checks our school registers regularly and will contact parents & guardians by letter or telephone. Meetings and home visits will be completed if there is a cause for concern.

Formal referrals of pupils with persistent absence or below 90% attendance will be made. Children need to be in school every day. Parents should be aware that they can ultimately be prosecuted for non-attendance offences.

We know that sometimes- even with children at school 190 out of 365 days in the year- they may fall ill. This can be worrying so please see advice from our local teams on

https://www.towerhamletstogether.com/files/Care Confident Booklet A5 InteractiveBooklet2

<u>.pdf</u> on common illnesses and when to seek support. Additional sports including swimming benefit children to be healthier and smarter. Please ensure children take full advantage of this by wearing appropriate kit and making sure they bring it with them each week!









# **Polite Reminder**

We are committed to maintaining a safe, welcoming, and positive environment for everyone in our school community, including students, staff, and parents. To help us achieve this, we kindly remind parents and carers of the importance of appropriate conduct while on school premises.

# **Show Respect in All Interactions**

- Approach staff, other parents, and students with courtesy and respect.
- Use a polite tone when discussing any concerns or queries. If issues arise, these can be addressed calmly and through the proper channels.

# Be Mindful of Language and Behavior

- Avoid inappropriate language, raised voices, or aggressive gestures.
- Refrain from spitting on school premises, as this poses a health and hygiene risk and goes against our shared values of respect and care.

# **Follow School Policies**

- Adhere to the school's guidelines on drop-off and pick-up procedures, safety protocols, and visitor policies.
- Ensure that disputes or grievances are handled privately and not brought into the school environment.

# **Support Our Community Values**

 Model kindness, patience, and understanding in all interactions, reinforcing the values we teach our students every day.







# Attendance update

A big thank you to those parents and children who have made the extra effort to help improve attendance. Lots of parents this week would have received a call from the school office to celebrate the improvement to their child's attendance.

We do however still have some children whose attendance still needs that extra push and for those children a reminder letter will be sent home offering support and advice.

If you have not heard from the school then that is because your child's attendance is above **96% - Well done and thank** you!

Polite reminder:
Children need to be in school every day and on time.
Gates are open for 10 minutes every day from 8:45 - 8:55. Early morning learning at this time sets the children up for the day.
Some have targeted interventions at this time.









# Important Dates:



Christmas events	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Panto!
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Open Mornings
Tuesday 10th December	Ice Skating at Canary Wharf - Y5 & Y6
Tuesday 11th December	Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper day
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Winter fair
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Class parties - Last Day!





















On Thursday, Year 2 had an unforgettable trip to the Monument! We boarded the bus to the Tower of London, marveling at a mix of historic and modern buildings along the way, including some breathtaking churches. Upon arriving at the Tower, we explored its ancient walls and uncovered a blend of old-world charm and newer features. Afterward, we took a scenic stroll along the Thames, soaking in the sights of Tower Bridge and London Bridge. Our favorite moment was spotting a battleship and watching the Uber boats dock. We then made our way to the towering Monument, with a quick stop at historic Pudding Lane before heading back, full of excitement from our incredible adventure!











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# ATTENDANCE WEEK: 18<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

This November, we're excited to announce a special attendance challenge with some truly delightful rewards for our students! From **18th** 

29th November, students who attend school every single day will enjoy extra break time to unwind and have fun with their friends. But that's not all—our daily achievers will also be invited to a high tea with Ms. Begum!

It's a wonderful opportunity for them to celebrate their commitment and hard work in a special way. Let's encourage our children to take on this challenge and make lasting memories!

Join us in supporting their success—let's make November unforgettable!





















# Coffee morning: Friday 29th November 2024 at 9am!



Hannah (Education Wellbeing Practitioner) will be running the workshop!

THEWS are here to help children who may be having a difficult time. THEWS work with schools to provide a wellbeing led approach and they look to you as parent and carers to help us on this journey.

THEWS are here to support 4-19 year olds who attend school or college by giving them the tools they need to build positive mental health. Your child may be experiencing low mood, anxiety or behavioural difficulties and they can help you and them approach these.

There will be homemade cake and tea/coffee served!

















# CHEFS W SCHOOLS CHEFS W SCHOOLS

As a part of our Chefs in School programme, Chef Dan and Sous Chef Meg are delighted to offer you a chance to sample two dishes from our current menu - chicken pie and chocolate chip banana bread!

Samples will be handed out on Tuesday 26th November 2024 at 3:30pm.

We hope you'll enjoy these dishes and we look forward to your feedback.













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Centre
Story telling

Year 1
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Plants
workshop

Year 2
Monument
Great Fire Of
London walk

Year 4
Tower Of
London

Year 5
Science
Museum

Year 6
Imperial War
Museum







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Reception	Astou Diakphate Safwa Jama
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Year 2	Hayden Sultan-Hart Michael Shahin
Year 3	Ahmed Osman Sharleez Rahman
Year 4	James Bui Lillie-Jane
Year 5	Charlie Baker Maira Begum
Year 6	Lola Crockett Ayan Shahnewaz





# Mark 13:1-8

The disciples had looked in awe at the Temple buildings that had been completed by Herod the Great, but Jesus predicted that they would be destroyed (the Romans did this in the year 70CE). Jesus warned the disciples of coming turmoil when the familiar and 'safe' would be destroyed. However, there is hope in the turmoil – birth pangs, although painful, bring new life.



Encouraging others to live well.









# Academic Calendar 2024-2025

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#### Autumn term 2024

#### Term 1

04/09/2024 - 25/10/2024

## Half term

28/10/2024 - 01/11/2024

#### Term 2

04/11/2024 - 20/12/2024

## Christmas break

23/12/2024 - 03/01/2025

## Spring term 2025

#### Term 1

07/01/2025 - 14/02/2025

#### Half term

17/02/2025 - 21/02/2025

#### Term 2

24/02/2025 - 11/04/2025

## Easter break

14/04/2025 - 25/04/2025

#### Summer term 2025

#### Term 1

28/04/2025 - 23/05/2025

#### Half term

26/05/2025 -30/05/2025

#### Term 2

02/06/2025 - 18/07/2025

## Inset days

Inset 1 - 02/09/2024

## Inset 2 - 03/09/2024

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Inset 3 - 06/01/2025

Inset 4 - 31/03/2025 twilight

Inset 5 - TBC twilight

## Bank holidays Eid days

25/12/2024 31/03/2025 26/12/2024 07/06/2025

01/01/2025

18/04/2025

21/04/2025

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