

## NEWSLETTER W/E 10th January 2025

Dear families,

Welcome back, to a wonderful new year. Our Epiphany started with Professor Paul Miller from the Institute of Social Equity. In a climate where poverty, crisis, division and fracture is prevalent along with a range of anxieties, ensuring school can and does include everyone, and we all belong from child to adult is important to us. We continued with a visit to the Houses of Parliament for a presentation by government leaders on social and emotional learning, especially with special educational needs and safeguarding and early years. One of the speakers summarised this as living well with yourself and others. There will be more on this as we go through because it is a golden thread in all we do.

Wishing you a warm weekend,

*Mrs Smith  
& Mr Hall*



### DIARY DATES

13/01/2025: NED show

16/01/2025: Tower Hamlets Schools' ParaSports programme

22/01/2025: Inner London Cricket Programme

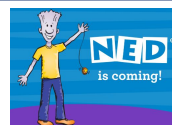
12/02/2025: Inner London Cricket Programme

12/03/2025 - 19/03/2025: Travelling Book Fair

## SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD



The NED Show is visiting our school! The assembly will be filled with storytelling, humour, illusions and amazing yo-yo tricks where students will learn the hidden message in NED's name: Never give up, Encourage, Do your best.



Our school received this assembly at no-cost because another school paid-it-forward to us. We want to help pay-it-forward too, and you can help by purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo.

**If you are interested in purchasing, please see allocated day and time below for each class.**

Tuesday 14.01.2025 - Nursery and Reception  
 Wednesday 15.01.2025 - Year 1 and Year 2  
 Thursday 16.01.2025 - Year 3 and Year 4  
 Friday 17.01.2025 - Year 5 and Year 6  
 Monday 20.01.2024 - **Whole school**

Pop-up shop will run from 3:30-4:00

Please collect your child from the hall on your allocated day.

### CASH PAYMENT ONLY.

#### CLASSIC YOS

Learn the basics of yo-yoing with assorted fixed axel yo-yos.

**£8**



#### SUPER SPINNERS

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, these auto-return yo-yos 'sleep' at the end of the string & then come back to you automatically

**£10**



#### SPECIALTY SELECTION

Assorted professional long spin yo-yos for next level tricks!

**£13**



#### REPLACEMENT STRING PACK

Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn out yo-yo string.



**£4**

#### YO-YO HOLSTER

Keep track of your yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your belt loop or backpack (yo-yo not included).



**£6**

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95%	=	<b>47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	<b>95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	<b>142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	<b>190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR</b> 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

**BE SMART BE THERE!**

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR  
ATTENDANCE  
FIGURES  
ACTUALLY MEAN?

### Pupil absence

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

Thank you

**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.pdf](https://www.towerhamletstogether.com/files/Care_Confident_Booklet_A5_InteractiveBooklet2.pdf) 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!

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Hello all

My name is Louise Wilcox and I am delighted to be joining St Paul's with St Luke's and St Saviours as your new SENCo, and hoping to fill the role as well as Mr French has done.

Like all SENCOs my background is in teaching and I have worked in East London Schools Primary Schools since 2003. For the last ten years I have worked in Tower Hamlets as an Advisor, firstly with Cherry Trees Outreach Service and then with the Local Authority to support schools to make changes to for children who are struggling. I was also the SENCo at St Agnes School which some of you may know, it's good to be staying within the Diocese.

I will be holding coffee mornings soon to meet with any parent who would like to meet with me informally to discuss anything that may be concerning to you - or just to say hello. Details to follow.

In the meantime, while I try to get to know the children, their needs and the schools, if you need to contact me you can do it through the school admin email addresses and they will pass it on to me.

Looking forward to meeting you

Best wishes



## SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD

### Uniform Reminder

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours.

#### Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- is designed with health and safety in mind;
- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is conducive to good educational practice

#### Uniform list

The following items should all be appropriately labelled with the child's name.

##### Clothing & Footwear

Plain grey or black trousers, skirt, dress, or culottes.

Plain grey or black tailored shorts (summer months)

Blue and white Gingham pattern dresses, black or grey tailored knee length shorts (summer months)

White T shirt or polo shirt printed with the school logo\* (optional) or house team colour polo shirt

Navy blue sweatshirts, cardigans and fleeces printed with the school logo\* (optional) Black, flat-soled shoes

##### Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears.

##### Nail Varnish/Make up

The school does not permit children to have nail varnish or make up.

##### Footwear

Children are to wear black trainers or shoes with good grip for playing outside in the playground.

##### Hooded jumpers

Hooded jumpers are not to be worn inside the classroom.

#### The role of parents/carers

We ask all parents/carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy and this forms an important element of our Home School Agreement. We believe that parents/carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, that it is clean, in good repair and labelled with their child's name.

#### Not wearing the correct uniform

In the event of children not adhering to the different aspects of the school uniform policy, the class teacher or a member of SLT will speak with the parent/carer to remind them of the uniform expectations.



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### **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.

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# Polka Theatre - Nutcracker



KS2 had a fantastic time at the Polka Theatre watching *The Nutcracker*. They thoroughly enjoyed the performance, and it was a great experience for them, as it allowed them to engage with live theatre and appreciate the artistry behind the production.





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# Year 3's poetry performance - The Sound Collector



Year 3 delivered a delightful performance of *The Sound Collector*. Their presentation was engaging. The students' enthusiasm and attention to detail in their performances made it a memorable and enjoyable experience.



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*Is your child, or someone you know, ready  
for Nursery or Reception? Enrol with us  
now for a bright start!*

Tower Hamlets school admissions information:  
[https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ignl/education and learning/schools/school admissions/school admissions.aspx](https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ignl/education%20and%20learning/schools/school%20admissions/school%20admissions.aspx)

eAdmission link to apply:  
<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>


For more information and assistance, please contact Madeha at the school office.

### **Application deadline:**


Reception 2025: 15th January 2025

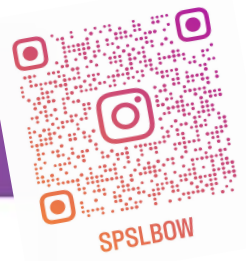
Nursery 2025: 16th February 2025

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# Instagram






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spslbow Chaplains panto has come to SPSL to create



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spslbow Christmas at SPSL

4 days ago




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.




CHEFS IN SCHOOLS



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CHILDREN IN NEED - PYJAMA DAY!

spslbow "Such an amazing day! Children celebrated and raised money for children in need... what a beautiful cause! Everyone, from kids... more










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 <b>PUPIL OF THE WEEK</b> 	
Nursery	Lorcan Jesmeen
Reception	Zahra Musa
Year 1	Luke Amina
Year 2	Scarlett Areeba
Year 3	Guayu Sharleez
Year 4	Anaya Winston
Year 5	Yanis Khadija
Year 6	Ayan Humaira

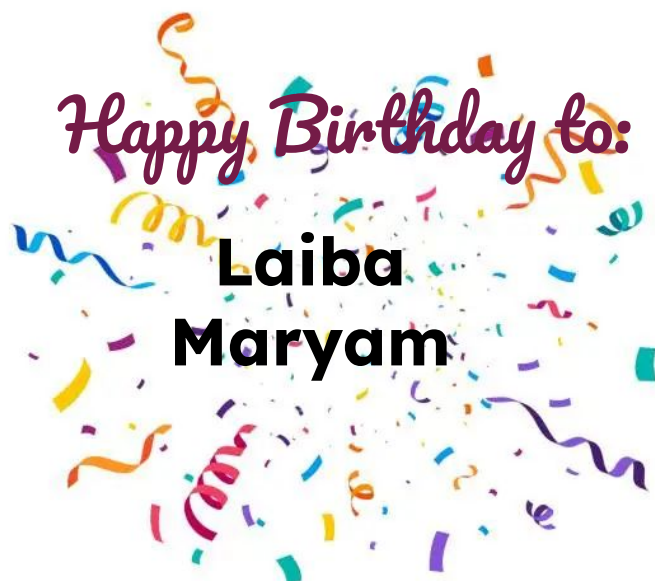


### WORSHIP FOCUS

All people are invited  
to worship Jesus.  
The kingdom of  
God is for  
everyone.



What does it feel  
like when you have  
found something  
you have been  
looking for?





## SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD



# 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

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

05/05/2025

26/05/2025

26/08/2025