

NEWSLETTER W/E 17th January 2025

Dear families,

This week, we were thrilled to welcome a poet into school for an exciting workshop! The children explored the art of wordplay, letting their imaginations run wild as they crafted and performed their very own 'I am brilliant'- themed poems. It was a fantastic opportunity to build confidence in writing and performing while celebrating creativity. The workshop left everyone feeling inspired and eager to write more! We will be building a team of 5 children who will write their own poem, practise them, and perform them at the Tower Hamlets Poetry Slam later in the term!

The whole school had an amazing opportunity to not just experience a mind boggling show of Magic and Yo-Yo skills but to also receive an important message during our NED workshop. The innovative and imaginative way of delivering NED's message of '**N**ever give up, **E**ncourage others and **D**o your best' through Ned's story and a Yo-Yo was extremely inspiring.

Wishing you a restful weekend.



*Mrs Smith
& Mr Hall*



We are pleased to announce that our school has successfully met its attendance target of 96% this week. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all parents for their continued support in fostering excellent attendance and ensuring their children are attending school regularly. Let's work together to not just maintain but to increase this positive momentum moving forward.



DIARY DATES

20/01/2025: Last day of NED pop-up shop - all years welcome!

22/01/2025: Inner London Cricket Programme

29/01/2025 - 30/01/2025: Reception and Year 6 NCMP measurement (NHS)

12/02/2025: Inner London Cricket Programme

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

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Parent Conferencing

Week commencing Monday 27th January.

The sign up sheets will be at the classroom door Monday 20th for you to choose a convenient time.

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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.

Monday 20.01.2024 - Whole school

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

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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NED SHOW



The children had a wonderful time watching the Yo-Yo NED show! They were all smiles as they enjoyed the amazing yo-yo tricks and stunts. The performer kept everyone entertained with his skillful moves, making the yo-yo seem like it had a mind of its own. There were plenty of laughs and cheers from the crowd, and the students even learned a few new tricks themselves! Along with the fun, the show shared a positive message about perseverance and believing in yourself, which left the children feeling inspired and excited. It was a memorable and enjoyable experience for everyone!

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95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 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 Tuesday 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 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



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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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TOWER HAMLETS
Holiday Childcare Scheme
Bookings now open

Ages **3-13** years old

The Tower Hamlets Childcare Scheme offers Ofsted registered childcare.
020 7364 0523
www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs

February scheme
Monday 17 to Friday 21 February 2025 (5 days)



FamiliesMatter

Understanding your child's development

Dads and male carers welcome!

Saturday 18th January 2025
11am to 12 noon
Meath Gardens Family Hub
1 Smart Street, E2 0SN

For more details, please contact
Tel: 07858 689 243
Email: parentalengagement@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Delivered by the Parental Engagement Team



East London CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Mondays, 5.30-6.30pm

St. Paul's Bow Common, London E3 4AR

Ages 7-12 Free of charge

eastlondonchildrenschoir.co.uk



Spring Term 2025: Larking About!

East London Children's Choir unearths ten amazing objects, all washed up on the muddy banks of the River Thames.

Our mudlarking-themed Spring Concert will take place at 5.30pm on April 25th at the Museum of London Docklands. Rehearsals take place on Monday evenings at St. Paul's Bow Common church.

New choir members are very welcome to join us!

East London Children's Choir is a choir for young voices, inspiring musical excellence at the heart of the East End.

To register, email eastlondonchildrenschoir@gmail.com

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WELCOME TO ST GEORGE-IN-THE-EAST

Dear parent/guardian,

It is my privilege to invite your child to join **St George's Youth Choir**. Places have been offered to students who have shown potential and enthusiasm in school and I hope that you will encourage your child to try out our choir and experience the many musical and social opportunities it will offer.

What is St George's Youth Choir?

St George's Youth Choir is run by St George-in-the-East Church and is proudly the first 'Choir Church' initiative in the country. We are also delighted to be a partner of St Paul's Cathedral's Choral Foundation. Striving for excellence, team spirit, fun, and amazing performance opportunities, we work to help young people grow and be the best they can be. In recent years, we have taken members to sing at St Paul's Cathedral and Kings College, Cambridge. We are an inclusive choir and we welcome children of all faiths, and none.

Where and when does the choir rehearse?

The choir rehearses weekly at **St George-in-the-East Church** on **Wednesdays** during term time from **4:00–5:00 PM**, with **snacks and socialising from 3:45 PM**.

How much does it cost?

With the generous support from a number of trust and foundations, our choir is **FREE** to join!

How do I confirm my child's place?

Places are limited, so please sign up your child as soon as possible using the following link: <https://forms.gle/H3kgGgPQVuYUYjqD7>. A member of our team will then be in touch to confirm your child's place.

Will Bruce and Elizabeth Stout

Choir Director and Schools and Families Pastor


"We believe that every young person should have access to the world's best music — that's why we're committed to providing performance opportunities at the highest level."

Will Bruce
Choir Director


Proudly in partnership with:

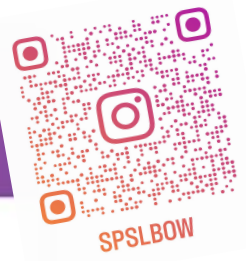


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Follow us @spslbow



spslbow Chaplains panto has come to SPSL to create



spslbow Christmas at SPSL




CHEFS IN 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.

CHEFS IN SCHOOLS




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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 PUPIL OF THE WEEK 	
Nursery	Ethan Arisha
Reception	Phuc Humaira
Year 1	Khadijah Zayden
Year 2	Waseem Ibadat
Year 3	Rafsan Isla
Year 4	Ryel Zahra
Year 5	Laiba Saqeef
Year 6	Tyler Ava



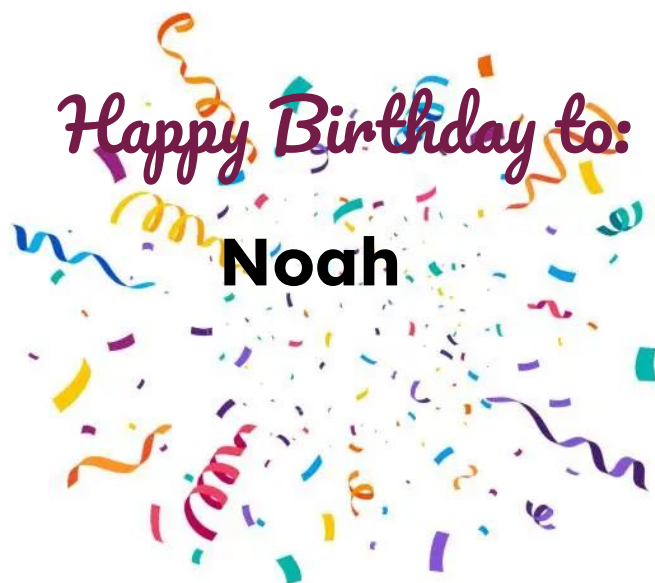
WORSHIP FOCUS

Luke 3:15-17,21-22

The people begin by asking John the Baptist who he is, but end up finding out more about Jesus' identity



Encourage someone this week by telling them what you appreciate about their character.



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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