

NEWSLETTER W/E 12th September 2025

Dear families,

This week, the children have continued to settle back into their learning, and we have really enjoyed visiting classrooms and listening to the different lessons taking place.

We were delighted to welcome back George, our resident organist from St Paul's Cathedral. It was wonderful to hear the children singing along with him.

On Tuesday, Mother Bernadette blessed the school. Although a few children got a little wet, they all had big smiles on their faces!

Booster classes resumed on Monday. Please remember that this is a valuable opportunity for every child in Years 1–6 to enjoy some extra learning time with their teacher.

Looking ahead, West Ham will be providing an after-school club for our Year 2 children next week. Please look out for the letter being sent home today with further details.

Have a restful weekend.

*Mrs Smith
& Mr Hall*



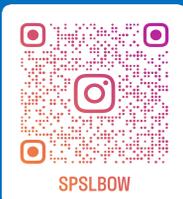
CLUB SPACES AVAILABLE

Email admin@spsl.towerhamlets.sch.uk with what club you would like your child to attend.

Drama Club Tuesday KS1 & KS2	Fencing Club Monday Y3 & Y4	Art Club Wednesday KS1 & KS2
Cooking Club Wednesday KS1 & KS2	Football Club Tuesday Y5 & Y6	Homework Club Tuesday KS1 & KS2
West Ham Multi-Sport Club Wednesday Y1 & Y2		



DIARY DATES



Thursday 18th- SEND Coffee Morning
Friday 19th September - Jeans for Genes Day
Week beginning Monday 22nd September - Parent consultations
Friday 26th September - Macmillan Coffee Morning
Monday 27th October- Half term

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PUPIL OF THE WEEK

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Nursery	All of Nursery Class
Reception	All of Reception Class
Year 1	Riyad Musa
Year 2	Fabeha Luke
Year 3	Phong Layla
Year 4	Nabhan Demi
Year 5	Winston James
Year 6	Awa Amelia A



WORSHIP FOCUS

Matthew 22: 36-40

“Love the Lord
your God with all
your heart and
with all your soul
and with all your
mind.”

“Love your
neighbour as
yourself”

Happy Birthday to:



Jesmeen
James



How can we help
and treat one
another kindly both
in school, in our
community and
globally?

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Blessings for this academic year

As we embark on a new academic year, our school community was graced with a special blessing that set a positive tone for the months ahead. On Tuesday, we were honored to have Mother Bernadette visit our school, spreading joy and blessings to all our students. The children were visibly excited and comforted by Mother Bernadette's presence.

Her kind words and prayers provided a sense of peace and encouragement, setting a wonderful foundation for the year. As she moved from classroom to classroom, her infectious smile and thoughtful blessings filled the halls with a sense of unity and hope.





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Parent Consultations Week beginning Monday 22nd September

Class teachers will have a sign-up sheet available on Monday the 15th at 3:30 PM, when you collect your child, so you can choose a convenient time.

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Year 6 - Applying for Secondary Schools Applications

Information on Secondary Schools have been sent home with your child today. If you would like support in applying for schools. Please book an appointment with Rachel our Family Support Officer.

School applications are now open



Secondary Transfer School Visiting Dates for Admission to Year 7 in 2026

We advise that you check the individual schools website for up to date information.



Don't miss the deadlines for admission to secondary, primary and nursery schools.

Secondary admissions For children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015	31 October 2025
Primary admissions For children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022	15 January 2026
Nursery admissions For children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023	14 February 2026

Complete your application online at www.eadmissions.org.uk

For information about how to apply, scan the QR code or visit towerhamlets.gov.uk/schooladmissions

schooladmissions@towerhamlets.gov.uk



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School	Open mornings	Open evenings
Bishop Challoner Catholic School www.bishopchallonerfederation.towerhamlets.sch.uk	Monday 20 September - Friday 10 October. Please arrive by 9:15am	Thursday 25 September, 4pm
Bow School www.bow-school.org.uk	Monday 22, Thursday 25 & Monday 29 September, Thursday 2, Monday 13 & Thursday 16 October, 9:45am, 11:30am & 4pm	Wednesday 8 October 4:30pm
Canary Wharf College Crossharbour www.canarywharfcollege.co.uk	Thursday 2 & Tuesday 7 October, 9am	Tuesday 30 September, 5pm
Central Foundation Girls' School www.central.towerhamlets.sch.uk	Wednesday 1, Thursday 2 & Friday 3 October, 9:30-10:30am	Tuesday 30 September, 4:30-6:30pm
George Green's School www.georgegreens.com	See school website	See school website
Langdon Park School www.langdonparkschool.co.uk	Thursday 18, Friday 19, Tuesday 23 September, Thursday 2 & Friday 3 October, 9-10:15am	Thursday 25 September, 5-7pm
London Enterprise Academy www.londonenterpriseacademy.org	Monday 15 - Friday 26 September, 9:15-11:45am Weekend Saturday 11 October, 10am-4pm	Tuesday 16 September & Thursday 2 October, 4:30-6:30pm
Morpeth School www.morpethschool.org.uk	Monday 15, Friday 19, Tuesday 23 & Thursday 25 September, Wednesday 8, Monday 13 & Thursday 16 October, 9:30-11:15am	Wednesday 1 October, 4-7pm & Monday 20 October, 2-3:30pm Additional Tours: Friday 28 September, Monday 6, Friday 17 & Wednesday 22 October 9:30-10:30am Book online to attend an additional tour: www.morpethschool.org.uk/2026/September-2026
Mulberry Academy London Dock www.mulberrylondondock.org	Monday 15 - Friday 19 & Monday 22 - Thursday 25 September, 9:10-10am. Please book online via school website	Tuesday 30 September, 4-6:30pm
Mulberry Academy Shoreditch www.mulberryacademyshoreditch.org	Monday 15 - Wednesday 17, Monday 22 - Wednesday 24 September, Monday 29 September - Wednesday 1 October & Monday 6 - Wednesday 8 October, 9:15am Weekend Saturday 11 October, 9-11am	Thursday 2 October, 4-6pm
Mulberry School for Girls www.mulberryschoolforgirls.org	Monday 15 - Wednesday 17 September, 9:30-10:30am	Tuesday 23 September, 4-6pm
Mulberry Stepney Green www.mulberrystepneygreen.org	Friday 5, Thursday 11, Tuesday 16, Thursday 25 September, Friday 2, Tuesday 7, Thursday 16 & Tuesday 21 October, 9-11am	Wednesday 24 September, 4-6:30pm
Mulberry University Technical College (UTC) www.mulberryutc.org	See College website	See College website
Oaklands School www.oaklands.towerhamlets.sch.uk	Thursday 18, Tuesday 23, Monday 29 September, Friday 10 & Thursday 16 October, 9:20-10:30am	Wednesday 24 September, 4-6:30pm
Stepney All Saints CofE Secondary School www.stepneyallsaints.school	Thursday 11, Wednesday 17 & Tuesday 30 September, 9:30-10:45am	Monday 22 September, 4:30-6:30pm Register online to attend at www.stepneyallsaints.school
St Paul's Way Trust School www.spwt.net	For Families: Monday 15 & Tuesday 16 September, 9:30-11am. For primary school tours: Wednesday 17 September 9:30-11am Please arrive before 10am to ensure you have time to enjoy a tour of the school.	Thursday 18 September, 3:45-6pm Visits are by appointment only. Book online at www.spwt.net
Swanlea School www.swanlea.co.uk	Wednesday 17, Friday 19, Monday 22 & Thursday 25 September, 9:15-10:15am	Wednesday 1 October, 4-6:30pm Family Fun Day: Saturday 13 September, 11am-3pm
Wapping High School www.wappinghigh.org	Thursday 11, Tuesday 16, Thursday 25, Tuesday 30 September, Thursday 9 & Tuesday 14 October, 9am	Thursday 18 September, 4:30-6:30pm

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Year 7 Open Mornings and Evening Application Deadline 31st October 2025

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SECONDARY TRANSFER 2026

Your child is in Year 6 so you will now need to make an online application to transfer from primary school to secondary school in September 2026.

Go to www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions where you will find:

- **The 'Ready for Secondary School in Tower Hamlets' booklet** – this has information on how to apply, secondary schools in Tower Hamlets and the admissions policy for Tower Hamlets Schools
- Key information on school admissions
- Visiting dates for Tower Hamlets schools

If do not live in the borough of Tower Hamlets you must follow the information provided by your home borough on how to apply for a secondary school place for your child. You must still apply online by visiting www.eadmissions.org.uk

If your child has not taken the CATS4 Banding Assessment in their Tower Hamlets primary school during September, you must also complete a [Banding Registration Form](#) and provide it to school.admissions@towerhamlets.gov.uk by 24 October 2025.

Remember to complete both the online application and **where necessary** the Banding Registration Form. If you do not submit the required forms, your application to Tower Hamlets schools cannot be fully considered and may reduce the chances of a place being offered.

Important dates:

From 1st September 2025 Make your application online at www.eadmissions.org.uk

You will receive an Application Reference Number once submitted which confirms receipt.

By 24th October 2025 Submit your Banding Registration Form to school.admissions@towerhamlets.gov.uk if your child has not taken the CATS4 Banding Assessment in their primary school.

31st October 2025 National closing date for applications

2nd March 2026 National Offer Day

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Coffee Morning for SEND parents/carers

Group discussion on
everyday challenges

Informal help and
support from local
organisations

Which services
can I have access
to?



Want to speak to other
parents of children
with SEND?

Come and join us for a chat!

Are you a parent/carer of a child with
SEND aged 0-25? If so, we'd love it if you would join us at our
FDR room from 9:00am Thursday 18th September.

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Mon 15th – Sun 21st Sept

**JEANS
FOR
GENES**



Join Us for Jeans for Genes Day!

To raise money for Jeans for Genes Day, on Friday 19th September we are inviting children to wear jeans with their school uniform. Children can wear 1 item of denim with the rest school uniform.

Please bring in a small donation.

Suggested £1 donation



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It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Place: Father Duncan Ross room

Date: Friday 26th September

Time: 9:00am- 10:00am

Contact: Admin team



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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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

BE SMART BE THERE!

Percentages based on 190 academic days

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.

Every day matters.
Every minute counts.

Attending primary school regularly provides a wealth of social, health and academic benefits for children.

"Going to school helps me achieve my very best."

For a 2020 - 2021 copy of this book visit https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/attachment_data/file/464444/primary-school-attendance-booklet-2020-21.pdf

Our Attendance Welfare Officer (AWA), Lina Rahman, attends school every Tuesday morning. Lina 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. Holidays should also be taken in school holidays and not in term time.

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.towerhamlets-together.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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WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

WEEK 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Tomato Pasta & Cheese (Gluten, Dairy, Celery)	Stir Fry Beef and Broccoli (Sulphites, Soy, Mustard)	Margarita Pizza (Gluten, Dairy, Celery)	Shredded Chipotle Chicken (Sulphites)	School Made Fish Fingers (Gluten, Dairy)
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Chefs Choice Pasta (Gluten)	Stir Fry Broccoli (Sulphites, Soy, Celery)	Tomato Pasta (Gluten, Celery)	Refried Beans & Cheese (Sulphites, Dairy)	Haloumi Fries (Gluten, Dairy)
SIDES	Garlic & Herb Focaccia (Gluten)	Noodles (Dairy, Eggs)	Cauliflower cheese (Dairy, Mustard)	Corn Tortillas & Mexican Rice	Roast Potatoes
VEGETABLES	Italian Herb Broccoli	Soy & Garlic Spring Greens	Steamed or Raw Carrots	Tomato Salsa & Guacamole (Sulphites)	Peas
DESSERTS	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)	Homemade Fruit Ice cream (Gluten, Dairy)	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)	Chefs Choice Seasonal Dessert	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)
EXTRAS	Fresh Fruit Platter, Mixed Salad Bar and Greek Yoghurt Available Daily If you have any questions, please speak with you School Chef				

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

WEEK 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Mac & Cheese (Gluten, Dairy)	Chicken Curry (Sulphites, Dairy)	Cheesy Empanada (Dairy, Gluten, Sulphites)	Beef Lasagne (Dairy, Celery, Gluten)	Curried Fish Croquettes (Gluten, Dairy)
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Chefs Choice Pasta (Gluten)	Spinach Dhal (Mustard)	Vegetable Fian (Gluten, Dairy)	Vegetarian Lasagne (Dairy, Gluten)	Halloumi Fries (Gluten, Dairy)
SIDES	Garlic & Herb Focaccia (Gluten)	Rice & Naan Bread (Gluten)	Vegetable Bulgur Wheat	Garlic Bread (Wheat, Dairy)	Oven Baked Paprika Chips
VEGETABLES	Italian Herb Broccoli	Pakorras	Roast Aubergine	Roast seasonal vegetables	Garden Peas
DESSERTS	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)	Chocolate Cake (Gluten, Eggs, Dairy)	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)	Chefs Choice Seasonal Dessert	Fruit & Yoghurt (Dairy)

Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra

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Academic Calendar 2025-2026

Term Dates 2025-26

Yellow = INSET staff training - school closed to pupils

Green = Parent consultation days

Blue = School holidays - school closed

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025						
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National test times: May and June, for phonics, year 4 and year 6

Meeting with parents: Every term