

## NEWSLETTER W/E 07th November 2025

Dear Families,

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school this week following the half term break, which we hope you all enjoyed. The children have come back to school with smiles on their faces and it has been fantastic to see them settled and learning once more.

Next week, we will mark Inter Faith Week with activities planned throughout the course of the week. This year's theme for Inter Faith week is *Community: Together we Serve*. Inter Faith Week promotes community relations by allowing children to learn about the faiths and beliefs of others and how the beliefs of both believers and non-believers can be used to build stronger communities through kindness and working together. The children will explore the golden rule that runs through all faiths: *treat others as you would like to be treated*. We look forward to sharing some of the children's learning with you all next week.

Next Friday is Children in Need and to continue with our theme of helping others and demonstrating kindness, we ask that the children wear their pyjamas and come to school with a small donation. We are blessed to have such kind, caring children and families; and we are sure that next week will showcase this in all its glory. All this leads to Anti-Bullying Week when the focus is *"Its cool to be kind"* In a recent study, being kind toward others enables the person being kind to release happiness chemicals - so everyone benefits.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend

*Mrs Smith  
& Mr Hall*



A huge thank you to one of our parents, Nazmin Begum, and Kier, Dowds, SAS and DELA for organising the instillation of the new maglock on the EYFS gate.



### DIARY DATES



**Monday 10th November** - Year 1 trip to Soane Center

**Monday 10th November** - Wear odd socks and your school uniform

**Thursday 13th November** - Y5 Dance trip

**Thursday 13th November** - Art design workshop

**Friday 14th November** - Children in Need wear your PJ's and school trainers (no crocs)

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### Bow Arts Award Holiday club

Some of our Year 5 & 6 children were invited to the Arts Award holiday club this October half term, with artists Leanne Ingram, Yuliya Krylova, and Hernan Guardamagna.

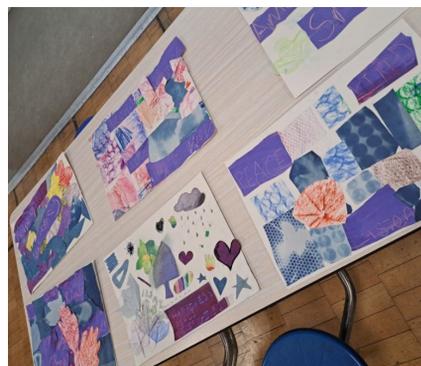
Please see some highlight pictures from the exhibition on the final day - Cyanotypes, collages, set designs, masks, printed t-shirts and some mesmerising paper mache lamps!

Some feedback from the children include...

'I learnt that when you make a mistake you can turn it into art'

'I had so much fun I wish I could come every day'

'I had so much fun'



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**Please come in and join us for an art and design session for our outdoor artwork.**

**After School  
Drop-in Workshop**  
**Open to Parents & Children**  
**All year groups welcome**

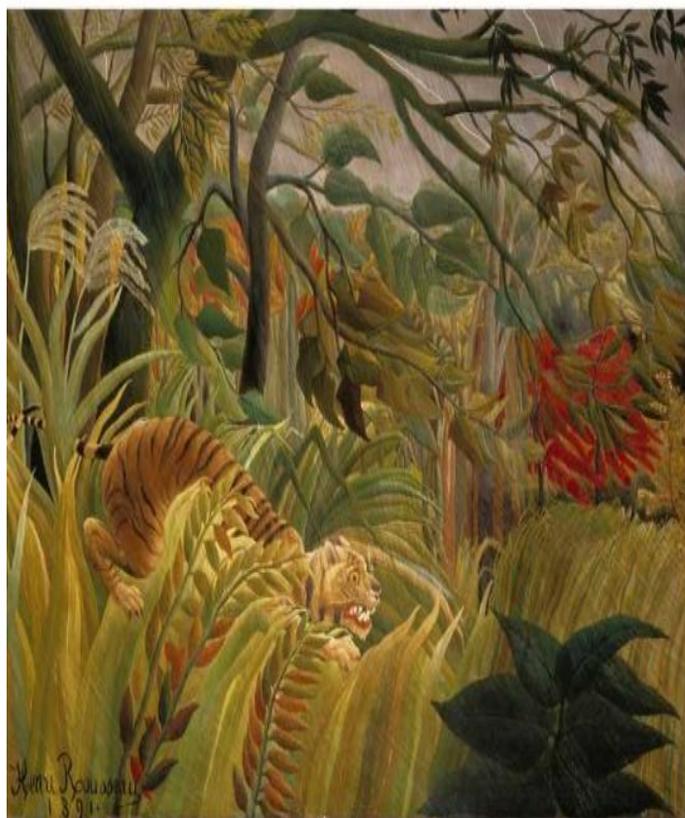
Thursday 13th November

3.30 pm - 5.30 pm

**Come along to a fun drop-in session focused on art and design, led by Bow Arts artist Will Redgrove, to share your ideas for an outdoors artwork at your school!**

This November, artist and muralist Will Redgrove will be working with students at St Saviour's Primary School & St Paul with St Luke Primary School, to create outdoors artworks inspired by Henri Rousseau's *Tiger in a Storm*.

We are inviting YOU to get involved!



Contacts for any questions  
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Mr Ali - [admin@spsl.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:admin@spsl.towerhamlets.sch.uk)



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	<b>Pupil of the week</b>	<b>Kindness leaves</b>	<b>Value of the week</b>
Nursery	Nirvana		Eliza
Reception	Francis		Yunus
Year 1	Astou Saiha	Kine Ela	Kine Phuc
Year 2	Noah Omar	Minh Khadijah	Jasai Carter
Year 3	Layla Ehsan	Mohamoud Waseem	Janet Ibadat
Year 4	Elsie Aliza	Alvin Shanaya	Dana Guayu
Year 5	Mehjabin Zahra	Ariya Samuel	Winston Tagim
Year 6	Jannath	Ismael Casey	Saqeef Awa



**WORSHIP FOCUS**

**Ephesians 1:  
11–23**

**Paul speaks of belonging to God; Jesus teaches the values of God’s kingdom (love, humility, mercy).**

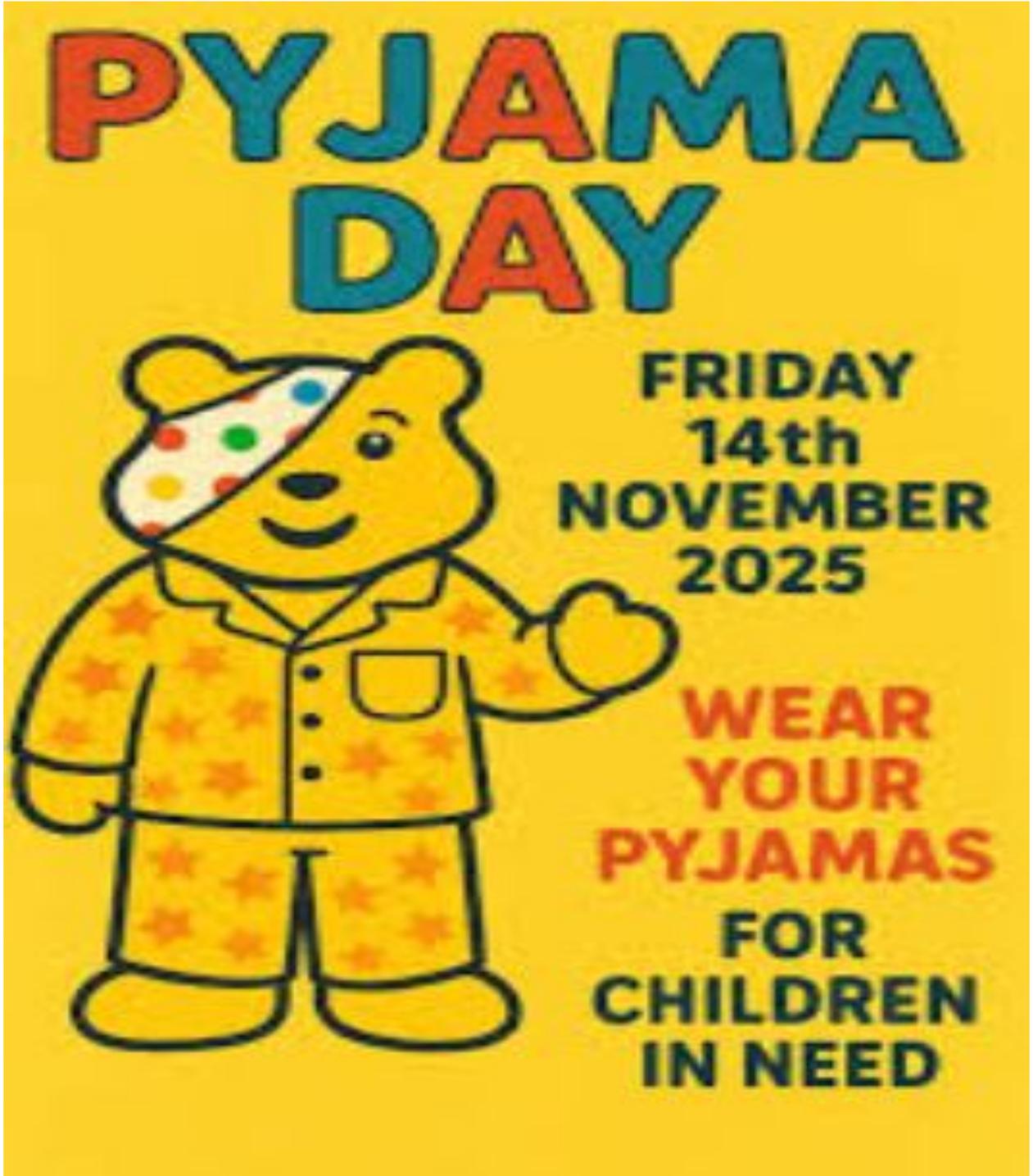
*Happy Birthday to:*

- Eliza - Nursery
- Maya - Reception
- Waseem - Year 3
- Mia - Nursery
- Rafsan - Year 4
- Musa - Year 1



This week, let’s all try to do one small thing that shows God’s love to someone else—like helping, forgiving, or sharing.

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**We'll have donation buckets at one of the school gates for anyone who would like to contribute. Thank you so much for your support!**



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This **Anti-Bullying Week**  
I will use my

**POWER  
FOR  
GOOD**

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

#AntiBullyingWeek #PowerForGood

**ODD SOCKS  
DAY 2025**  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November



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# Inter Faith Week

9–16 November 2025

[www.interfaithweek.org](http://www.interfaithweek.org)  [facebook.com/IFWeek](https://facebook.com/IFWeek)  [@IFWeek](https://instagram.com/IFWeek)



Strengthening  
interfaith relations

Promoting Understanding

Celebration

Reflection

Respect

Volunteering

Learning

Make Friends

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**Let's Talk SEND**



Join us for an opportunity to help develop a Tower Hamlets SEND Co-Production Charter — a shared commitment to working together to shape future services. Be part of the change and help make Co-production real in Tower Hamlets.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**Grocers Wing Tower Hamlets Town Hall**  
**10am-2pm**

- Introduction from Director of Children's services
- Presentations about Co-Production
- Information stalls
- Tea/Coffee and lunch provided.

[Sign up here](#)



For details of previous Let's Talk SEND events please look on the Tower Hamlets Local Offer Website



**CYPHWS**  
**Service Criteria & Threshold Guidance**



**Service Criteria Overview**

Compass Children and Young People's Health & Wellbeing Service (CYPHWS) works with children and young people age 5 to 19, (or up to 25 for individuals with SEND) and their parents/carers in Tower Hamlets. We can provide short term (max 4 session) prevention and early intervention support for a range of health needs.

CYPHWS **can** support children, young people and families with:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy eating</li> <li>• Dental health</li> <li>• Friendships and relationships</li> <li>• Body image</li> <li>• Bullying</li> <li>• Sleep</li> <li>• Emotional / Mental health</li> <li>• Continence</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sexual health</li> <li>• Harm Reduction advice</li> <li>• Substance information and advice.</li> <li>• Specialist substance misuse support.</li> <li>• Long-term health conditions</li> <li>• Parenting</li> <li>• Behaviour</li> <li>• Referral onto additional services</li> </ul> |
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CYPHWS **cannot** support children, young people and families who require:

- Specialist health care support and care planning.
- Support with moderate to severe mental health needs.
- Longer term support for health needs.
- Crisis intervention or urgent out of hours support.

If you are unsure whether a child or young person would benefit from CYPHWS please call the team on **0203 9540091**

Our Request for Support Form (RFS) can be found on our webpage: <https://compass-uk.org/services/children-and-young-peoples-health-and-wellbeing-service/>

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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

## 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/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/464444/primary-school-attendance-booklet-2020-21.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/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](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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# About Winter Illnesses and School Attendance

As we head into the colder months, it's common to see an increase in seasonal illnesses such as colds, coughs, and other respiratory infections. We understand that it can sometimes be difficult to decide whether your child should attend school when they are feeling unwell.

To help support your decision-making, please note the following guidance:

- **Children with mild cold symptoms**, such as a runny nose or a slight cough, **can still attend school** if they are otherwise well in themselves (eating, drinking, and alert).
- However, **children should stay at home** if they are experiencing more severe symptoms, such as:
  - A high temperature or fever
  - **Vomiting or diarrhoea** (children should remain at home for at least **48 hours after the last episode if it is norovirus**)
  - Any illness that makes them too unwell to take part in normal school activities

We encourage good hygiene habits, such as regular hand washing and covering coughs and sneezes to help reduce the spread of germs. If your child is unwell and staying home, please remember to notify the school as soon as possible.

Thank you for helping us keep our school community healthy and safe during the winter season.

Illness and Advice	
<p><b>Headache, earache and stomach ache</b></p>  <p>Children with headache, earache or stomach ache can go to school—just let the staff know they have felt unwell. Give paracetamol and plenty of fluids to drink. If headache, earache or stomach ache persists..... <b>Seek medical advice.</b></p>	<p><b>High Temperature</b></p>  <p>Give paracetamol and plenty to drink. After paracetamol, if your child feels better, bring them into school. If your child's high temperature continues for three days or more..... <b>Seek medical advice.</b></p>
<p><b>Diarrhoea and Vomiting</b></p>  <p>Children can return to school 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting</p>	<p><b>Coughs and Colds</b></p>  <p>Children should be given paracetamol, plenty of fluids to drink and can be sent to school.</p> <p>If your child is asthmatic, remember they may need their <b>blue Inhaler</b> more often.</p>

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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

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- T1: 3/9/25 - 24/10/25
- T2: 3/11/25 - 19/12/25
- T3: 6/1/26 - 13/2/26
- T4: 23/2/26 - 27/3/26
- T5: 13/4/26 - 22/5/26
- T6: 2/6/26 - 17/7/26
- SPSL
- INSET days staff only

Eid to be arranged and an additional INSET day

National test times: May and June, for phonics, year 4 and year 6

Meeting with parents: Every term