

NEWSLETTER W/E 25th September 2026

Dear families,

A lovely week with the reminder that we are part of your child's journey as the Year 6 transition workshop with Bernadette from the local authority to support families with the secondary school application process brought home. Partnering together to make these years in a child's development count, is important to us, we know how they set a child's life up, we know they are precious. Our partnership builds on your groundwork to set up emotional regulation which happens by the age of 4 or 5, as is fine motor control, that influences pencil grip and other development, supporting your foundation, extending learning, and further development of executive function and cognition.



In our school development plan for this year we are focusing on:

- Inclusion; our environment and our predictable routines
- Oracy, where we extend talk and thinking skills, aiming for the silver award, class assemblies will be making a come back!
- Attendance; they cannot be your best and foundational years if you are not here!
- Early Years; always in going for more at the earliest opportunity for s strong start
- Wellbeing; of our community together, helping one another

We are looking forward to welcoming you next week for our 'Parent conferencing'. This will be a great opportunity to connect with your child's teacher and update any important contact or medical information. We will also be sharing key guidance on online safety and important dates.



Have a restful weekend!

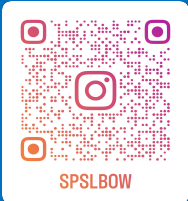
*Mrs Smith
& Mr Hall*

Date	Parent workshop
7/10/26	Yr 6 - Expectations, SATS and Residential
21/10/26	Y1- Expectations, Handwriting and Phonics
4/11/26	Y5 - Expectations, Reading and Oracy
11/11/26	Y2 - Expectations, Phonics and Oracy
18/11/26	Y4 - Expectations, MTC and Oracy
25/11/26	Y3 -Expectations, Reading and Oracy



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 29th September- Parent conferencing
 Wednesday 30th September- Parent conferencing
 Thursday 1st October- Parent conferencing



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	Pupil of the week	Kindness leaves	Value of the week
Kingfisher	Maria Sumayah		Safwan Kameel
EYFS	Khaleef Manbir		Lyla Mazreen
Year 1	Isabella Yunus	Mya-Rose Naima	Jesmeen Arisha M
Year 2	Musa Phuc	Maryam Humaira	Aiden Saiha
Year 3	Idrees Minh	Idrees Amina	Sidra Peggy
Year 4	Waseem Ibadat	Ibadat Hayden	Yusra Phong
Year 5	Alvin Demi	Dana Ahmed	Aliza Mikaela
Year 6	Yusuf Zahra	Winston Alivia	Mehajabin Eman



WORSHIP FOCUS

Luke 16: 1-13

You can't serve both God and money, so choose to be faithful with what you have and use it wisely.

Happy Birthday to:



Istiayk - Y3
Phong - Y4



What small thing has God given you (a gift/talent) and how can you use it well?

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Our Top 3 Classes

Year 5 - 99%

Year 1 - 98%

Year 2 - 96%

Congratulations to you all — hopefully next week it'll be your turn!



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.

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!

Percentages based on 190 academic days

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

Our Attendance Welfare Officers (AWOs), Lina Rahman and Samir Amin, attend the school every Thursday morning. Lina and Samir regularly monitor school attendance registers and may contact parents or guardians by letter or telephone where necessary. Meetings and home visits may also be arranged if there are concerns regarding a child's attendance.

Formal referrals will be made for pupils with persistent absence or attendance below 90%. It is important that children attend school every day to support their learning and wellbeing. Parents and carers should also be aware that continued non-attendance could ultimately result in legal action. Holidays should be taken during school holiday periods and not during term time.

We understand that, despite children attending school for 190 days of the year, they may occasionally become unwell. To support families, please see guidance from our local health teams on common illnesses and advice about when to seek medical support:

[Tower Hamlets Together – Care Confident Booklet](#)

Additional physical activities, including swimming, help children to become healthier, more active, and ready to learn. Please ensure that children are able to take full advantage of these opportunities by bringing the correct kit to school each week.

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Secondary School Transition

A huge thank you to the parents and to Aleha from Parent and Family Support Service supporting families in the Secondary School Transition Workshops.

We really appreciate your time, support and enthusiasm. It was wonderful to have such positive engagement and thoughtful conversations about this important next step for our children.

Thank you for helping to make the workshops so valuable and meaningful. We hope you found them useful and came away feeling more informed and confident about the transition to secondary school.

Thank you once again for your continued support! ☀

If you need any support with applying for secondary school please book an appointment with Rachel who will be happy to support in this.

Moving Up 2027 - Supporting Secondary Transfer

Tower Hamlets Transition Support Service advocates early intervention to support children, young people and their families with information and advice at key points of transition to help manage change and make informed decisions about the next steps of their learning journey.

To support families with the secondary transfer application process, Tower Hamlets Transition Support Service are holding **online information sessions as well as sessions delivered in schools for parents/carers of children in year 6.**

Online sessions will be delivered through **TEAMS** until October half term. Tower Hamlets Admissions Service will be present, and this is a good opportunity for parents/carers to ask questions directly about how applications are processed.

Parents/carers can book a place for online sessions on Eventbrite by clicking the link below:

<https://MU27.eventbrite.co.uk>

Dates:

Wednesday 30th September 2026 - 10 am

Tuesday 6th October 2026 - 10 am

Wednesday 14th October 2026 - 10 am

Tuesday 20th October 2026 - 10 am

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Updating Your Child's Information

If your child has a new medical condition, or if there are any changes to your emergency contact numbers, email address, or home address, please ensure that you inform the school office promptly.

Please email the school directly using the school email address provided below to notify us of any changes.

admin@spsl.towerhamlets.sch.uk

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BE WELL
HEALTH | WELLNESS | PLAY

October half term swimming crash courses

Accelerate the kids' swimming progress with our October half term swimming crash courses at Poplar and Mile End Park Leisure Centres. Perfect for:

- ✓ Beginners needing extra support
- ✓ Building confidence during the October half term
- ✓ Trying out our fantastic swimming lessons

🏠 Courses available between 26 – 30 October 2026

🕒 Daily 30 minute lessons

👤 For ages 4+

👥 Small class sizes for focused learning

This course is open to everyone, and our friendly teachers are in the pool with beginners to provide support and make learning fun!

Book your place today!



New SEND courses available



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Academic Calendar 2026-2027

St Paul's with St Luke CofE Primary 2026 to 2027 dates

September 2026							October 2026							November 2026							December 2026						
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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