



The Byword



21st October 2022

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Key Dates

- **Monday 24th**
October-Friday 28th
October: School closed for half term holiday
- Sunday 30th October 2022: deadline to order individual & sibling photos via school with a free delivery
- Monday 31st October: All pupils return to school
- Monday 31st October: Year 2 & Year 6 Parent Consultations
- Monday 31st October - Friday 4th November: Nursery open days - contact the school office
- Tuesday 1st November: Year 3 & Nursery Parent Consultations
- Wednesday 2nd November: Year 5 & Year 4 Parent Consultations
- Wednesday 2nd November 2022: Nursery open day 4PM-5:30PM
- Thursday 3rd November: Year 1 & Reception Parent Consultations
- Thursday 8th December: Christmas Jumper Day
- Monday 12th December & Tuesday 13th December: The Nativity & Christmas Performance - tickets TBC parents/carers welcome
- Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Lunch
- Thursday 15th December: Christmas Parties
- **Friday 16th December: Last day of school & Autumn Term - Children to be collected at 1.30pm**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We had a brilliant start to the week with Year 5's incredible performance of The Lion King. The audience were captivated throughout the show which the children performed beautifully. We are really proud of how hard they all worked and their courage on stage. Everyone has been singing the songs all week in school!

The half-term ended with our Explorers launch! Friday afternoons at Bygrove look and feel different from the rest of the week because children are in mixed age groups, collaborating on projects that, where possible, address real-world challenges. These enable the children to broaden their horizons, develop their character, and explore their personal interests and talents. Much of this takes place outside classrooms, using the outdoors, the local neighbourhood and other parts of London as resources for learning. All school staff are involved, and older pupils are given genuine leadership responsibilities.

During each project, children have the chance to earn badges and exhibit the processes and outcomes of their project to others. They have opportunities to reflect on their learning and receive meaningful feedback from peers, school staff and other adults. We will share the children's adventures in Explorers with you throughout the year!

Thank you for your continued support in making this another successful half-term at Bygrove.

Wishing you all a lovely half-term break. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 31st October.

Fiona



Stars of the week



Y1: Whole Year 1 class!

Y2: Hafsa

Y3: Mumena & Alyssa

Y4: Khadija

Y5: Matvei

Y6: Sumanah

Attendance

Year 4: 99.33%

Well done Year 4!

Parent consultations with teachers

You will be able to sign up for a consultation with your child's class teacher at the classroom door/gate before half-term. If you do not drop off or collect your child from school, please contact the office and a member of the teaching team will be in touch to arrange an appointment.

We will be holding parent consultations with teachers the week commencing Monday 31st October 2022. Parent consultations are an opportunity to talk about how your child has settled into the new school year and how well they are doing in their learning.

We will be once again offering either Zoom consultations or face-to-face 10 minute meetings. Each class teacher will be available for a whole day which should provide more flexibility with times and mean that you can 'Zoom' in from the comfort of your own home or meet with the teacher on-site.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the leadership team.

We look forward to seeing you all.

Date	Year Group	Location
Monday 31st October	Year 2	Family Learning Room
Monday 31st October	Year 6	Library
Tuesday 1st November	Year 3	Library
Tuesday 1st November	Nursery	Family Learning Room
Wednesday 2nd November	Year 5	Library
Wednesday 2nd November	Year 4	Family Learning Room
Thursday 3rd November	Year 1	Library
Thursday 3rd November	Reception	Family Learning Room



First session in the new library

All of the children had the chance to visit our beautiful new library this week. The whole school community is very grateful to Jacqui for all her hard work in turning it into such a beautiful space.

We are looking forward to inviting parents in to read with children after half term. We are unable to lend books from the library but will continue to send reading material home from the class book corners to help support your child.





Healthy Eating at Bygrove

- Packed lunches
- After school club snacks

At Bygrove we promote healthy eating as part of a healthy lifestyle. We are a healthy school and would like to remind all parents of the healthy options for packed lunches and after school club snacks.

Packed Lunches:

Usually consists of the following options: sandwiches, fruit, yoghurt, cheese, pasta, salad. We do not allow sugary items or fried food.

After School Snacks:

This consists of a fruit, sandwiches, crackers and any other food items that are not classed as 'unhealthy' such as sugary items which may include biscuits, croissants or chocolate wraps. We do not consider packets of crisps as a healthy snack.

Please do also remember that we are a nut free school so snacks provided must not contain any kind of nuts.

We do have a leaflet available if you are unsure. Please find Atera Meho our Health and Wellbeing Leader if you would like any advice regarding healthy lunches or snacks.



Year 6

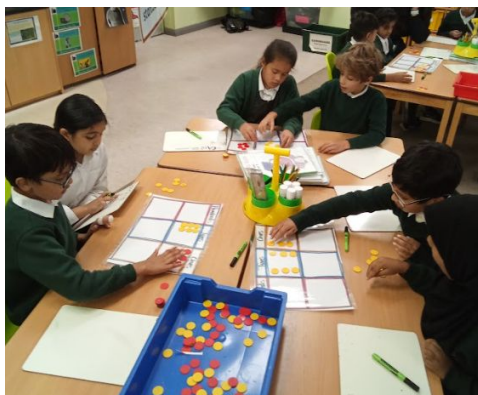
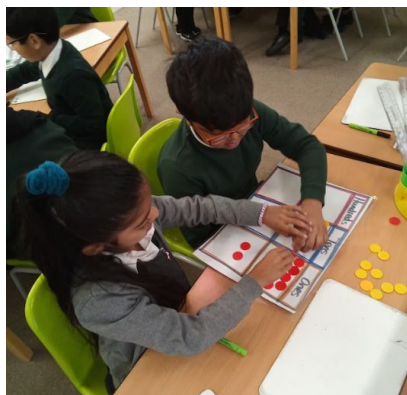
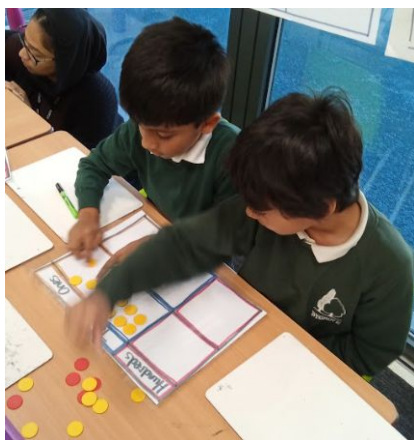
On Monday, Year 6 were learning how to hold their Ukulele correctly and practising their strumming skills.



Year 5

Last week, Year 5 held an art exhibition to celebrate their incredible Ancient Greek pottery. Parents and family members were invited into the classroom to see the culmination of a 5-week project where every child has created their own autobiographical pot. The children have been copying the style of famous artist Grayson Perry and using his coiling technique.





Year 3

On Tuesday, the Year 3 children added numbers that involved an exchange across the ones and tens column. We know if we have 10 or more ones in the ones column, then we have to exchange 10 ones for 1 ten.

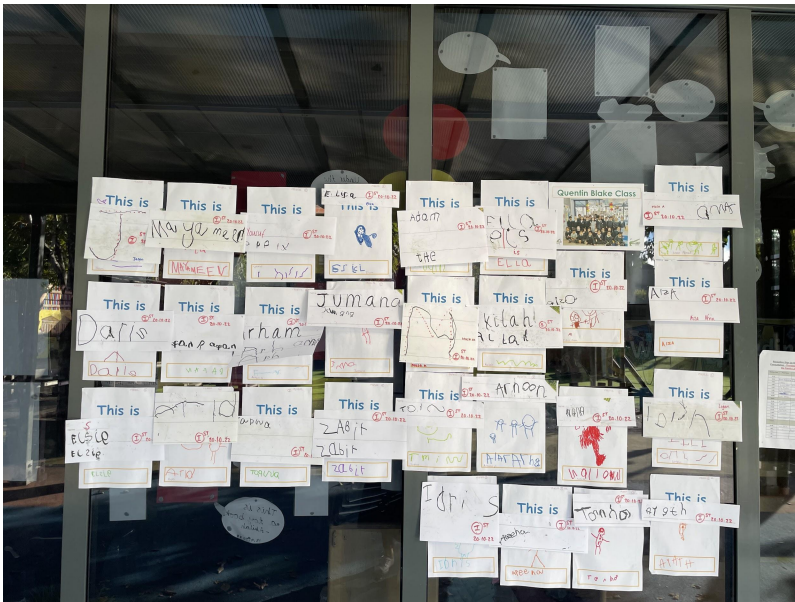


Year 2

Year 2 waiting patiently to go into the theatre for our sing-a-long Great Fire of London show! They had a fantastic time!

Reception

This week Reception have been focusing on mastering their name writing skills. Have a look outside the Reception window to see the progress children have made in just one week. Well done - keep going!



Reception have also been looking at the celebration 'Diwali'. They explored how similar/different the traditions are to their own religious celebrations.

Reception made diva lamps as it is a tradition for Hindus to light up their houses during Diwali.

Happy Diwali to all of our Hindu friends and families.



Year 6

Our Year 6 artists challenged themselves to show form in their drawings: to make an object look solid and heavy. They also continued to explore Henry Moore's techniques to wonderful effect. Thanks to @accessart for inspiration.

Baby Broadway Gospel

Sunday 23 October | 3.30pm

Sign along to some classics with London's CK Gospel Choir celebrating Black History Month

Find out more here:

<https://poplarunion.com/event/baby-broadway-gospel-special/>

Plastic Free Halloween Party

Monday 24 October | 10.30am

A crafty meet up where you learn how to make healthy Halloween inspired snacks and eco crafts to make your Halloween plastic free.

Find out more here:

<https://poplarunion.com/event/plastic-free-halloween-party-with-sunny-iar/>

3D Printing workshop (Halloween Special)

Tuesday 25 October | 10.30am & 2pm

Learn how to design 3D printing projects - this month you'll be making spooky pumpkins

Find out more here:

<https://poplarunion.com/event/3d-designing-halloween-special/>

POP-Corn presents: Turning Red

Friday 28 October | 10.30am

Film screening of Disney Pixar's Turning Red

Find out more here:

<https://poplarunion.com/event/pop-corn-presents-turning-red/>

Drama workshop

Sunday 16 October (this Sunday) for 8-11 year olds celebrating Black History and iconic heroes we should know more about. A great one if you're learning about Black History this October -

<https://poplarunion.com/event/b-365-presents-have-i-got-news-for-you/>

Poplar Union - Half Term events for families & kids

Check out some events happening during the half term school holidays organised by Poplar Union.



Box Office: 020 3039 3333

info@poplarunion.com

Address: 2 Cotall St, Poplar, London, E14 6TL

**Black
History
Month**

Visit
www.poplarunion.com
to explore all events

October 2022
At Poplar Union



Help for Households

- Household costs
- Energy Bills
- Childcare costs
- Income support
- Transport costs

<https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk/>

A PE kit in school colours is required. Green/black shorts or black leggings, black tracksuit bottoms and a white round neck t-shirt. Black trainers or black plimsolls.



PE Days and times

Thursday
Year 2 at 9:40am
*Year 6 Swimming (Poplar
Baths) at 11:30am
Year 6 at 2:20pm

Friday
Year 5 at 9:40am

*Swimming information



Bygrove
School

Nursery places available for September 2023

Would you like your child to
attend an outstanding Nursery?

Open days

Every morning from Mon 31st October 2022 to Friday 4th
November 2022, (pre booked appointments only)

Wednesday 2nd November 2022 4–5:30PM

Monday 9th January 2023 4–5:30 PM

Please contact the school office to arrange a visit to the school

call us on 02075384925 or email us at
admin@bygrove.org.uk

If your child was born between 1st September 2019
& 31st August 2020 you can apply for a Nursery
place at Bygrove Primary School online at
www.eadmissions.org.uk

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Monday 31st October
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advance.

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School applications are now open



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

Secondary admissions For children born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012	31 October 2022
Primary admissions For children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019	15 January 2023
Nursery admissions For children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020	16 February 2023

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
0207 364 5006



What if I am not a Tower Hamlets resident but would like a place at a Tower Hamlets school?

You can submit an online application via the E-admissions website: www.eadmissions.org.uk naming Tower Hamlets schools.

What if my child has an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP)?

The application process is different for children with EHCPs and you do not apply online. Speak to The Admissions Service or your child's SENCO for more information.

What if I apply late?

It's really important that you make your application before the closing date otherwise your application will not be considered until all on time applicants have received their outcomes and the school may then be full.

Is my child guaranteed a place at one of our preferred schools?

Most families will be offered a place at one of their preferred schools, but this cannot be guaranteed. When a school receives more applications than the number of places available, not all children can be admitted. Therefore, please fully consider the likelihood of your child getting a place at a preferred school before you make your application. **Only naming one school does not increase your chances of being offered the school.**

If my child is already in the school's nursery class, is there an automatic right to a place in the school's reception class?

When parents/carers apply for their children to start reception, no priority is given to children that attend the nursery of the school. The decision on whether a place can be offered will be made in accordance with the school's admission policy.

How will I be notified about the outcome of my application?

You will receive an email and a letter on National Offer Day.



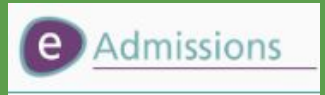
School Admission Application Deadlines

Year 6 parents/carers must apply for a secondary place by Monday 31st October 2022.

Nursery parents/carers must apply for a Reception place by Sunday 15th January 2023.

If you have or know someone with a child born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, you must apply for a Nursery place by Thursday 16th February 2023.

All applications must be completed via the [e-admissions portal](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk).



Nursery Admissions sessions Date & Time:

Tuesday 18th October 2022 10am

Friday 18th November 2022 1pm

Monday 5th December 2022 6pm

Thursday 12th January 2023 10am

Tuesday 7th February 2023 10am

Session link: <https://GR2023.eventbrite.co.uk>

Reception Admissions sessions Date & Time:

Monday 17th October 2022 10am

Tuesday 15th November 2022 1pm

Wednesday 7th December 2022 6pm

Friday 13th January 2023 10am

Wednesday 1st February 10am

Session link: <https://GS2023.eventbrite.co.uk>

Check out information regarding Reception admissions via

<https://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/Documents/Education-and-skills/Admissions-and-exclusions/Admissions-2022/Primary-School-prospectus.pdf>

Check out information regarding Nursery admissions via

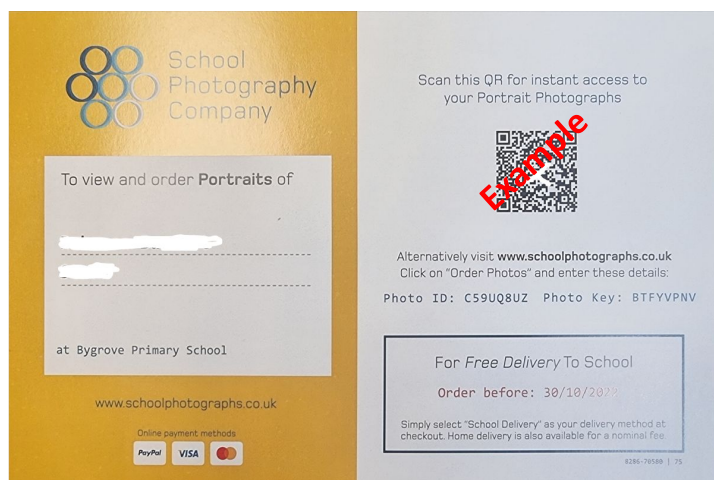
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Nursery & Reception Admissions sessions

The Admissions Service LBTH team are holding virtual information sessions for parents/carers with the Transition Support Service on Reception and Nursery admissions as it is time to apply.

All applications must be completed via the [e-admissions portal](#).

To view the portraits or to place your online order please visit www.schoolphotographs.co.uk and use the details from the photo leaflet as shown below.



Ordering your child's photo

Your child has been given a photo leaflet with the QR code and instructions on how to purchase the individual and sibling photos.

Please place an order by Sunday 30th October 2022 for a free delivery to the school office if you select 'School Delivery'.

Hall Hire

Price: £45 per hour
£50 deposit required at booking and only refundable after the event.

Availability: Most weekends and weekdays in the school holidays up until 10pm.

Car Park Space: 6 cars maximum.

8 double tables with benches attached and 40 chairs.
Playground use up until 8pm.

No alcohol allowed.

Please let us know if you would like to hire out the hall for birthdays, Mehndi parties, family gatherings, Eid parties and other events.

Contact Christina Maynard to arrange a viewing via admin@bygrove.org.uk or call 0207 538 4925



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