



# The Byword



25th November 2022

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## Key Dates

- Tuesday 29th November: World Cup Theme Day Lunch Menu
- Tuesday 6th December: Uniform Swap Day - 2:45pm in main hall
- 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: Christmas Panto - Parents welcome - Time TBC
- **Friday 16th December: Last day of school & Autumn Term - Children to be collected at 1.30pm**
- **Monday 19th December-Monday 2nd January 2023: School closed for Christmas holiday**
- Tuesday 3rd January: All pupils return to school

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have been getting into the Christmas spirit this week as the children have started to learn their songs & lines for the Christmas performance. Classes have also begun to make Christmas decorations ready to decorate the school next week. The staff have started practising their Christmas song which we hope parents will be able to join in with at the show!

Please look out for an email from Sharon regarding a Uniform Swap Day on Tuesday 6th December. We understand that the cost-of-living crisis is affecting our community so parents will be able to support each other by swapping second hand uniforms. This is also good for the environment as it reduces waste. The event will take place from 2.45pm in the main hall. Any donated uniforms must be washed & ironed beforehand & there is no obligation to bring something along. Everyone is welcome.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Fiona



We were delighted to receive this wonderful graphic novel from Sienna in Nursery. Our older children are avid readers and this thrilling tale of shapeshifters and witches has proved an immediate hit in Andy's class. The books gifted through Amazon are available for children to borrow when they visit our wonderful new library. Thank you also to Emily and Ben for each buying a book for the school.



Stars of the week



Y1: Noah + all of Y1

Y2: Azam

Y3: Ajwaad + Mohammad

Y4: All of Y4

Y5: Sulaiman

Y6: Jannah

Dining Hall Helper of The Week:

Farhan Y4 - well done!

Attendance

Year 4: 96.00%

Well done Year 4!

World Cup Theme Day Lunch Menu

There is a school menu change on Tuesday 29th November celebrating the World Cup.

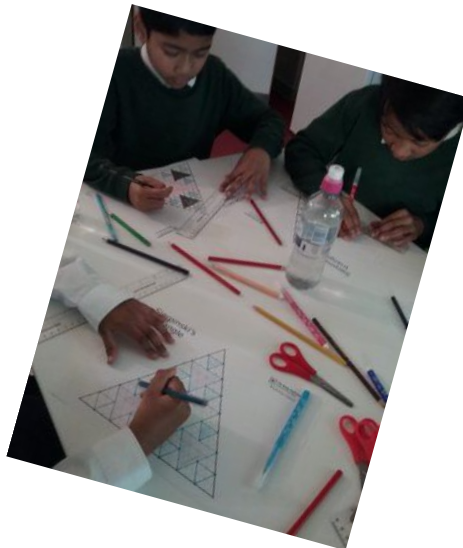
Check out the menu we will have for a fun football theme day!



<i>Chicken Sausage Hot dog</i>
or
<i>Veggie Sausage Hot dog</i>
<i>Served with</i>
<i>Caramelised Onions</i>
<i>Tomato Ketchup</i>
<i>Crispy Potato Wedges</i>
<i>House Salad &amp; Coleslaw</i>
<i>Dessert</i>
<i>Jam &amp; Coconut Sponge</i>
<i>Fresh Fruit Platter</i>







## KS2 Maths Masterclass

KS2 children had the opportunity to attend a Maths Masterclass @langdon\_park yesterday. They explored how maths is about exploring patterns. The children enjoyed learning about Sierpinski's & Pascal's triangles. Thank you for having us @langdon\_park



## Year 1 Art

Y1 explored the idea of texture this week. Inspired by the artist Max Ernst, they made rubbings of different materials. They then used their skills to create imaginative images. Well done Y1!



## Year 3 D&T

Y3 designers are refining their weaving technique to lovely effect to create their bookmarks. They are now thinking about colour, pattern and texture; as well as helping each other at the 'yarn shop'. Wonderful work!







## PARENT FACTSHEET

# Keep your child safe on Fortnite

- Fortnite is an online video game where players compete to be the last person standing in a post-apocalyptic world. The most popular version is **Fortnite: Battle Royale**, which sees up to 100 players pitted against each other to stay alive on an island. Players can build and demolish structures, and collect weapons, supplies and armour to help them along the way
- Players shoot each other using a range of lethal weapons, but the brightly-coloured, cartoon-style graphics and lack of bloodshed mean it doesn't feel too gory or graphic
- The age recommendation to play is **12 and above** – but you don't have to provide your age when creating an account, so younger children can still use it easily
- Fortnite: Battle Royale **is free to download** on PC/Mac, Xbox, PlayStation, Nintendo Switch, Android and iOS devices (Apple phones and tablets)

## What are the concerns?

You may have seen news reports or heard concerns raised about:

- **Communication between players:** they can talk to each other via messaging or a headset and microphone. Children could speak to strangers or be at risk of cyber-bullying
- **In-app purchases:** children can build up large bills on their parents' accounts by buying cosmetic items, like outfits for their character, and better-looking weapons ('skins')
- **The game's addictive nature:** there have been stories of children staying up all night to play, and falling asleep in lessons. Some people say this is down to the communal feel of the game – you can play with your friends – and because it's different every time you play

# Safeguarding at Bygrove



## 3 steps to take to keep your child safe

### 1. Use the parental controls on your gaming device

- Most devices allow you to **set time limits** on game play, **set age limits** for content, and **restrict in-app purchases**. Go to the website below for links to detailed instructions on your child's device – it covers PlayStation, Xbox, Apple and Android phones, and Nintendo Switch:
  - [Ask About Games](http://www.askaboutgames.com/advice/parental-controls) - [www.askaboutgames.com/advice/parental-controls](http://www.askaboutgames.com/advice/parental-controls)
- Battles in Fortnite last around 20 minutes, so make use of this natural stopping point when limiting your child's screen time. Set a limit in terms of matches rather than hours and minutes, or set time limits in 20-minute increments

### 2. Turn off the voice chat feature

Speak to your child to make sure they understand how to use this feature safely. Encourage them to follow the steps below if they meet someone who is offensive or inappropriate in the game.

To **disable the in-game voice chat function**:

- Select the menu icon, then 'Settings'
- Select the 'audio' tab (it's represented by a speaker icon)
- Tap the arrows next to 'voice chat'

To **'mute' individual players**:

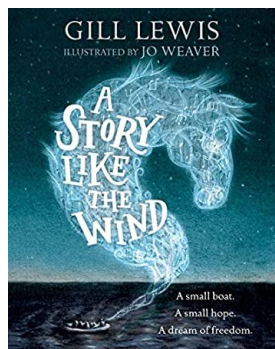
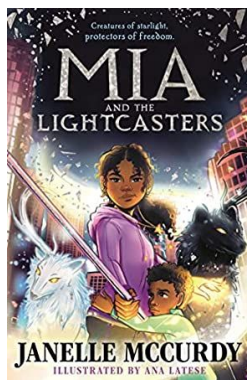
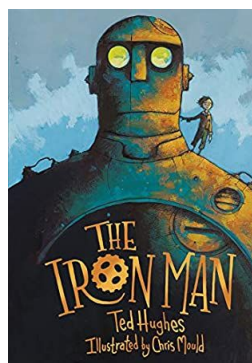
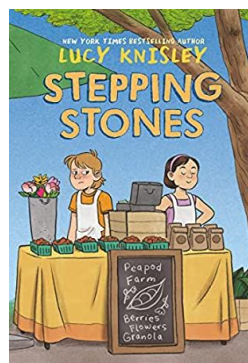
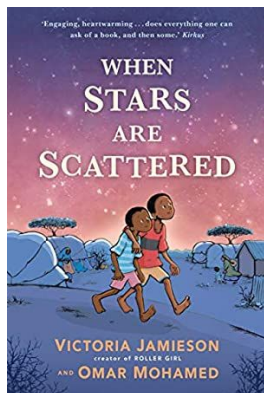
- Pause the game
- Hover over the player you wish to mute and select the mute button (a loudspeaker icon)

### 3. Make sure your child knows how to report inappropriate behaviour

To **report** players who make your child feel uncomfortable:

- Select the menu icon, then 'Reporting/feedback'
- On the 'Feedback type' tab, select 'Report player'
- Select the reason you want to report the player
- On the 'Select player' tab, select the name of the player you want to report
- On the 'Submit' tab, select 'Accept' to send the report
- Select 'Send report'





## Amazon Wishlist

Now that we have our beautiful, new library, we want to fill it with wonderful books for our children & families to enjoy. We have set up an Amazon wishlist of books that our children would love to read.

Please share this list with any companies or individuals who you think would be happy to support it. Every book donated will contain a thank you message to the purchaser.

Thank you in advance for your support:  
<https://amzn.eu/b9EIUbh>

There are more books on our list to choose from! we need help to fill our library and promote reading. Check out <https://amzn.eu/b9EIUbh> and feel free to share the link.



# CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



Save the  
Children

IS COMING, PEOPLE! AND

IT'S GOING TO BE EPIC!

Where:

Bygrove  
Primary School

When:

Thursday 8th  
December

Other details:



Registered with  
FUNDRAISING  
REGULATOR

Save the Children Fund is a charity registered in England & Wales  
(213890), Scotland (SC039576) and Isle of Man (199).



the  
school  
photography  
company

All parents/carers who ordered their child's class photos via the school delivery option should have received them this week.

There is an opportunity to still purchase your child's photo. To place an order, check out the second leaflet handed to your child this week.

## Christmas Jumper Day

You can wear red, green, Christmas jumpers or accessories on Thursday 8th December.

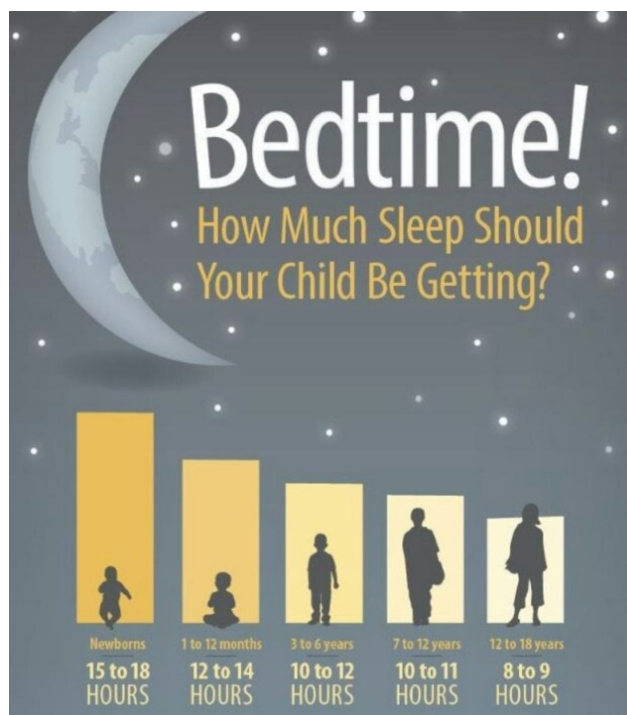
Remember to drop your £1 donations in the buckets at the gates.

All funds raised will be donated to Save the Children.

## Class Photos Delivery Update

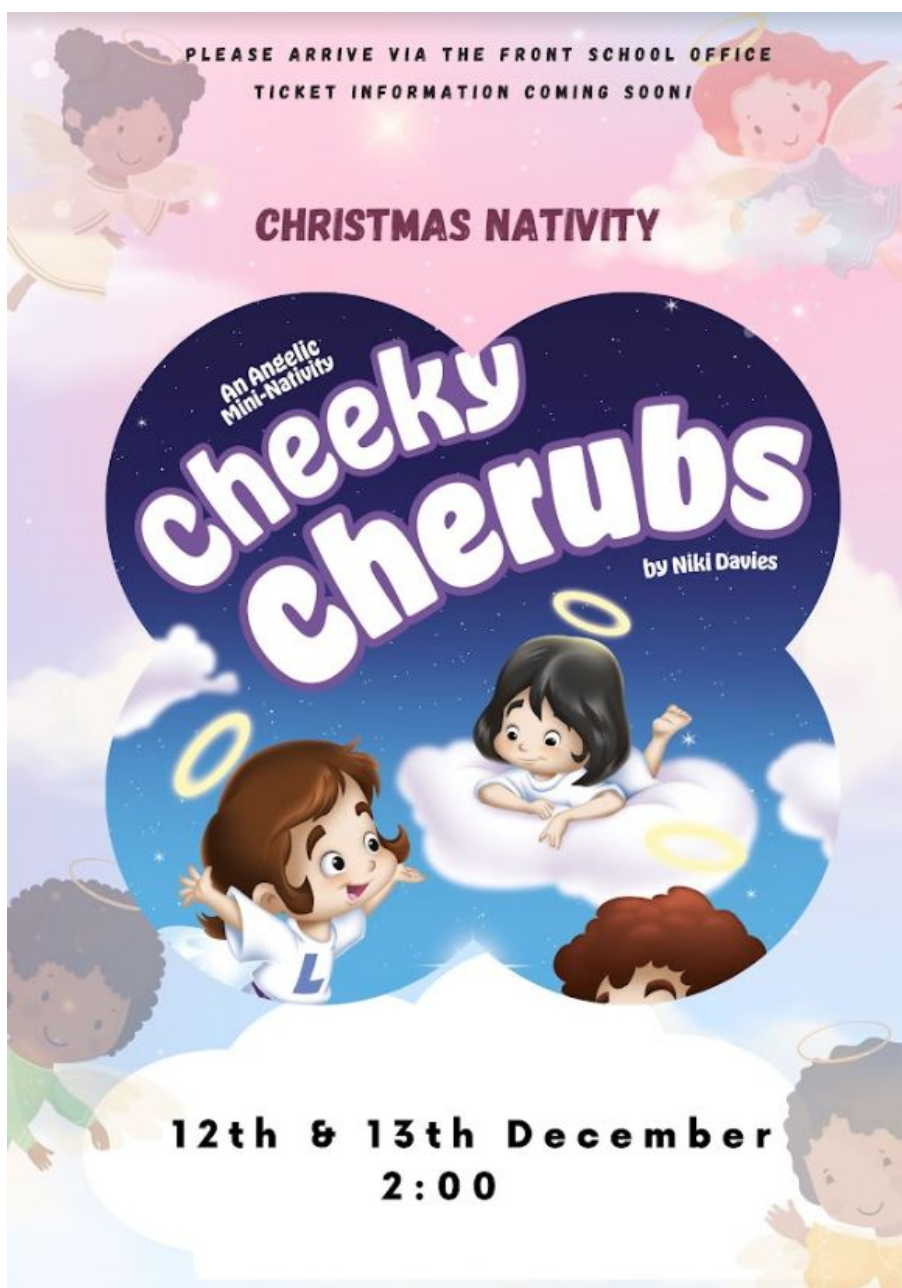
Please contact the school office if you have any questions or visit <https://www.schoolphotographs.co.uk/>





## Sleep For Children

A good night's sleep is key in building children's immune system as well as enabling them to learn in school. Please speak to Sharon or child's class teacher if you have any questions or need any support.



## The Nativity & Christmas Performance

Parents/Carers welcome and more information about the tickets will be coming out soon.

# SSF DATE 2023

**DATE CHANGE!**

**Wednesday  
29th March  
2023**

A date for your diaries Year 4 parents & carers!  
Next year's Year 4 Shakespeare Schools Festival  
performance date is Wednesday 29th March  
2023 at The Greenwich Theatre. More info soon!

## Year 4 Shakespeare Schools Festival

Parents/Carers will be able to watch the Year 4 performance at The Greenwich Theatre. More information will be coming up soon!



  
**MILE END  
STADIUM**

**ADDRESS: BURDETT ROAD, E3 4HL,  
TOWER HAMLETS**

**S.E.N.D**  
**DATE: SATURDAY**  
**1:00PM-2:00PM (8-18 YEARS)**

PLEASE ENSURE YOU MAKE CONTACT PRIOR TO ATTENDING BY  
EMAILING [COMMUNITYSPORT@WESTHAMUNITED.CO.UK](mailto:COMMUNITYSPORT@WESTHAMUNITED.CO.UK)

Sessions take place at **Mile End Stadium** on **Saturdays** from  
**1pm-2pm, 8-18-year-olds.**

Email the organiser directly before attending:  
[communitysport@westhamunited.co.uk](mailto:communitysport@westhamunited.co.uk)

## Free Premier League Kicks Sessions for SEND pupils in Tower Hamlets

There is an opportunity for young residents with SEND to access free physical activity sessions with Premier League Kicks sessions at Mile End Stadium. These sessions are delivered in partnership with West Ham United Foundation and their skilled specialist coaches offer a great way for young people to get exercise, let off steam and meet friends in a safe environment.





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## 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](tel:02075384925) or email us at  
[admin@bygrove.org.uk](mailto: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](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

## Nursery open days:

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# School applications are now open



<b>Primary admissions</b> For children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019	<b>15 January 2023</b>
<b>Nursery admissions</b> For children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020	<b>16 February 2023</b>

## Nursery Admissions sessions Date & Time:

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:

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

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

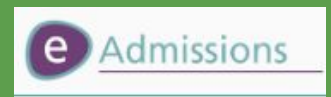
## Nursery & Reception Admissions sessions & Application Deadlines

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.

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](#).



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

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



SCAN ME



# 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](mailto:admin@bygrove.org.uk) or call 0207 538 4925**



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