



The Byword



10th February 2023

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Key Dates

- Monday 13th - Friday 17th February: Half term.
- Monday 20th February: INSET day**
- Tuesday 21st February: All pupils return to school.
- Tuesday 21st - Friday 3rd February: Parent consultation
- Tuesday 2nd March: World Book day.
- Friday 3rd March: Year 4 Sleepover
- Monday 6th March: Year 5 & year 6 Residential week (Gorsefield)
- Monday 13th March: Thinking of others week
- Friday 17th March: Red Nose Day
- Wednesday 29th March: Shakespeare School Festival year 4
- Friday 31st March: Autism Awareness
- Friday 31st March: Last day of term Children finish at 1:30pm**
- Monday 3rd- Friday 14th April: Easter Holidays
- Monday 17th April: INSET DAY - School closed
- Friday 21st April: Eid Day - School closed

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this year's Parents Have Your Say Conference with the Bygrove governors. It was brilliant to hear what you love about Bygrove & your ideas about how we can make the school even better for our children. We will be collating your feedback to share with all families after half-term. If you weren't able to attend on Thursday, but would like to share some ideas, you can always speak to your child's teaching team, email the office or catch one of us on the gate!

After half-term, we will be holding parent consultation meetings with class teachers. This is an opportunity to talk about how well your children are doing so please sign up for a slot. The dates are below in the newsletter.

I am sure many of you will be aware of the terrible situation in Turkey & Syria following the devastating earthquakes. The Disasters Emergency Committee are supporting the crisis in Turkey & Syria & here is a link if you would like to support their efforts: <https://www.dec.org.uk/>

At this half-way point in the academic year, I would like to thank you all for your incredible support this year & your continued involvement with the school. We are looking forward to another term of great learning at Bygrove.

See you all on Tuesday 21st February.

Best wishes,

Fiona



Spaces for January 2023 until March 2023 are now available!

To sign up, please log on to your ParentPay accounts. Each club space is offered on a first come, first served basis.
Please contact the school office for help with ParentPay.

Monday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Drumming Club	Years 3 - Y6	3:45 - 4:45	16 spaces remaining
Basketball Club	Reception - Y2	3:45 - 4:45	17 spaces remaining
Tuesday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Football Club	Years 3 - Y6	3:45 - 4:45	Fully booked
Wednesday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Basketball Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	10 spaces remaining
Thursday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Archery Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	14 spaces remaining
Cooking Club	Years 2 - 6	3:30 - 5:00	4 spaces remaining
Friday			
Club House	Nursery - Y6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Computing Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	5 spaces remaining
Tennis/ Table Tennis Club	Years 3 - 6	3:45 - 4:45	18 spaces remaining



Stars of the week

This week:

Y1: Nairah & Farha

Y2: Elias

Y4: Whole Class

Y6: Ihsaan

Dining Hall Helper of The Week:

This week:

Y3- Adam - well done!

Attendance

This Week:

Y1: 96.85%

Well done Y1!

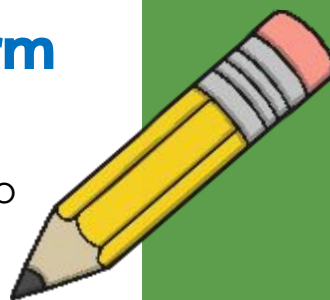
After School Clubs - Spring 2023

Each club costs £15.00 for the term. Breakfast Club will cost £1.00 per day and Ad-Hoc Club House sessions will cost £1.50 per day.

If you would like to make any changes with the club you have purchased, please let the office know by Monday 16th January 2023.

Student Contact Update Form

We are currently updating our school records to ensure we have the most up to date information held for you and your child.



Please return the completed forms to the school office by Friday 3rd March 2023 and indicate if changes are required or not required to be made.

If making changes to names or addresses, we may require original proof of your child's date of birth (birth certificate or passport) or original documents showing proof of your current address (either a recent council tax bill, child benefit letter, mortgage/rent agreement and a recent utility bill dated in the last three months).

You can contact a member of the school office team for any further information.

Parents Have Your Say

Many thanks to those parents who came & contributed their ideas at this event. Your ideas are invaluable to us & are always used to help us to make things better.



Explorers Certificates

Y1: **Khaleel** - Mount Everest: Confidence, research of the Local Area

Y1: **Arafat** - Pacific: Creativity

Y2: **Zahra** - Milky Way: Curiosity, working campaign

Y2: **Hana** - Pacific: Leadership skills

Y3: **Zahid** - Milky Way: Citizenship, on fly tipping

Y3: **Obonee** - Leadership, Local area research

Y3: **Mumena** - Pacific: - Leadership skills

Y4: **Amannah** - Inca: confident with others in teamwork

Y5: **Adrit** - Inca: teamwork and team player

Y6: **Maryam A** - Inca: 'glue of the group', motivates others.

Y6: **Viktoria** - Antarctica: Leadership, good campaign work

Mental Health Awareness Week Certificates

Y1 - Hermes, Khaleel, Farha and Asiyah

Y2 - Khadeeja, Iqra, Azam, Tanisha

Y3 - Arwin, Adam, Eva

Y4 - Khadhija

Y6 - Abrashmi, Inaya, Jessica

Y6 - Whole class poster wellbeing (coping with worry)



Congratulations

Thank You Sherin for
representing us and
collecting this amazing
award!





Parents Consultations(Spring Term 2023)

We will be holding parent consultations with teachers the week commencing Monday 20th February.

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 & mean that you can 'Zoom' in from the comfort of your own home or meet with the teacher on-site.

Akosua has helpfully created a video which explains how to access Zoom & prepare for the consultation. Please take a look:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1c4R6cTilE&feature=youtu.be>

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 & a member of the teaching team will be in touch to arrange an appointment.

Date	Year Group	Location
Tuesday 21st February	Year 6	Learning Hub
Tuesday 21st February	Nursery	Library
Wednesday 22nd February	Year 5	Learning Hub
Wednesday 22nd February	Year 4	Library
Thursday 23rd February	Year 1	Learning Hub
Friday 24th February	Year 2	Learning Hub
Friday 24th February	Reception	Library
Tuesday 28th February	Year 3	Learning Hub

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



Nursery

This week our Nursery children got to toast their own marshmallows! The children loved observing the fire, listening to the sounds and of course eating the marshmallows!

Year 4

Year 4 have been painting portraits and learning about Tudor art.



Reception

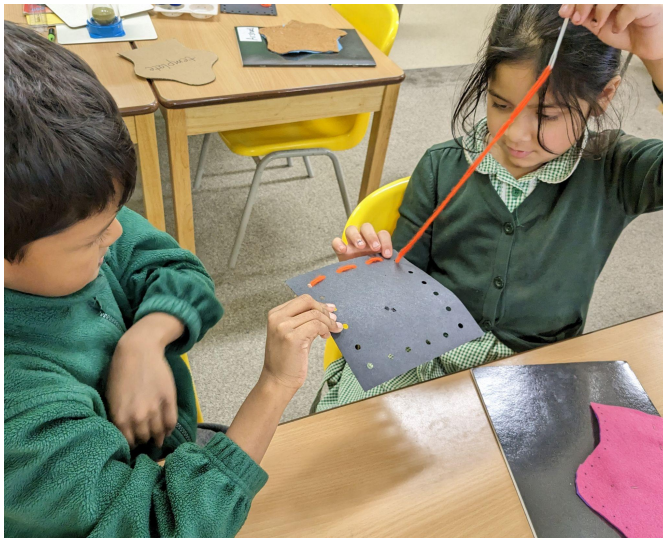
Reception enjoyed their first open fire experience at Forest School this week. They toasted marshmallows over the fire and ate them with some warm hot chocolate!

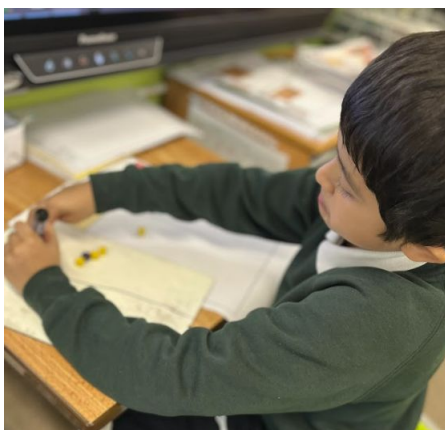
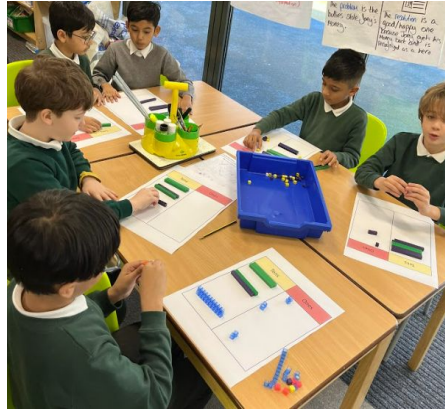
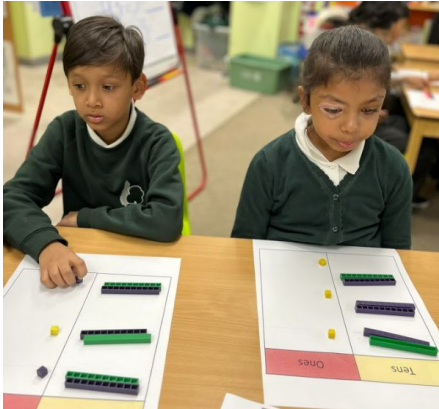




Year 2

Year 2 designers had a busy day today. They worked together to practise running stitch, chose their thread colour, and then began sewing their puppet. They even learnt how to do finishing stitch. After that, they made a design drawing to show the character of their puppet.





Year 3

Our Year 3 mathematicians were learning new strategies to divide. They used base ten and place value grids to show how to divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number by partitioning the value that is being divided. The children then divided the tens and ones into equal groups (as many as the 1-digit number). Well done team!

Year 5

The Year 5 maths masterclass team went to their final session which focused on probability. They looked at the idea of the lottery, how you choose 6 numbers out of 59, and the probability of you winning. To do this, we looked at a smaller sample of 5 numbers choosing either 2, or 3 out of the 5. This all connected back to our first session when we looked at Pascal's triangle. We found out that the chance of you winning in the national lottery was around 1 in 47 million!



Year 6

Year 6 had a really informative trip yesterday to the Thames Barrier Information Centre. We explored the history of the River Thames, and how the Thames Barrier prevents London from flooding. Once the fog eventually lifted, we got to see the Thames Barrier up close.





If you have a child aged between 0 and 4, you are welcome to join our stay and play sessions!

When: Every Thursday 2pm-3pm

Where: Bygrove Primary School, nursery classroom

Please enter through the main school office and register your name for each session. We will have a maximum capacity of 15 children (with parents) per session.

Some activities to look forward to:

- Painting
- Sand play
- Water play
- Fun with food
- Musical instruments
- Outdoor play
- Planned adult focus activities each week

Please note that parents must stay with their children during the whole session*



FREE* FAMILY CYCLE TRAINING

Suitable for regular cyclists
looking to progress cycle skills
to the next level

DATES:
MON 13 FEB
TUE 14 FEB
& THU 16 FEB

TIMES:
10:00- 12:00

**FREE
DR. BIKE
13 FEB
9AM - 12PM!**

BOOK

***REFUNDABLE £30 DEPOSIT PER FAMILY**

**IN EAST SIDE VICTORIA PARK
ENTERING FROM PARNELL ROAD
POSTCODE E3 2LA
VICTORIA PARK**

TOWER HAMLETS

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Free Family Cycle Training

Looking to progress cycle skills to the next level? Victoria Park are providing family cycle training.

Here are some of the dates when you can participate. You just have to book:

- Monday 13th February
- Tuesday 14th February
- Thursday 16th February

From 10:00 -12:00

TOWER HAMLETS

**FREE BIKE CHECK
13 FEB
9AM - 12PM**

FREE FAMILY CYCLE TRAINING

Bespoke course suitable for regular cyclists looking to progress their cycle skills to the next level.

3-Day February Course
Mon 13 | Tue 14 | Thur 16
Sessions are 10 till 12

Victoria Park
**IN EAST SIDE VICTORIA PARK
ENTERING FROM PARNELL ROAD
POSTCODE E3 2LA**

Booking required - limited places!
***REFUNDABLE £10 DEPOSIT PER FAMILY**

bikeworks

JUNIOR FOOTBALL COURSES

Whether your child is a complete beginner or you're looking to help them build their confidence, football courses at Whitechapel Sports Centre will help them develop skills to last a lifetime.

Join us every Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday.

Book now at better.org.uk/lessons



Football at Whitechapel Sports Centre

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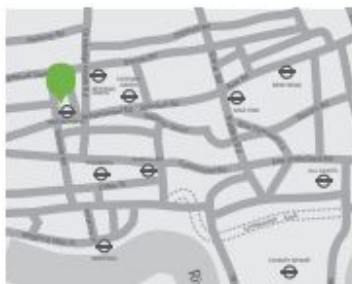
The courses will run on Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday.

For more information or to book the course please go on their website;
better.org.uk/lessons



JOIN US FOR FOOTBALL

Our junior football training programme is designed to put fun at the heart of learning, and open to all abilities from 18 months to 12 years of age, boys and girls, regardless of experience. Your child's programme is personalised so they continually develop in a fun and welcoming environment.



Scan here for days,
times and prices



Whitechapel Sports Centre
55 Durward Street
Whitechapel, Tower Hamlets
London E1 5BA

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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!

Bikes and Scooters needed!

If you have any bikes or scooters that are unwanted or unused but in good condition, can you please donate them to the school. We will be using them during our school physical education lessons. They will need to be suitable from the age 9 and upwards.

Kind Regards,
Atera Meho

PE Teacher and Coordinator



SWIM SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSES

Why not keep the kids active this holiday while learning a new life skill with our Swim School Holiday Courses.

Classes for 2023 (Foundation class's only):

13th -17th February, 9am - 11:30am

3rd - 6th April, 9am - 11:30am

14th -18th and 21st -25th August, 9am - 11:30am

- For ages 4 years - 11 years.
- Each class is 30 minutes
- £5 per lesson
- Tiller Leisure Centre, Tiller Road, Docklands, Tower Hamlets, London, E14 8PX

To find and book a Swim School holiday short course:

- Visit better.org.uk/book-lesson
- Find and click on your preferred location to be taken to the available courses.
- Select 'Swim School Holiday Courses' in the left-hand filter.

Our Learn to Swim framework is designed by industry experts to ensure lessons are of the highest quality, progressive and make our pupils journey fun and hassle free. All our teachers are professional, passionate and pupil-focused; and will ensure your child is in safe hands.

Book your short course today at
better.org.uk/lessons



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Swim School Holiday Courses.

This is a great opportunity to keep your child active throughout the holidays. Remember to book your course at better.org.uk/lessons

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School applications are now open



Nursery admissions

For children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020

16 February 2023

Nursery Application Deadlines

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



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.

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>

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 or call 0207 538 4925



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