



# The Byword



17th March 2023

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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are well & enjoying the surprise sunshine this afternoon.

This week kicked off in style with our belated World Book Day. Thank you so much to all of the parents who attended our WBD assembly & took part in cheering on the catwalk participants. The children enjoyed a day of celebrating reading & particularly enjoyed their visits from the mystery readers during storytime!

Next week will see the start of Ramadan & all of us at Bygrove would like to wish all our Muslim families a happy and fulfilling Ramadan.

As this is the holiest month of the Islamic year, we would like to support our pupils in joining in with Ramadan as much as they can in school. We will be encouraging pupils to think carefully about their behaviour towards others at this time including being kind, thoughtful and generous.

The school will be closed for Eid-ul-Fitr on Friday 21st April.

You will have received a separate email today about fasting during Ramadan so please do get in touch with a member of staff should you have any questions.

Many thanks and Ramadan Mubarak!

Fiona



## Key Dates

- Wednesday 29th March: Shakespeare School Festival Year 4
- Thursday 23rd March: Year 5 Swimming Assessment Day
- Thursday 30th March: Year 5 Final swimming lesson, Assessment Day
- 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
- Monday 1st May: Bank Holiday
- Monday 8th May: Bank Holiday
- Monday 8th May - Friday 10th May: SATS Week
- Monday 15th May: INSET DAY
- Wednesday 24th May: Year 3 Gorsefield Trip



## Stars of the week

Y1: Mariam

Y2: Jaleel

Y3: Reyan & Tasmi

Y4: Qismat

Y5: Whole class (for great teamwork/collaboration at Gorsefield)

## Attendance

Y1: 98.33%

Well done Y1!

## Red Nose Day

Today we dressed up in something red to raise money and be part of ending child poverty throughout the world.

Thank you for your contributions. We have raised **£124.89!**

All funds will be donated to Comic Relief.

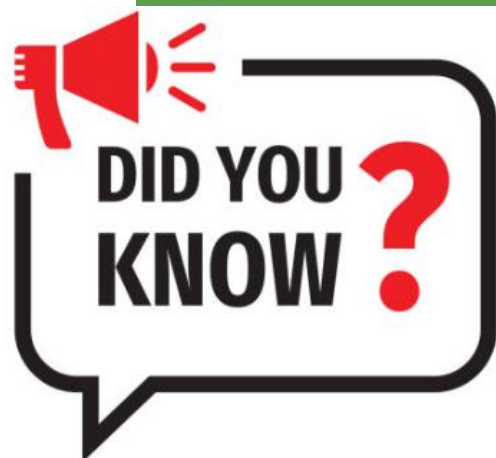
**BEST  
RED NOSE DAY  
EVER**



When you update your contact information (*mobile number/ email*) via the school office, you also need to make the changes on your ParentPay account?

Please login via <https://www.parentpay.com> to check that your ParentPay account has the most up-to-date information.

Contact the school office for any support with ParentPay.



### Healthy Birthday Celebrations & Treats in School

As part of our Healthy School status and to support our families who have food allergies or intolerances, we can have healthy birthday treats when celebrating in school.

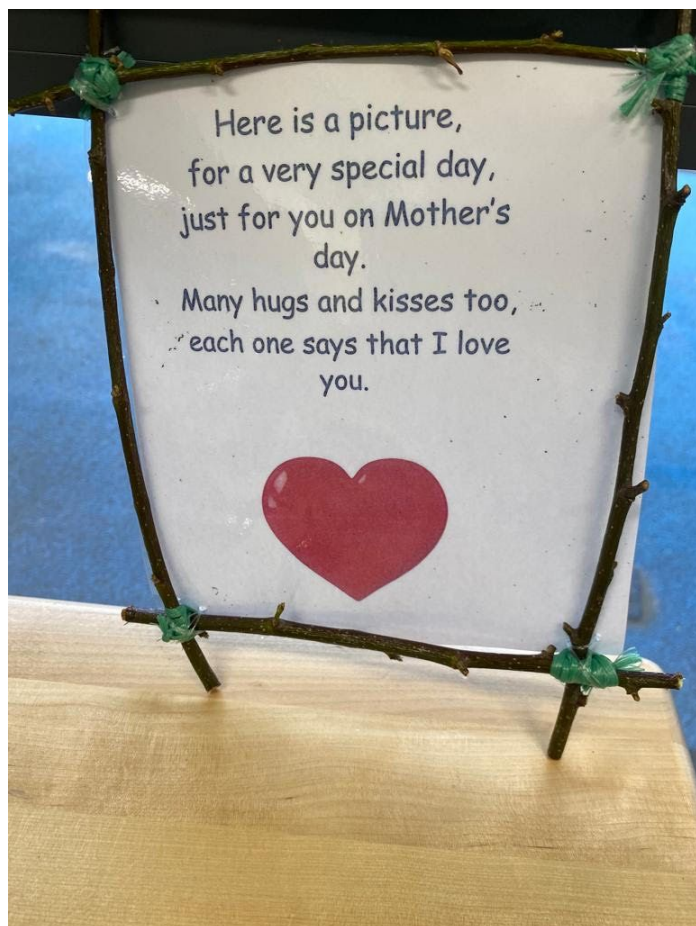
Fruits, fruit platters or fruit kebabs will be accepted.



## Nursery

Nursery have made a Mother's Day cards as part of their forest school learning. They learnt to do lashing which is linking things together.

Mother's Day: Sunday  
19th March







## Nursery

Nursery have been learning all about the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. As a special treat this week, we went to the market to buy all the yummy fruits the caterpillar eats! The children then enjoyed making delicious fruit kebabs. A special well done to Aiden who haggled 4 free lychees!







## Year 1

Our Y1 class were sculptors today. They explored lots of techniques to change the shape of a piece of clay. They made creatures like snails & hedgehogs. Then, they used their skills to make some very expressive & detailed reptile sculptures.



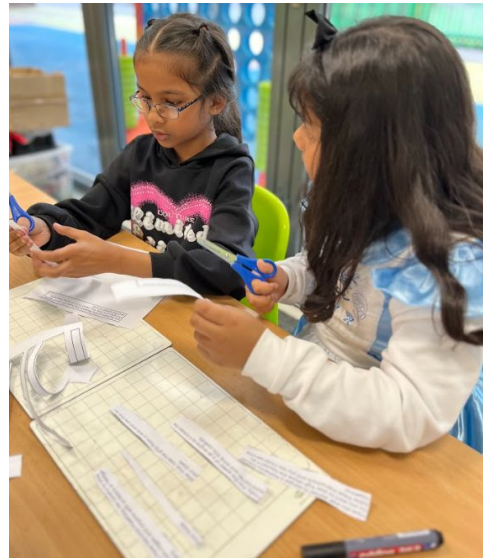
## Year 3

Y3 engineers have been learning all about lever & linkage mechanisms. They have been making sure that each stage of the making and connecting is done as accurately as possible so that the mechanism moves well. Excellent work Y3!



## Year 3

Year 3 kicked off their instructions unit in English by learning about the parts of an instruction text and the correct order of those parts. They used subheadings, time connectives and language features as clues to put together a jumbled set of instructions.





## World Book Day

Thank you to all the children and staff who dressed up as a character from their favourite book! Thank you as well to all the parents who were able to come and see our World Book Day catwalk. Everyone looked amazing!





More of World  
Book Day





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\*





## Y4 Shakespeare Performance

On Wednesday 29th March at 7:30pm, the Year 4 will be performing at Greenwich Theatre.

Parents and carers are now able to purchase the tickets using the direct link that we have provided.

<https://greenwichtheatre.org.uk/events/shakespeare-schools-festival-23/>

**WED 29TH MARCH 7:30 GREENWICH THEATRE**

# **SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FESTIVAL**

**THANK YOU TO THE YEAR 4 PARENTS AND CARERS WHO HAVE GIVEN BACK THEIR CHILD'S PERMISSION SLIP AND FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT. THE CHILDREN ARE VERY EXCITED TO SHOW YOU WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON.**



### **RAMADAN CHANGES**

The performances will now begin at 7:30. The Greenwich theatre is very happy for you to bring snacks and water into the theatre if you require to break your fast. There will also be a prayer room for parents to use throughout the evening.

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW! PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS FROM THE GREENWICH THEATRE WEBSITE.  
[HTTPS://GREENWICHTHEATRE.ORG.UK/](https://greenwichtheatre.org.uk/)**

### **PARENTS GROUP**

We would like to have a parents group set up that would meet at the school on Wednesday 29th March at 6:00pm so parents can travel to and back from the theatre together. Please let Jen or the class teacher know if this is something you would be interested in.



JNOBLE@LETTA.ORG.UK

## Swimming Lessons

If you want to improve your child's water confidence and learn how to swim, you can get 50% off swimming lessons for our pupils outside of school time

# GIVE YOUR CHILD AN INVALUABLE LIFE SKILL AT

- MILE END LEISURE CENTRE
- POPLAR LEISURE CENTRE
- TILLER LEISURE CENTRE
- YORK HALL LEISURE CENTRE

Do you want to improve your child's water confidence and give them the ability to swim?

Discover how to kick-start your child's confidence in the water at [better.org.uk/swim-school](https://better.org.uk/swim-school)

USE CODE Treat50  
SEE REVERSE FOR DETAILS



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## WHAT'S MORE, YOUR CHILD WILL...

- Develop social skills whilst having fun with new friends
- Feel motivated as they progress through stages
- Improve their confidence with every stroke
- And most importantly, learn a life saving skill

Better Swim School offers affordable lessons for all ages and abilities taught by qualified teachers with our own industry leading swim school programme. Our safe and friendly environment will ensure your child enjoys life long fun in and around the water.

Book now to secure your child's place at [better.org.uk/swim-school](https://better.org.uk/swim-school)

Simply enter code 'Treat50' at checkout to claim 50% off your initial payment when you sign up before 31st March 2023.

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# EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

## MILE END PARK LEISURE CENTRE AND STADIUM

Looking for something to keep the kids entertained this holiday? Why not spend it with us. Our holiday club activities include:

- Trampolining
- Football
- Swimming
- Arts and Crafts
- Under 8 indoor adventure playground
- Plus much more

Free funded spaces are available for children on Free School Meals. Children must attend a Tower Hamlets school, be aged 5-16 and be in receipt of free school meals to access this offer.

To register your interest please email: [mileendparklc@gll.org](mailto:mileendparklc@gll.org)

3RD - 13TH APRIL  
5-16 YEARS  
£21.20 PER DAY



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# EASTER JUNIOR SHORT COURSES

3rd-7th April & 10-14th April 2023

WEEK 1  
3rd-7th April

- Athletics: 2pm-3pm
- Trampolining: 11am-12pm

WEEK 2  
10th-14th April

- Gymnastics: 11am-12pm
- Football: 2pm-3pm

For more information please email: [mileendparkleisurecentre@gll.org](mailto:mileendparkleisurecentre@gll.org)

To book: [www.betterlessons.org.uk](http://www.betterlessons.org.uk)

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## Easter Holiday Club

Clubs available if you want to keep your children entertained during the Easter holiday. Clubs available:

- Trampolining
- Football
- Swimming
- Arts & Crafts
- Under 8 indoor adventure playground

From 3rd - 13th April (5-16 years)

£21.20 per day.

For more information visit the BETTER website.  
<https://www.better.org.uk/>

## Easter Junior Short Courses

Easter Junior Short Courses are running between 3rd-7th and 10-14th April

Different courses available:

- Athletics
- Trampolining
- Gymnastics
- Football

For more information please visit the website  
[www.betterlessons.org.uk](http://www.betterlessons.org.uk)

# 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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