





24th January 2025

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Key Dates

- Monday 27thJanuary EYFSOpen Day 4pm
- Tuesday 28th
 January SFSC
 Induction Day

 9:15am
- Thursday 30th
 January Chinese
 Lunar New Year
 Special Lunch
- Wednesday 5thFebruary Spanishworkshop 9-9:30am
- Friday 7th February
 Shakespeare
 Schools Festival
- Wednesday 12th
 February Parent
 Have Your Say
 Conference
 9am-10.30am
 - Friday 14th
 February Last day
 of half term
- Monday 24th
 February: INSET Day
 School closed

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been a pleasure to see the children settle into their learning this term. Our curriculum driver this term is science & Year 2 started the term with an informative trip to the Soanes Centre to kick start things off! Please speak to your child about their learning this term to find out what they've been doing in school.

Year 4 are continuing to work hard to prepare for their performance Romeo & Juliet as part of the Shakespeare Schools Festival. Their rehearsals have begun with great energy and we can't wait to see them shine at the Greenwich Theatre on on Friday 7th February.

Looking ahead, we have our annual Parent Have Your Say Conference on Wednesday 12th February. This is an opportunity to have a cup of tea with our school governors & talk about what you think is going well at Bygrove and how you think we can all work together to make things even better! The conference will take place from 9am in the school hall. We really hope you can attend & are looking forward to hearing your ideas for the future.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Fiona









After School Clubs: spaces are available!

Our club provision for the Spring term will begin on Tuesday 7th January 2025 including Ad-Hoc Club House sessions and Breakfast Club. Please keep an eye for emails because you will need to pay via ParentPay.

The clubs available:

After School Clubs - Spring 2024

Fach club costs £18.50
for the term. The price for the Cooking Club is £21.00 due to the sessions being longer and the additional resources required.

Breakfast Club will cost £1.00 per day and Ad-Hoc Club House sessions will cost £2.00 per day.

Mondays					
Club House	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome		
Music Production	Years 2 - Year 6	3:45 - 4:45	17 spaces remaining		
	Tuesday	's			
Club House	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome		
Phase 2 Football Club	Years 4 - Year 6	3:45 - 4:45	6 spaces remaining		
	Wednesdays				
Club House	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome		
Phase 1 Football Club	Year 1 - Year 3	3:45 - 4:45	5 spaces remaining		
	Thursdays				
Club House	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome		
Cooking Club (£21 per term)	Years 1 - Year 6	3:45 - 5:00	NO spaces remaining		
Fridays					
Club House	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome		

Attendance

Our aim is to promote high attendance so that our pupils achieve well at school. Regular attendance and punctuality is also crucial for making friends and developing good relationships.



Very Good 97% - 99%

Potential to improve 91% - 96%

Needs to improve 90% & below

Our whole school attendance target for this year:

97.00%

Attendance for the week beginning Monday 13th January 2025 - Friday 17th January 2025 (Rec-Y6):

93.41%

Year	Attendance	
Nursery	94.88%	
Reception	94.19%	
Year 1	91.72%	
Year 2	98.33%	
Year 3	96.67%	
Year 4	94.00%	
Year 5	88.28%	
Year 6	90.34%	

Last week's attendance

Y2: 98.33%

Well done Y2!

Medical Tracker Introduction

We will be introducing a more convenient way to keep parents regularly informed about first-aid incidents and medication administration at school, using a service called Medical Tracker.



This system will also allow us to analyse the data we record to improve our response to future incidents and better support pupils' health needs. It will allow us to inform parents/carers of first aid incidents and medication administration by email.

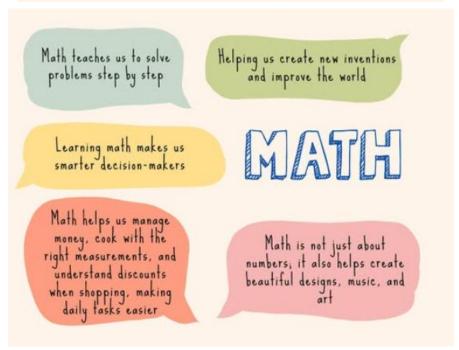
To use Medical Tracker effectively, we need your email address to always be up-to-date to notify you of incidents.

Important – email messages will be sent from donotreply@medicaltracker.co.uk Please add this address to your email address books (or approved sender list) to prevent messages from being blocked by your SPAM/JUNK filters.

Parent Consultations - Spring 2025

Date	Year Group	Location	
Tuesday 25th February	Year 2	Year 2 Leadership Room	
Wednesday 26th February	Year 5	Leadership Room	
Wednesday 26th February	Nursery	Therapy Room	
Thursday 27th February	Year 1	Leadership Room	
Friday 28th February	SLS	Therapy Room	
Tuesday 4th March	Year 6	Leadership Room	
Tuesday 4th March	Year 3	Therapy Room	
Wednesday 5th March	Year 4	Leadership Room	
Thursday 6th March	Reception	HT Room	

MATHEMATICS IS IMPORTANT



It is important to support your child at home with maths so that they are the most successful & confident they can be in their learning.

It is key for children to build **fluency** (This means being able to use the four operations $+ - x \div$ quickly and with confidence. Noticing patterns and using those to solve problems.)

Your child should be using **Mathletics** to revisit the learning they have done in school. We celebrate the learning completed every week!



Your child should be quick in the recall of their **times tables.** They must practise frequently to be consistent.

Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
2, 5, 10	2, 3, 5,10	2, 3,4, 5,6, 8, 10	Up to 12	Up to 12	Up to 12

You can also support your child by purchasing workbooks that they can use to practise and complete at home. **CGP** have some great maths workbooks. These can be purchased on their website, amazon or in many popular bookstores.

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Explorers





























Which Destination are you completing this half term?

Adventurers (Y1-3):

Poplar Guide- Focus Behaviours: Confidence & Leadership

Local Activist - Focus Behaviours: Citizenship & Curiosity

Stallholder - Focus Behaviours: Leadership & Creativity

Pioneers (Y4-6):

London Guide - Focus Behaviours: Confidence & Leadership

Global Activist - Focus Behaviours: Curiosity & Leadership

Entrepreneur - Focus Behaviours: Leadership & Teamwork

We cannot wait to get started!

Explorers

Explorers is back! The children have had a chance to aet to know their new families and will start their Spring term destinations.

In the Spring, each family will complete TWO destinations!

Here is a reminder of the **Bygrove Families:**

Pacific Explorers

Mount Everest Explorers

Ask your child a fact about their family name!

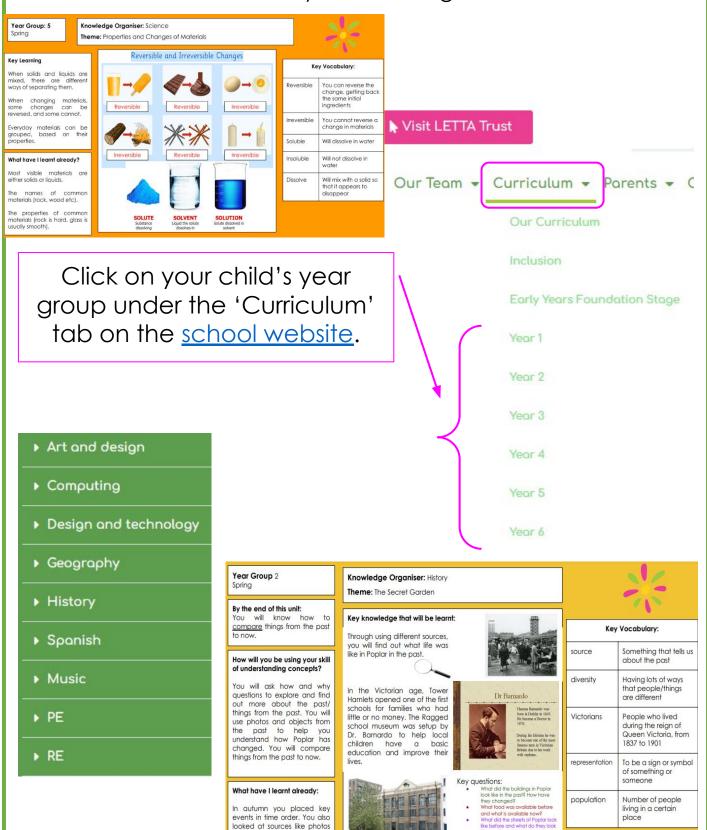
Each Family will begin a new **Destination** which they will complete over the next four weeks.

Each Destination has a focus on chosen Behaviours.

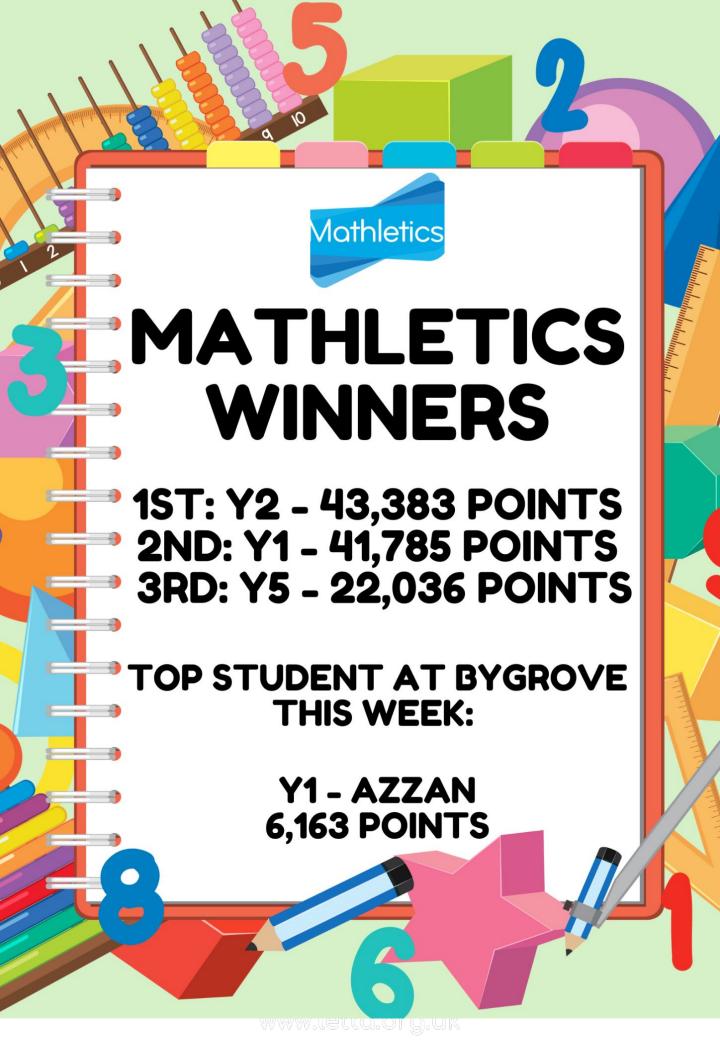
Please ask your children which Destination they are completing and how they can get better at these Behaviours this half term.

Have a look at your child's **knowledge organisers** this term.

They are put together by subject leaders to help support the children in learning **key facts & vocabulary** about the subjects they are learning.



and then asked questions





Stars Of The Week

Year 1

Adyan & Kazi Omar

Year 2

Yousuf

Year 3

Yamin

Year 4

Hafsah

Year 5

Mohammad & Sama

Year 6

Zamzam



YEAR 1: SAYAN

YEAR 2: ARHAAN

YEAR 3: AAHIL

YEAR 4: MARYAM

YEAR 5: ALIAH

YEAR 6: LAMIA

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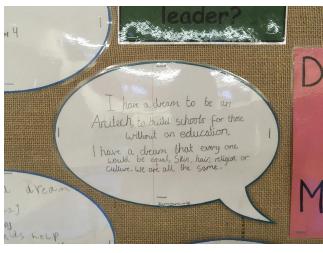
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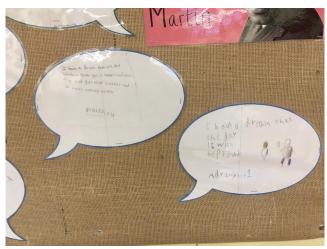


As a part of Dr.

Martin Luther King
Day, the whole
school revisited
the key messages
from the famous
speech 'I have a
dream...'
Children took the
time to reflect on
their own hopes
and dreams for

the wider world.









Nursery

Our Nursery children have enjoyed planting garlic and onions this week at Forest School.

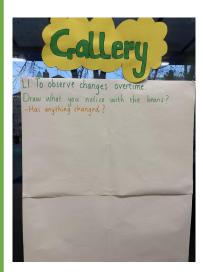


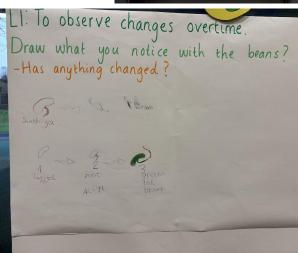
In science, Reception are observing changes that occur overtime. They have planted dwarf beans and created a greenhouse display so that they can notice the changes they see as the beans grow.

Reception











Reception

As a part of the half termly lunchtime healthy cooking sessions, this week a group of children made pumpkin omelettes. The children had great fun & enjoyed their healthy lunch. Have you tried pumpkin omelette before? You can use our recipe and let us know what you think.

















Pumpkin Omelette Recipe

Made by Bygrove's little chefs:)



Ingredients

Pumpkin 1 KG, Mozzarella cheese 3 cups

Plain flour 1 cup, Milk 2 cups

6 Eggs, Butter 2 tablespoons

Salt 1 tablespoon, Cinnamon 2 sticks

Directions

Peel the pumpkin and cut it into pieces.

In a pot put pumpkin pieces along with cinnamon sticks, salt and enough water to cover the pieces. Cook it for 15 to 20 minutes.

After the time has past remove pumpkin pieces from the pot and put it in a bowl.

Crash the pumpkin pieces and add eggs, flour and milk in mashed pumpkin and mixed them together until we get a smooth batter.

In a frying pan add a little butter, now place part of the mixture and spread it.

Cook over low hit, when it's done add 1 handful mozzarella cheese and close it in the shape of an omelette and let the cheese melt.

When it's ready take it out carefully and **Enjoy**!

SLS

The children in the SLS were beginning a fortnightly focus on "Space and Air". We explored this topic through different media using "Messy Play" with bubbles, shaving foam and ice. Using our senses we explored different ways we could blow bubbles using straws, rolls and our mouths. We investigated shaving foam with our sense of touch to describe how it felt on our hands. We observed how ice can slide and saw how it melts.



Year 3

Year 3 have been learning about lever & linkage mechanisms and become quite expert in constructing them accurately. Now they're starting to design & make moving greetings cards for specific people. Brilliant work, Year 3!







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Year 2

Some wonderful designing & making of very characterful puppets happening in the Year 2 classroom. We loved this!







Year 2 have continued working on designing their puppets in D&T this week. They decorated some fantastic, vibrant puppets using their sewing skills!















Year₁

Year 1 went on a winter walk this week to explore all of the different signs of winter. Before leaving school, they all wrapped up warm in their coats, scarves and hats. As they knew that in winter it is cold outside. During the walk the children noticed lots of the trees were bare and had no leaves on them. They also noticed the grass was wet, stodgy and the mud was very soft. The children said this happens because in winter it rains a lot and so the ground gets very wet. Finally, the children took a photo in-front of the biggest tree in the park. They will be returning in spring to see if anything has changed.







This week Year 1 have been exploring Scratch Jr as part of their programming unit in computing. The children have been learning how to join programming blocks together to create an algorithm with a starting block, movement blocks and an end block. By combining all of these together the children were able to create an algorithm that their sprite on the screen would follow.



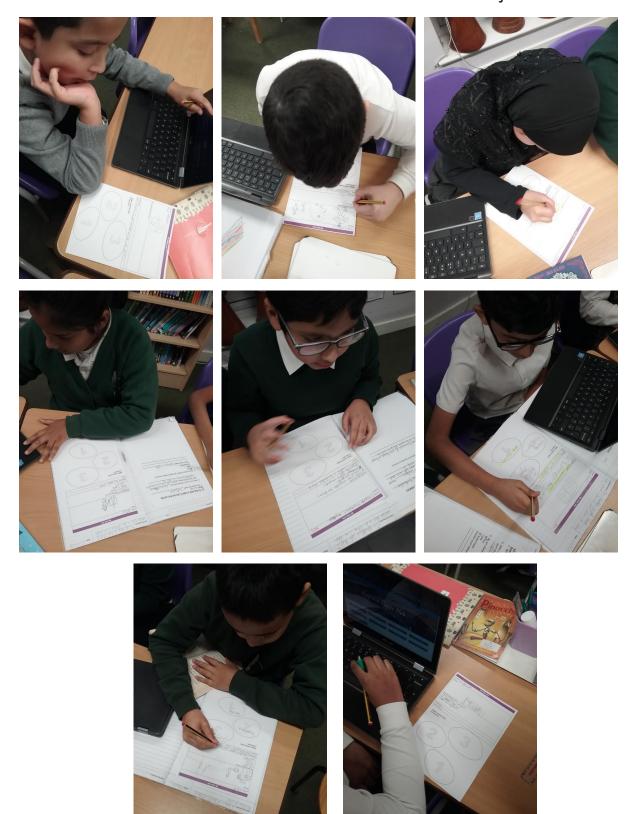




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Year 5

This week in PSHE, Year 5 have been identifying what job they would like to do when they are older. They had to see what what would motivate them and what steps they would need to take in order to achieve their dream job.



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Dessert

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- Dates: Mon 17 Fri 21 Feb 2025 (5 days)
- Open to Children: Ages 5-12 Years (only)
- Venues: Across London (look right>)
- Times: 9am 3:30pm (6.5hrs).

Earliest drop off 8:30am; latest collection 4pm

Day Places: Limited day-places available to book online

Early Bird

Science Investigators! - New for 2025

Day 1> Fabulous Forces! Fizz, Bang, Boom! Ready, Steady, Go! Cool Car Friction! Day 2> Living It Up **Brilliant Bodies!** Super Slime! **Heart Beat! Day 3> Super Structures**

Strong House! Marble Maze Run! **Tallest Tower** Investigation!

Day 4> Magic Materials Tough Ropes! Clean Water! **Insulation Inquisition!** Day 5> Journeys! **Neuron Networks! Chunnel Games!** Air Journey!

Ready, Set, Stretch!

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April Easter

Holiday Science Activity Camp -Brilliant Biology!



May-June Half-Term Holiday Science Activity Camp -Weird Science!



Did You Know? we also do THE BEST BIRTHDAY PART

EVER!

South East Locality Activities for children under 5

Spring Term Timetable 2 January - 21 April 2025

Isle of Dogs MONDAY

9.15am-5pm 9.30am-4pm herapy Ux Language

2-21/2 Year Health Review UO 0-11am

Theatre Unit Creative Play with Half Moon

Toilet Training U

Delivered on 1st Monday of the

Speech and Language 9.15am-5pm Around Poplar

9.30am-4pm For under 2s

Little Talkers ®

Sensory Play for Babies U For pre-crawlers only

Chrisp Street

Midwife Team **U**O

2-2½ Year Health Review 🕻 🔾

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Play Plus 🛛 🖾 30-3pm

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- Universal
- Call to book
- BEOC
- Targeted
- Crèche available

admittance to sessions 30 Please note there will be no

WEDNESDAY

Isle of Dogs

Isle of Dogs TUESDAY

9am-5pm Midwife Clinic – Community Midwife Team UO

11.30am-1pm For under 12 months Sensory Play for Babies

Starting Solids U
For under 2s First Tuesday of the month

4-5.30pm

wilight Stay & Play U

3-4 Months Health Review @ Therapy UE

9.30am-4.30pm

Around Poplar

0-19 Appointment Clinic UO

10am-11.30am

10-11.30am

L30-3pm

Play Plus @

L30-3pm

are able to attend this session During holidays, children under 11 Active Stay and Play U

9am-5pm Clinic - Community

10-11.30am

Chrisp Street

9.30am-4pm

Drop in service for families

Service Drop-in

10-11.30am unication Stay and

Little Talkers 1.30-3pm 10-11.30am

- By appointment only
- Term time only
- By invite only Virtual session
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10-11.30am

For registered childminders only

Delivered in local schools - School iool Readiness

Partnership working

Around Poplar

10-11.30am

Immunisation Clinic UO Healthy Child Start for Life 9am-5pm

9.15am-5pm NHS Talking Therapies Employment Service UO

During holidays, children under 11 are able to attend this session

Baby Massage including Starting Solids **UD** Last Wednesday of the month For pre-crawlers only 10am-12noon

Chrisp Street

9-11.45am Clinic UO Healthy Child Start for Life

0-11.30am

Play and Connect

0-19 Appointments UO 1-4pm Health room



Opening times: Monday - Friday, 15am-5pm

sle of Dogs Family Hub

9.30am-1pm

Health Visitor Clinic 🗸

10-11.30am

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Sunday Saturday Friday Wednesday Thursday uesday Closed 9am-2pm 9.15am-6pm 9.15am-7pm 9.15am-5pm 9.15am-7pm

12.30-2pm and Play 11.30am-1pm

Play Plus ®

minutes before the end.

THURSDAY Isle of Dogs

9.15am-5pm Therapy UO Speech and Language

Drop-in 9.30-11.30am Healthy Child Start for Life

Baby Massage 🖼 🖥

9 Appointments UM

L30-3pm xplore and Connect Stay and

4-5.30pm Play ® Matt

Around Poplar

9.15am-5pm Intervention UO

9.15am-5pm Docklands Outreach Family

9.45-10.45am Antenatal Class UC

SEND Coffee Morning UM For parents of children with

Communication Stay 10-11.30am additional needs

are able to attend this session and Play U 1.30-2.30pm During holidays, children under 11

Play and Connect Um

Chrisp Street

Active Stay and Play U 10-11.30am

For pre-crawlers only Sensory Play for Bables U L30-3pm

My Time 1-2-1 Support 🚳

SATURDAY

Isle of Dogs



FRIDAY

Isle of Dogs

Midwife Team UO Clinic - Community

9am-5pm

Learning through Play U
During holidays, children under
are able to attend this session 10-11.30am

Starting Solids USES
For pre-crawlers only 1.30-2.30pm

2.30-3.30pm

3-6pm For pre-crawlers only Solids Club including Starting

Streets of Growth

Around Poplar

9.30am-4pm 3-4 Months Health Review UO 10-11.30am For under 2s

Partnership working Delivered in local schools - School School Readiness USB

10-11.30am

Education Psychology @

During holidays, children under 11 are able to attend this session Active Stay and Play regulation and sleep Workshops around emotional L30-3pm

Chrisp Street

10-11.30am

Learning through Play 12-3pm

21 March, 11 April 17 January, 21 February, L30-3pm Toilet Training Workshop

Starting Solids last Friday of the month 2.30-3.30pm Starting Solids U For pre-crawlers only 1.30-2.30pm

Children and Family Centres

and play a major part in early identification and and targeted services, support with any concerns provide access to a range of universal young people and their families. They Children and Family Centres aim to improve outcomes for all children,

What are our aims

- To support parents in their role as first
- To empower families to access a wide range of care, play and support services
- To be a centre for joined-up services with

What are our priorities?

- Health and wellbeing
- Parenting confidence and capacity Childcare and employment
- Child development and school readiness

Can I use my Children and Family

 Children living within the borough of Tower on your postcode

Children living in the South East locality (based

We prioritise families using the following order:

 After 30 minutes the drop in play sessions are open to all families living in the borough.



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 2013 and 31 August 2014	31 October 2024
Primary admissions For children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021	15 January 2025
Nursery admissions For children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022	16 February 2026

Complete your application online at www.eadmissions.org.uk



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 an EHCP and you do not apply online. Contact the SEN team 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.







Places Available!

Do you have or know someone with a child born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022?

Apply now via <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>

They can start with us in September 2025





DID YOU KNOW?

We also offer places to rising 3-year-olds to start nursery a term after turning 3 years old!

Please contact the school office on 020 7538 4925 or email admin@bygrove.org.uk

Click the link below for more information

Nursery admissions 2025

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Hall Hire

Price: £60 per hour £50 deposit required at booking and only refundable after the event.

Availability:

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Facilities:

Car Park Space: 6 cars maximum. X8 double tables with benches attached.

X40 chairs

Use of warming ovens but no cooking allowed.

Playground use up to 8pm (no high heels allowed on the soft surface). Toilet facilities.

Speakers: laptop access to surround sound system.

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







