



The Byword



10th October 2025

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Key Dates

- Thursday 16th October: Individual and Sibling Photos/ Black History Month Theme Menu
- Wednesday 22nd October: Y5 Performance - **2pm**
- Thursday 23rd October: Flu Vaccinations
- Friday 24th October: Last day of Term - **3:30pm finish**

Dear Bygrove Parents and Carers,

What an exciting week it's been at Bygrove which ended with a clash of empires and a visit from our friends at Stebon.

The highlight of the week has to be the fantastic history unit that culminated this afternoon with an epic battle! Our Year 3 Bygrove Celts were invaded by the Year 3 Stebon School Romans. It was a hard-fought and enthusiastic clash that ended exactly as it should—with smiles, handshakes and a love for history! It's wonderful to see the children bringing their learning to life with such energy.

This week, our staff took part in training led by Bradley to introduce a brand new PE curriculum. The team is incredibly keen to start delivering this exciting new programme. As part of our School Improvement Plan this year, we're committed to ensuring all children access and excel in a range of sports, with the ultimate goal being for them to live lives that are happy because they are healthy. Physical development is so vital for our children's overall wellbeing.

We have big plans to involve you, our parents and carers, in this year's vision. In the meantime, you can already support your child's love of sport by signing them up for one of our after-school sports clubs. We still have spaces available in the Phase 1 and Phase 2 football clubs, which are open to both boys and girls.

A huge thank you to the Year 5 and Year 6 parents who attended the residential trip meeting on Tuesday. The excitement for the adventure is already starting to build! We can't wait for the children to develop essential life skills like resilience, teamwork and problem-solving through this fantastic adventure learning experience.

Finally, next week, Akosua and I will be carrying out a history learning walk across the school. We are really looking forward to seeing our fantastic history curriculum in action and observing the engaging ways the children are exploring the past.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes,

Fiona



Paper copies of the Byword are available from the office.

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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.



Our whole school attendance target for this year:
97.00%

Attendance for the week beginning Monday 29th September 2025 - Friday 3rd October 2025 (Rec-Y6):
97.88%

Year	Attendance
Nursery	96.14%
Reception	97.00%
Year 1	96.33%
Year 2	99.31%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	98.67%
Year 5	99.31%
Year 6	94.56%

Last week's attendance

Y3: 100%

Well done Y3!



After School Clubs

Our Ad-Hoc Clubhouse sessions and Breakfast Club provision for the autumn term started from Wednesday 3rd September 2025.

All other clubs will start from Monday 8th September 2025. To sign up, please log on to your ParentPay accounts. The clubs will be live on ParentPay by 3pm on Friday 5th September 2025!

The clubs available will be:

After School Clubs - Autumn 2025

Each club costs **£19.50 for the term**. The price for the Cooking Club and Gardening Club is **£22.00** due to the sessions being longer and the additional resources required. Breakfast Club will cost **£1.00 per day** and Ad-Hoc Clubhouse sessions will cost **£2.50 per day**.

Mondays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Tuesdays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Phase 2 Football Club	Years 4 - Year 6	3:45 - 4:45	9 spaces remaining
Wednesdays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Phase 1 Football Club	Year 1 - Year 3	3:45 - 4:45	13 spaces remaining
Thursdays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Cooking Club (£22 per term)	Years 1 - Year 6	3:45 - 5:00	No spaces remaining
Fridays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome



LANGUAGE ANGELS



This week's word is:

"Flor" – which means **"Flower"**

Try using it at home and in school!

Lost and found reminder

A reminder that your child must have their names on their school uniform.

We have many items without names in the lost and found. We will be setting out a table in the main playground at the end of each day on the last week of term with all the lost and found clothes. Please feel free to come and see if they belong to your children.



Flu Vaccine

A reminder that there will be optional flu vaccinations happening in school on Thursday 23rd October 2025.

Please use this link if you wish to sign your child up for the vaccine:
<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/towerhamlets>

Consent must be completed for every child,

Individual and Sibling Photos



On Thursday 16th October, children will be having their individual and siblings photos taken.

Please make sure your child comes in wearing their correct uniform.

Bygrove Pupil Leadership 2025-2026

Zone Managers

Khadeeja
Mariam
Tayeba
Liyana
Azam
Tarique
Madiha
Salma
Elias
Madeha
Hafsah
Léo

Asiyah
Aahil
Tobias
Umme
Eliza
Bushra
Rafan
Aisha
Naila
Arham
Ayla
Dielli



Dining Hall Helpers

Iradat
Zakariya R
Yaqub A
Hamja
Khaleel
Osman
Zayna
Ella
Farha
Adam C
Aiza Afrin
Musa H K
Aleena
Jumana
Aiza Alam
Arafat
Musa A
Akilah

Nuha
Zahra
Arshad
Whan
Iqra
Maira
Aahil
Dielli
Nuaim
Arc-en-ciel
Léo
Saihan
Nusaiba
Hermes
Arafat
Farha
Riyad

Gardeners

Jaleel
Ahiyan
Madeha
Bushra
Léo
Aahil
Iradat
Bisma

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4		CORRECT 49	WRONG 1	TOTAL Q. 50	#TIME (MM:SS) 11:47
5		CORRECT 48	WRONG 2	TOTAL Q. 50	#TIME (MM:SS) 16:30
6		CORRECT 47	WRONG 3	TOTAL Q. 50	#TIME (MM:SS) 8:10



Congratulations to Mayameen (Y3) who participated in a National Abacus Challenge and performed remarkably well!

She ranked 6th internationally completing 50 sums in 8 mins 10 secs.





Stars Of The Week

Year 1

Eesah

Year 2

Bisma & Zareen

Year 3

Daris

Year 4

Saihan

Year 5

Khadeeja

Year 6

Aliah

HANDWRITING HEROES

YEAR 1: RAEESA

YEAR 2: KAZIOMAR

YEAR 3: AIZA AFRIN

YEAR 4: FARHA

YEAR 5: ARYAN

YEAR 6: LORIN





Mathletics

MATHLETICS WINNERS

1ST: Y3 - 30,986 POINTS

2ND: Y2 - 16,533 POINTS

3RD: Y4 - 9,976 POINTS

**TOP STUDENT AT BYGROVE
THIS WEEK:**

**Y3 - UMME
6,035 POINTS**

Year 1

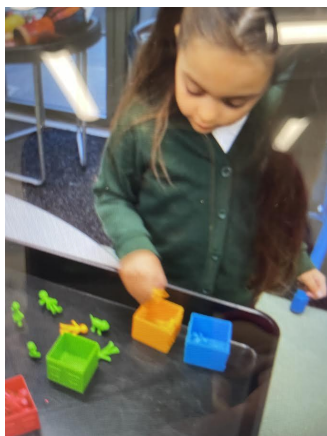
Year 1 have been learning about greater than, less than and equal to. We used the crocodile symbols to help us understand which is greater than and less than.



Year 4



This week Year 4 have been building their stamina and recording their running speed in PE this week. They have shown great determination and enthusiasm, encouraging one another to keep going and beat their personal bests. Working in small groups, they timed each other, offered support and celebrated each other's achievements. It's been fantastic to see their teamwork, resilience and sportsmanship grow with every session.

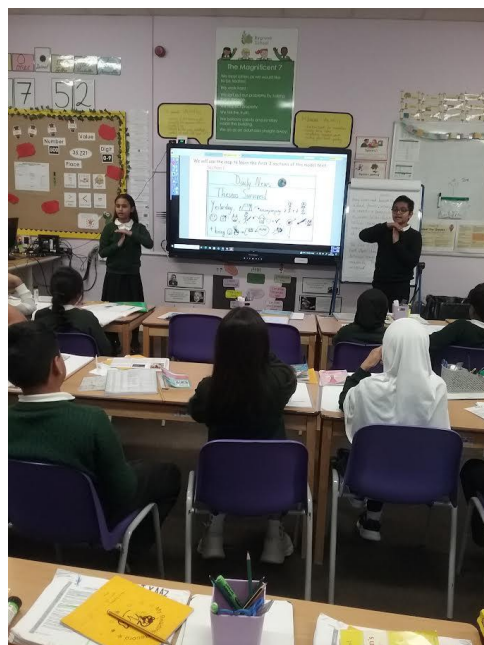


The SLS children worked on their re-telling of Elmer story. Look what we have made from our plastic milk bottles! We used our fine motor skills to sort out different colours to make Elmer and worked on our colourful number line from 1-10.



Year 5

In Year 5, they have been learning the new model text about a recount.





Black History Month Menu

Thursday, 16 October 2025

**Caribbean Brown Chicken Stew
or**

**Jerk Sweet Potato
& Vegetable Curry**

**All with
Rice & Peas**

**Green Cabbage & Sweetcorn
Chef's House Salad & Coleslaw**

**Followed By
Fruit & Yogurt
Seasonal Fruit Platter**



Fantastic FOOD IN SCHOOLS

Bygrove Pupil Vacancies



Did you know we have pupil vacancies at Bygrove? If you have a child or know someone who might be interested, please apply, share and join our waiting list!

Nursery admissions 2026 For children born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023	52 spaces available for 2026/27 apply online via the eadmissions portal
Reception admissions 2026 For children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022	30 spaces available for 2026/27 apply online via the eadmissions portal
Nursery admissions 2025 For children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022	10 spaces available for 2025/26 apply online via the Parent Portal
Current Year 2 admissions For children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019	1 space available! Apply via the Parent Portal
Current Year 5 admissions For children born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016	1 space available! Apply via the Parent Portal
Current Year 6 admissions For children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015	1 space available! Apply via the Parent Portal

If we are currently full in other year groups, please still apply to join our waiting list via the [Parent Portal](#). For more information about in-year admissions visit [LBTH in-year admissions](#).

For more information about all admissions in Tower Hamlets visit [LBTH school admissions](#).

Contact the admissions service directly for more information

Email: school.admissions@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Telephone: 020 7364 5006

Late applications will be accepted so please apply now and share with family and friends!

We also offer places to rising 3-year-olds to start nursery a term after turning 3 years old. Please spread the word and tell them to apply ASAP! They can apply via: the [Parent Portal](#)



NURSERY

Places Available!

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

Apply now via the [Parent Portal](#)

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! They can start in January 2026 or April 2026.

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](#)

Half term swimming crash courses

Get a head start with swimming this October half term with our short, intensive swim crash courses at Mile End, Tiller and York Hall leisure centres. Perfect for:

- ✓ Beginners needing extra support
- ✓ Building confidence during half term
- ✓ Trying out our fantastic swimming lessons

- 📅 27-31 October
- 🕒 Daily 30-minute lessons
- 👧 For ages 4+
- 👥 Small class sizes for focused learning

This course is open to everyone, and our friendly teachers are in the pool with beginners to provide support and make learning fun! Secure your child's spot today!

**Book your
place today!**

