



The Byword



Friday 3rd July 2026

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Key Dates

- Monday 6th July 2026: Meet The Teacher Day
- Wednesday 15th July 2026: Y6 Ben Kinsella Knife crime workshop
- Wednesday 15th July 2026: YR Graduation
- Thursday 16th July 2026: Y6 Leavers Parent Show
- Friday 17th July 2026: Parent Celebration Day & End of Year Reports
- Friday 17th July 2026: Last day of Term - **All children finish 1:30pm**
- Tuesday 1st September: **INSET Day - School Closed**
- Wednesday 2nd September: **INSET Day - School Closed**
- Thursday 3rd September: Back to school for returning Nursery pupils, full-time new Nursery pupils, Reception to Year 6 children (start dates for part-time new Nursery children will be confirmed by the EYFS team)
- Friday 25th September: We Belong At Bygrove 2026 - **Children finish 2:30pm**

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant week it has been at Bygrove!

First, I want to say a massive thank you to everyone who came along to support our Summer Fair last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the sunshine and coming together to make it such a vibrant community event. This year's fair was particularly special - and a little bittersweet - as it marked the very last Summer Fair for Sharon, who will be retiring at the end of this term. Thank you, Sharon, for everything you have done for our school community over the years; you will be sorely missed!

We haven't let the post-fair energy slow us down, and it has been another incredibly busy and exciting week for our pupils. Year 4 and Year 5 were lucky enough to be invited to Mile End Stadium by Bishop Challoner School to take part in an epic inflatable sports day, showing fantastic teamwork and energy. Meanwhile, our youngest adventurers in Nursery braved the big wide world and headed to Greenwich Park for a lovely sunny picnic where they were an absolute credit to the school.

The fun and preparation for the future continue next week. On Monday, is Meet The Teacher Day when the children will get to meet their new teaching teams and spend the day settling into their new classrooms. We will officially inform parents of the new class teams at the end of the day on Monday. Finally, our Year 6 pupils are continuing to work incredibly hard rehearsing their upcoming performance of The Greatest Showman, and we can already tell it is going to be a spectacular show!

Thank you all for your continued support as we head into these final, busy weeks of the school year. Have a wonderful and relaxing weekend.

Warm regards,

Fiona

Headteacher



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.



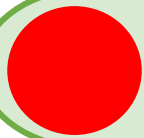
Exceptional!
100%



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 22nd June 2026 -
26th June 2026 (Rec-Y6):

95.1%

Year	Attendance
Nursery	91.8%
Reception	91.3%
Year 1	99.3%
Year 2	95.2%
Year 3	92.2%
Year 4	96.5%
Year 5	95.7%
Year 6	95.9%

Last week's attendance

Y1: 99.3%

**Well done
Year 1!**

**Paper copies of the
Byword are available
from the office.**

After School Clubs

We are excited to launch our club provision for the summer term, which will begin on Tuesday 14th April 2026. Ad-Hoc Clubhouse sessions and Breakfast Club will also be starting from Tuesday 14th April 2026.

The clubs will be live on ParentPay by 3pm on Friday 27th March 2026!
To sign up, please log on to your [ParentPay](#) accounts.

The clubs available will be:

After School Clubs - Summer 2026

Each club costs **£19.50 for the term**. The price for the Cooking Club and Gardening Club are **£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	4 spaces remaining
Wednesdays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome
Gardening Club (£22 per term)	Years 1 - Year 6	3:45 - 5:00	15 spaces remaining
Phase 2 3v3 Basketball	Years 3 - Year 6	3:45 - 4:45	12 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	0 spaces remaining
Fridays			
Clubhouse	Nursery - Year 6	3:45 - 5:30	All welcome





Mathletics

MATHLETICS WINNERS

1ST: Y3 - 34,427 POINTS

2ND: Y6 - 13,177 POINTS

3RD: Y1 - 11,629 POINTS

**TOP STUDENT AT BYGROVE
THIS WEEK:**

SHIAM MOHAMED - Y6

12,567 POINTS

HANDWRITING HEROES

YEAR R: MIRAN

YEAR 1: AIYLA

YEAR 2: ZAHRA

YEAR 3: UMME

YEAR 4: ZAKARIYA H

YEAR 5: HANA





Stars Of The Week

Year R

Nabil + Sara

Year 1

Zara

Year 2

Mahnoor

Year 3

Aiyla

Year 4

Naira

Year 5

Whole Class

LANGUAGE ANGELS



This week's word is:

“arcoíris” which means **“rainbow”**

Try using it at home and in school!

Talking Points

Develop Oracy with your child by having a discussion using these talking points 

Three simple rules:

- Ask good questions (stay curious),
- Commit to listening &
- Enjoy the discussion!



Start by asking your child the question, and listen to the answer, remembering to reflect back what they are saying so they know you understand.

Express your opinions; children are often curious what parents think.

Just be sure that you listen first, and that you listen more than you talk.

If your shadow could talk, what do you think it would say?



What would a perfect world be like?



What's the strangest thing about how people lived in the past?



Should there be a limit on how much one person can own?





Parent Workshops



Connecting Communities

Session	Date
Using your device	Monday 27th April 2026
Online Safety	Monday 18th May 2026
Email	Monday 8th June 2026
Accessing school related websites	Monday 22nd June 2026
Accessing Local & Financial Services	Monday 13th July 2026

Please note:

All sessions will take place from 9:00am - 10.00am in the staffroom at Bygrove.





PARENT CELEBRATION DAY

Friday 17th July 2026

Where: Main Playground

When: before school

Thank you to all our parents who have supported us throughout this academic year. Feel free to join us as we celebrate with cold drinks and pastries!



BYGROVE
PRIMARY SCHOOL
OUR FIRST EVER
SCHOOL DISCO!

LEAD BY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Music & Mixing by:

**DJ
BRADLEY**



Leading the Dancefloor:

**DANCING
QUEEN
AKOSUA**



*Ice Cream &
Popcorn*

Will be provided



Got a
favourite song?
Request a playlist
of your class!



Date: Monday 13th July



Time: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM



Location: Main School Hall



Who: Open to all years! (EYFS to Year 6)



Tickets: Only £1!



Please buy tickets in advance.
Children must be collected by an adult at 5:00 PM



Back to school

Get ready for the new academic year.

You can buy school bags through ParentPay www.parentpay.com and pick them up from the school office.

Each book bag is **£5**.



Y6 Secondary Transition

If your child will be attending a Year 6 Secondary Transition day, please contact the school office to let us know in advance.

Proof of the transition day must be emailed to admin@bygrove.org.uk or brought to the school office directly.

If you don't inform us in advance, please call the school office on 020 7538 4925 by 9am on the day of your child's absence.



Holiday Childcare Scheme

Ages
3-13
years old

The Tower Hamlets Childcare Scheme offers Ofsted registered childcare.

020 7364 0523

www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs

Summer scheme
Monday 27 July to
Friday 21 August
2026
(20 days)

Bookings
now open



Our mud kitchen is a place for fun, creativity and learning!

CAN YOU HELP OUR MUD KITCHEN?

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you have any unwanted kitchen items at home, we would be **so grateful** for donations of:

Every little donation makes a big difference!



Pots



Pans



Wooden spoons



Spoons & utensils



Mixing bowls



Cake tins



Muffin trays



Measuring jugs



Baking trays

...and any other old kitchen bits and bobs!

♥ Please make sure items are clean and safe for children to use. Thank you!

THE EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS OF MUD KITCHENS



Encourages creativity and imagination



Develops communication and language skills



Promotes sharing, cooperation and teamwork



Strengthens fine motor skills through scooping, pouring, mixing and stirring



Explores maths and science concepts such as measuring, textures and problem-solving



Supports sensory play and builds confidence outdoors



THANK YOU for your continued support!
Together, we can create wonderful play and learning experiences! ♥

Summer Fair

What a fantastic day! Bygrove's annual Summer Fair last Friday was filled with sunshine, laughter, and happiness. It was wonderful to see the hall and playground buzzing as children enjoyed the bouncy castles, games, and the crowd-favorite tradition of splashing their teachers with wet sponges. There were many activities for children and adults to take part in such as face painting, henna and tin can throwing



An event like this isn't possible without a brilliant team behind it. A huge thank you to all the volunteers, staff, and helpers who gave up their time, from planning weeks beforehand to setting up early on the day. Your hard work made the event a massive success for our children!



Our goal this year was to raise £1800. We nearly achieved this by raising raising **a total of £1,441.69!** We collected money to enhance the resources for our children in school.

Jake from Reception won the teddy from the summer fair because he guessed it's name correctly! This awesome bear was called 'Stella'.



Many families were lucky enough to win prizes in the raffle which was run by Sherin and Vicky.



Winners

1st - Summer hamper: Humaira (Y6)

2nd - Nintendo Switch: Daria (YN)

3rd - Foot Massager: Mehrish (YR)



Tilda Pure Basmati Rice 10KG - Umor (YN), Mariam (Y1) and Mehrish (YR)
Vegetable Oil 5lt - Kaziomar (Y2) and Amaanah (YN)

Leyton Orient goodie bags - Ibrahim (YR), Manha (Y2) and Daisy (YN)

Leyton Orient Rain Coat - Aurora (YN)

Art set - Mariam (Y1)

Tapple - Abir (YN)

'Sort it out' game - Daisy (YN)

Popular Science - Safir (YN)

Pokemon Puzzle - Mihran (YR)

Jeweller set - Miran (YR)

Organik Pamper set - Alyssa (Y6)

Roald Dahl Book Set- Aleena (Y3)

Squish laptop case - Alyssa (Y6)

Snakes and Ladders - Daisy (YN)

Pokemon Puzzle - Jake (YR)

Aurora Lamp - Humaira (Y6)

Chess set - Zayaan (YR)

Peppa Pig Set - Oriana - (YN)

Catventures - Abir (YN)

Dig kit - Ibrahim (YR)

Pants/Snort/Farts Book Set - Yasin (YR)

Calm Set - Aurora (YN)

Aurora Floral Burner - Zaydan (Y1)



Reception

This week, we have been reading *How to Be in Space* and have been getting creative about space! We worked together to create our own universe, used lids as craters, and made planets using papier-mache.

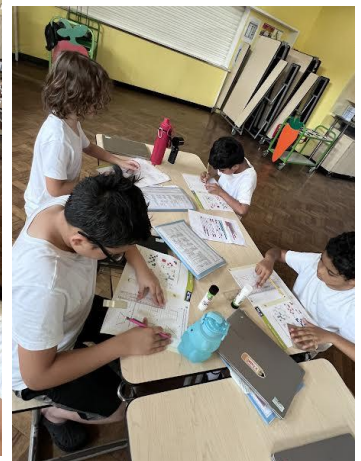
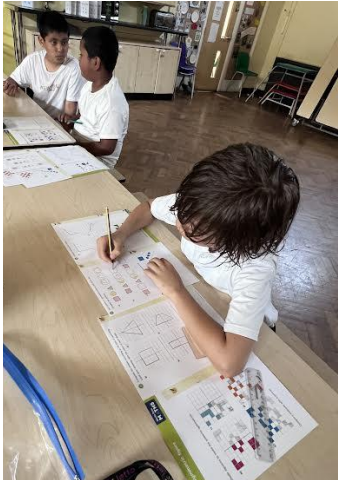


We also enjoyed a hands-on sensory investigation with oobleck.



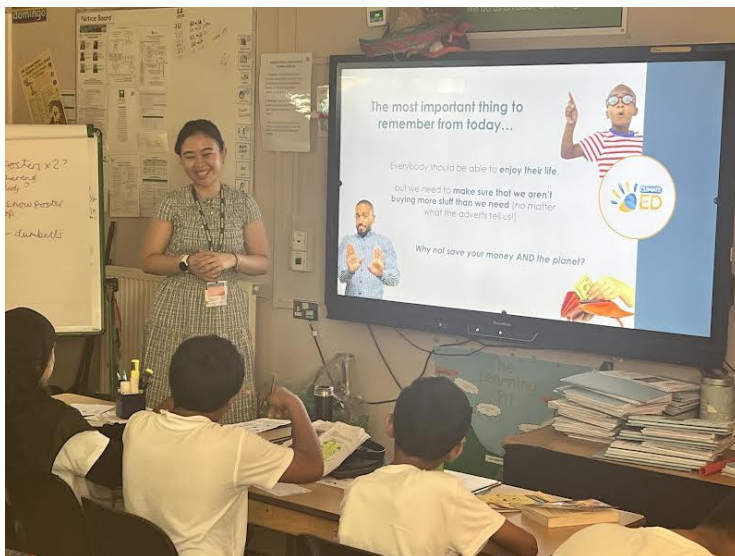
Year 4

This week our Year 4 learners investigated lines of symmetry, identified symmetrical shapes and created their own beautiful symmetrical designs. Fantastic teamwork, creativity and mathematical thinking on display!



Year 6

Last week, Year 6 had Thalita Cahyani come in and run 2 sessions with us. Thalita worst at Erst and Young, but volunteers for a charity called Climate Ed where she visits schools, teaching about how young people can protect the environment. She did one session on the carbon cost of the food we eat, and another on the impact of all the things we buy!

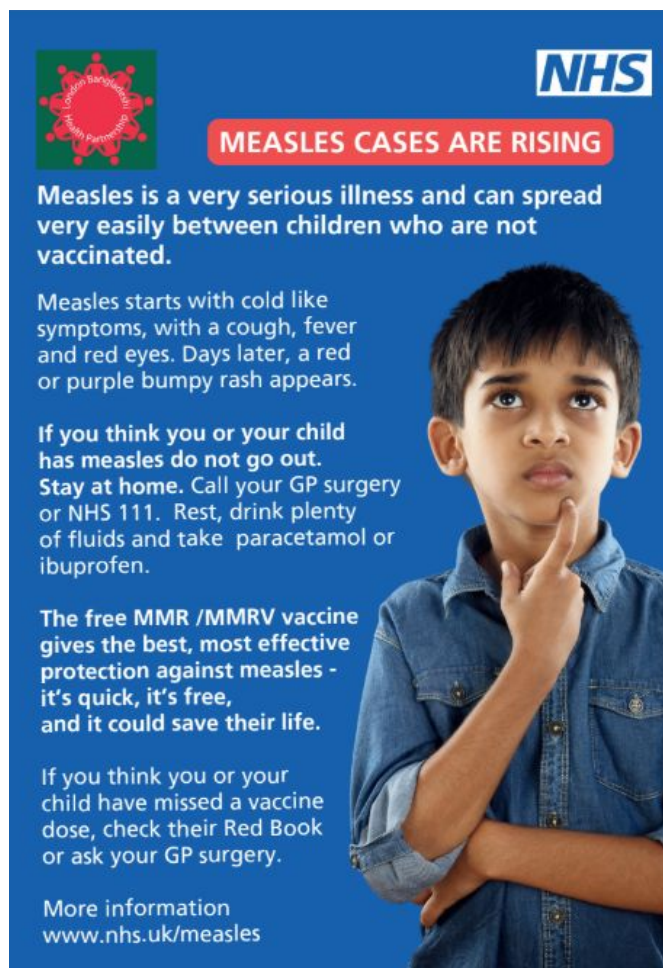


Measles outbreak in Bangladesh

There is currently a measles outbreak in Bangladesh affecting thousands of people, with most cases reported in young children under the age of five.

If you are planning to travel this year, please ensure that your child's vaccinations are up to date. Having two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine is the most effective way to protect your child and help prevent the spread of measles.

Parents and carers are encouraged to check their child's vaccination record. If you or your child has missed one or both doses of the MMR vaccine, please contact your general practitioner (GP) practice.



The poster features a blue background. In the top left corner is a red circular icon with a white virus-like structure. In the top right corner is the NHS logo. A red banner with white text reads 'MEASLES CASES ARE RISING'. Below this, white text states: 'Measles is a very serious illness and can spread very easily between children who are not vaccinated.' Further down, it says: 'Measles starts with cold like symptoms, with a cough, fever and red eyes. Days later, a red or purple bumpy rash appears.' A section of text follows: 'If you think you or your child has measles do not go out. Stay at home. Call your GP surgery or NHS 111. Rest, drink plenty of fluids and take paracetamol or ibuprofen.' Another section states: 'The free MMR /MMRV vaccine gives the best, most effective protection against measles - it's quick, it's free, and it could save their life.' Below that, it says: 'If you think you or your child have missed a vaccine dose, check their Red Book or ask your GP surgery.' At the bottom left, it provides 'More information' and the website 'www.nhs.uk/measles'. On the right side of the poster is a photograph of a young boy with dark hair, wearing a blue denim shirt, looking upwards with his hand near his chin in a thoughtful pose.

NHS

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If you think you or your child have missed a vaccine dose, check their Red Book or ask your GP surgery.

More information
www.nhs.uk/measles

Further information is available via measles information on the National Health Service (NHS) website.

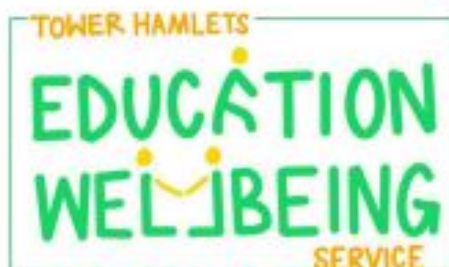
THE GREATEST SHOWMAN



We're thrilled to invite you to watch Y6 perform
in **THE GREATEST SHOWMAN!** Join us for an
unforgettable show on the following date:

Thursday 16th July 2:15

We look forward to seeing you there!



JOIN US FOR AN UPCOMING PARENT WORKSHOP

**The Tower Hamlets
Education Wellbeing Service
(THEWS) are hosting a workshop
at Bygrove Primary School**

**Thursday 16th July 2026
9am-10am**

**Parent Workshop
(Wellbeing and Sleep)**



Bygrove
School

JOIN THE BYGROVE GARDENING CLUB

£22 per
term-
Limited
Spaces!

Our gardening club teaches children valuable life skills, including responsibility through plant care, patience while waiting for growth, and nutrition awareness. It boosts physical development and promotes science and math skills, such as measuring, counting, and observing life cycles.

Every
Wednesday
3:45pm-5:00pm

For Years 1-6

Log into ParentPay to sign up!

Contact the school
office for any
questions

0207 538 4925



Girls Football Sessions

Empowering the next generation of players



We are pleased to offer a fantastic opportunity for girls across the borough to take part in a **free 1-hour football session** at Mile End Leisure Centre on the 3G Astro pitches.

 **Day/Time: Friday, 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

 *Delivered by qualified coach Rayhan Noor, Tower Hamlets Girls Football Coach.*

Register Today!

Click the link below to secure your spot:

[Register Here](#)



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
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 3 admissions For children born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018	2 spaces 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	2 spaces 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 2022 and 31 August 2023?

Apply now via the [Parent Portal](#)

They **can start** with us in **September 2026**



**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 2026](#)