

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely start to the new school year and we would like to thank all our parents and carers for the warm support you have shown. It has been wonderful to see the children coming in so happily each morning, ready to learn and eager to take on new challenges. We have also really appreciated catching up with so many of you at the gates and around school during these first few weeks.

We are delighted to share that our pupil voice roles have now been elected. Congratulations to all the children who will be representing their peers as Eco Warriors, Learning Council, School Council, Vice School Council, Playground Advocates, Lunch Bunch, Charity Advocates, Prefects and Library Monitors. We are very excited to work with them this year. Some of them are already busy at work – for example, our Charity Leaders who have been collecting donations at the gates for the Roald Dahl charity. The children looked wonderful dressed as their favourite book characters and we thank you for your generous contributions to such a worthy cause.

It was also lovely to see so many of you at the curriculum meetings for Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6, both in person during the mornings and online in the evenings. These meetings are such a valuable way of strengthening the partnership between home and school, and we really appreciate the time you have given. Next week, we look forward to welcoming parents and carers of children in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 to their curriculum meetings.

Looking ahead, we are excited to be taking part in Jeans for Genes Day on Friday 19th September 2025. This event will be led by our School Council. Children are invited to wear jeans with their school jumper and bring in a £1 donation to support the charity. Our School Council members will be at the gates in the morning to collect contributions, and we look forward to seeing the school community come together once again in support of such a worthwhile cause.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,
Patrick Mbanga
Head of School



Diary Dates

15th September: Year 3 parent curriculum meeting (9am-10am) online at 7pm

16th September: Year 4 parent curriculum meeting (9am-10am) online at 7pm

18th September: FOSS Welcome event

18th September: Photography and Art Exhibition

19th September: Jeans for Genes Day—£1 donation. Children can wear jeans with school jumpers

19th September: Year 5 parent curriculum meeting (9am-10am) online at 7pm

22nd September: Start of Readathon

26th September: National teaching assistant day

26th September: Interschool water colour / sketching competition—Years 3,4,5 &6

26th September: Phonics Coffee morning— Reception parents (9am-10am)

26th September: Charity event—MacMillan Cancer Support—after school event. Donations of cakes for a sale are welcome.

Absences

If your child is going to be absent, please inform the office by 9.30am on the day of absence.

Absences can now also be reported using the MCAS app.

Breakfast club and Acorn club

For parents who wish to contact Breakfast club and Acorn club please use this number:

07716791490

The phone should be available from 7.15 - 8.45am & 3.30-6pm.

Parent reminder: All wraparound payments should be made in advance of the club commencing.

Class attendance % week ending 12th September 2025—Well done Pine Class with 100% this week

Class	%	Class	%
Ash	89.4	Teak	97.8
Magnolia	95.2	Cedar	94.8
Sycamore	96	Cypress	94.3
Fir	94	Hawthorn	99.5
Larch	94.3	Aspen	91.9
Rowan	95	Beech	98.6
Lime	93.8	Hazel	92.3
Pine	100	Juniper	95.7
Poplar	90.5	Maple	94.1
Elder	96.2	Redwood	90
Olive	98.5		

Our Communication Strategy

Monday - Office Communication day - office will send reminders and updates to parents, highlighting key dates in the school calendar.

Tuesday - Teachers' communication day about trips or events. This will have at least 7 days' notification. The office will send information on behalf of teachers. Teachers will still respond to parents via emails.

Wednesday- Phase leaders' communication regarding major phase events or reinforcing school policy or procedures.

Thursday - Leadership information to parents for items intended to stand out and away from newsletter

Friday - Newsletter, flyers and office letters

Class	Caught being kind	Star of the week	Researcher
Ash	Tommy	Sophia	Harris
Magnolia	Maxim	Elsa	Yevhan
Sycamore	Lola	Amber	Camilla
Fir	Laith	William	Samuel
Larch	Neve	Zuzanna	Gryff
Rowan	Maheera	Maggie	Oliver
Lime	Hamza	Poppy	Ava
Pine	Jules	Sienna	Alfie
Poplar	Jacob	Freya	Liv
Olive	Zaina	Bailey	Isla
Elder	Najat	Arthur	Cem
Teak	Qainaat	Ethan	Neel
Hawthorn	Adam	Amayah	Abeera
Cedar	George	Bella	Angelica
Cypress	Mia	Mizanur	Arlo
Aspen	Ava	Jessica	Mohamed
Beech	Emelia	Aschelya	Ruby
Hazel	Jayla	Eugenie	Khalid
Juniper	Charlie	Amelie	Stanley
Maple	Thalia	Ben	Laiba
Redwood	Greta	Joselyn	Stefan

School Term dates 2025 -2026

Autumn Term:

Monday 1st September 2025 to Friday 19th December 2024

Friday 24th October 2025 INSET day

Half term holiday Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025

Christmas Holiday Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2025

Spring Term:

Monday 5th January 2026 to Friday 27th March 2026.

Monday 5th January 2026 INSET day

Half term holiday Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026.

Easter holiday Monday 30th March 2026 to Friday 10th April 2026.

Summer Term:

Monday 13th April 2026 to Monday 20th July 2026

Monday 13th April 2026 INSET day

Half term holiday Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026

Summer holiday Tuesday 21st July

You asked, we did...

At Selwyn Primary, we value the feedback from parents and are committed to making improvements based on your suggestions. Here's how we have responded to your requests :

You asked for a wider range of activities, especially sports, arts and music.

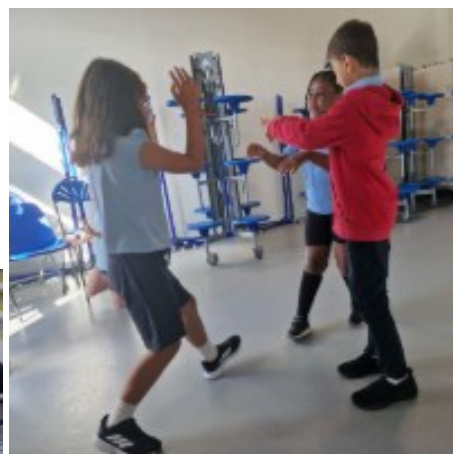
- Employed a new sports coach
- More school run sports clubs in the morning and afternoon
- Sports coach to run Elite Sports
- Selwyn Sports coach at lunchtimes developing sporting skills and identifying talent
- Our Superstar Sports staff now engage children in varied sporting games at lunchtimes.
- As part of the Waltham Forest Schools Sport Network, we have access to a wide range of sporting opportunities.
- Increased participation in inter school competitions, giving children more chances to compete and develop their skills.



We are committed to continuous improvement and welcome further feedback to help us provide the best possible education and experience for our students.

Lime Class - PE Lesson

This half term, Lime Class is looking at dance. They are creating a spooky dance to the song, Thriller by Michael Jackson. In our Monday PE lesson, the children were creating spooky poses they could use in their dance.



FRIENDS OF SELWYN SCHOOL PRESENTS...

BACK TO SCHOOL DRINKS!

We're a team of parent
volunteers running fun events
to raise funds and build our
school community.

We'd love to see new and
exisiting parents for a drink!

THURSDAY 18TH SEPT

7PM @ VINOTAP

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FRIENDS OF SELWYN SCHOOL PRESENT

Spooky DISCOS

**FRI
17 OCT**

PRICE	YEAR GROUP	TIME
£5.00	YR 1 & 2:	3.30 - 4.30

This ticket include, glow tattoos snacks & plenty of water.

£4.50	YR 3 & 4:	4.45 - 5.45
£4.50	YR 5 & 6:	6.00 - 7.00

This ticket includes glow tattoos & water. The TUCK SHOP will be open for the children to buy sweets/snacks with their pocket money.

BUY TICKETS ONLINE ONLY

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/SELWYNSCHOOL

ON SALE FROM 19TH SEPT - 3RD OCT.

NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER THAT DATE.

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