

DAVIES LANE PRIMARY

Friday 20th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have continued our focus on healthy living, which began during last week's Healthy Schools Week. It has been fantastic to see all the children—from Nursery to Year 6—actively participating in activities that promote health and wellbeing.

A particular highlight has been Sports Day. The children showed great enthusiasm and a wide range of sporting skills, from running, jumping, and throwing to some very entertaining wheelbarrow racing! A big thank you to all the parents who came along to support the event and to those who took part in the parents' races. Your involvement really helped make the days special.

As part of our ongoing commitment to being a Healthy School, we'd like to kindly remind parents not to bring sugary treats into school to celebrate birthdays. If you would like to mark your child's birthday in school, we encourage you to consider bringing a healthy alternative to share with the class.

Looking ahead to next week:

On Wednesday 25th June, we are delighted to invite Year 4 and Year 6 parents to our "Bring Your Parents to School Day" from 9:00 to 10:00am. We look forward to welcoming you into the classroom to see some of the wonderful learning taking place.

On Friday, Year 6 will be heading off on their residential visit to Osmington Bay. We hope the sunny weather continues and that they have an enjoyable and memorable experience.

With the current heatwave, please ensure your child has sun cream applied before arriving at school, brings a sun hat and carries a refillable water bottle each day. We will continue to remind children to stay hydrated and to rest in shaded areas during break and lunchtime.

Finally, please remember that as a school community we need to be considerate of each other, especially at the beginning and end of the day. Pedestrians need to use the pavements and the motorists, with permission to enter the School Street, need to drive carefully to ensure all the children are safe on their journey to and from school.

Thank you for your continued support.

KInd regards Rebecca Corderoy Acting Head of School Davies Lane Primary School



Steps to resolving concerns

There will be times when you need concerns resolved. For clarity, we have steps to support you.

Step 1

The first person to contact is your child's class teacher. If the concern is not resolved satisfactorily then move on to step

2.

Step 2

Your child's Phase leader is the next step, depending on the phase.

- Ms Olubitan Deputy Head Nursery and Reception
- Ms Chinyemba Assistant Head/Y1 and Y2 Phase Lead
 - Mr Harris Y3 and Y4 Phase Lead
 - Ms Hussain Assistant Head/ Y5 and 6 Phase Lead

If the concerns remain unresolved, move on to step 3.

Step 3 - Contact:

- Mr Bolt - SENCo and Designated Safeguarding Lead

- Ms Olubitan - Deputy Head

If the concern remains unresolved, move on to step 4.

Step 4

Contact the Acting Head of School - Ms Cordery

If the concern remains unresolved, move on to step 5.

Step 5 Contact the Executive Principal - Mr Cook.

Please note that we also have our complaints procedure on the website and can be found on the communication section of the Parents tab on the website

Year 4 Visit to the Young V&A - Bethnal Green

This week, all four Year 4 classes had an exciting and inspiring visit to the Young V&A Museum in Bethnal Green. From the moment we arrived, the children were immersed in a world of creativity, curiosity, and imagination.

We began our day exploring the history of computer gaming. Pupils were fascinated by how games have evolved over the decades – from pixelated classics to modern interactive adventures. Many were amazed to discover the early consoles that Mr Harris played on and how technology has transformed the way we play.

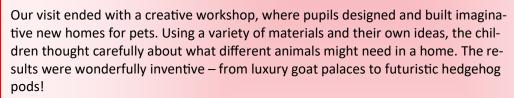
Afterwards, we tapped into our imaginations by creating

our very own board games, using just a simple set of prompts as a starting point. Each group brought their ideas to life through storytelling, design, and problem-solving. The children showed great teamwork and originality – it was wonderful to see how their ideas developed into fully playable games.



One of the highlights of the day was building giant marble runs. The children worked collaboratively, thinking carefully about structure, speed, and stability as they experimented with how to make their marbles travel the furthest and fastest. This handson activity sparked lots of excitement and determination.

The museum's dressing up area provided another chance for imaginations to run wild. With a wide range of costumes and accessories, the children transformed into everything from superheroes to historical figures – and some surprising combinations in between!



It was a day full of exploration, creativity, and joyful learning. The children were a credit to the school throughout – engaged, curious, and respectful. A huge thank you to the staff and volunteers at the Young V&A for providing such an enriching experience











FoDL Update

Who wants a £1 trip to Legoland? That's what a single Summer Raffle ticket could win for your family (of up to four). Your children will have come home with two books of tickets to sell, and we hope you've read the prize list.

- You could win the latest iPad too, or £250 worth of beauty treatments these are top tier prizes
- Give friends & fam a chance You'll have 10 tickets per child we'd appreciate any sales to people around you. Or splash out on 10 for yourself and max up your chances! Please send the cash into school with the children, or drop it off (with the stubs) at the school office.
- There's more where these came from. More tickets are ready for you at the school office, and we are adding more prizes each week - look out for our updates.

Grand draw. We will do the Grand Draw at the Summer Fair on Saturday 5 July.

Summer Fair - Saturday 5 July. We can't wait for this brilliant afternoon.

- Do your children dream of stardom? People love seeing acts on stage at the summer fair, it's become a tradition! There's space for you, your kids or anyone who'd like to raise a smile, lead a dance or show off their skills. Just give us a shout to let us know.
- Be part of the fun. Would you like to sell cakes, run a game, or serve up popcorn? These are just some of the jobs that will make people happy and really help us out. There are more - please message us.
- Donate treats, toys or more. If you can't make it on 5 July, any donation before then will still be fab. We rely on kind donations for stuff to sell on stalls: from toys, plants and bakes to catering supplies for our hot food stalls - it all helps!

Get in touch at FoDLnews@gmail.com

Thank you for your support through the year Best,

The FoDL Team

Charity leads taking food donation to the community fridge









Delilah in Year 1 donating to the community fridge



Connective Parenting NVR

Join us for our 6-week online Connective Family Formula course

Helping you to create a **calmer family home** with practical tips on how to improve connection.

You'll discover how to:

- Reduce the meltdowns and build your toolkit for managing challenging behaviours
- · Create a calmer and more connected home
- · Support your child to grow and develop emotionally
- Use supporters and self care to help you to help your child

How does it work?

- Each week there's a new pre-recorded training video to watch at a time that works for you
- Live weekly Q&A on Zoom, 7.30-8.30pm on 23rd and 30th April, 7th, 14th and 21st May and 4th June
- · Private Facebook Group for support throughout the course

There are limited places on this course. To book a space email:

Gemma.Akinade@walthamforest.gov.uk

This course is funded by Waltham Forest



Free Parent /Carer Webinar - Supporting Your Child's Mental Health & Wellbeing over the Summer

We're thrilled to invite you to our upcoming KoothTalks mental health information webinar.

This FREE, 45min session is designed for parents and carers in the borough of Waltham Forest who have children aged 10-25yrs and will take place Tuesday 8th July, 6.30pm -7.15pm.

What's it about?

The session will cover:

- An overview of how Kooth works as a mental health service
- Recognising Anxiety in Young People
- Supporting your Child's Mental Health and Well-being over the Summer Holidays
 Tips when talking to young people about their feelings

What's included?

- **Live webinar** for parents and carers
- Live ∩&A

A downloadable resource to help continue the learning experience.

How to sign up

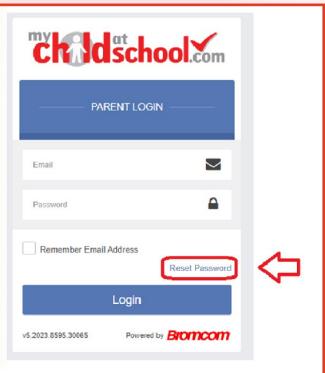
Secure your spot today by completing this booking form. You will find the meeting join link for the session within the booking form. But you will also receive it by email on the day before session.

Feel free to share this email with friends and family members who may be interested.

Reminder: Please make sure you have downloaded the MCAS App

We go live on the 30th June





Davies Lane Sports Day

We had a fantastic three days of Sports Day activities this week, with every year group taking part. Day 1 saw Nursery and Reception children enjoying fun races and team games. On Day 2, Years 1 to 3 took to the field, showing great effort in a variety of events including sprints, relays and throwing events. Finally, Years 4 to 6 competed on Day 3, with the afternoon dedicated to the Elite Finals, where some of our shining pupils took part in competitive races that proved very close!

Despite the hot weather, the children stayed positive, showed great teamwork, and encouraged one another throughout. It was brilliant to see everyone trying their best, developing new skills and supporting their friends. Staff and parents joined in too, helping to run events and cheering from the sidelines. A particular thank you goes to our school Sports Captains who helped with set up and pack down, to run events and keep score during the day - their leaderships skills are commendable.































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Look what you could win in the Friends of Davies Lane Summer Raffle!

TOP PRIZE - Apple iPad

SECOND PRIZE - up to £400 for four diners at Bar Valette THIRD PRIZE - Legoland, Windsor - family ticket, entry for four people

Raffle ticket holders can also win:

Food, drink & fun

- Fortnum & Mason Luxury wine hamper
- Homies on Donkeys £50 voucher
- Arch Deli £25 voucher
- Deeney's Cafe £30 voucher
- Unity Cafe £25 voucher
- Fillybrook bottle of wine
- Perky Blenders Coffee selection box

Star of Liverpool Street - Karaoke for 10 people

Max up your fab

- Facebox London beauty vouchers of £250, £150 & £100 (separate prizes)
- Studio 11 hairdressers £25 voucher
- Blueprint Fitness Four 1 month PT passes worth £149 each
- East London Fitness Hub Two class sessions (separate prizes)
- Studio M Reformer Pilates A five-class pass worth £110

Good Shepherd Studios - Community Pilates session with V Rock

Family good times

- Good Shepherd Studios Two cinema tickets
- Photojenic Moments Family photoshoot
- Discover Story Centre £60 voucher
- Little Sing Song Session for an adult and up to two children
- Jame Education Group Creative Writing tuition session

Jame Education - Maths, Logic & Reasoning tuition session

Home improvements

- Amazon Kindle, gen 11
- Amazon Fire 7 Tablet
- Mabel Rose Interiors half hour interior design consultation
- Jo & Kesi Gift bag full of surprises
- Donna Wilson Pillow
- Hooksmith Press Print

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Back to school' in September?

We are looking for people with specific skills to support Friends of Davies Lane in the next academic year. This could be an amazing way to support your children's school!

- **Communications** do you just like writing about what's going on? We need someone to connect with our community, letting them know the work we're doing, the fun people are having and the good stuff that comes as a result. From an instagram feed to this panel there's so much you could improve! Just ask to find out more.
- **Design** if you use apps like Canva or Powerpoint, you might enjoy doing our posters and shareable flyers. You can quickly make an impact and there's a whole committee to support you. Get in touch to talk it through.

Finance - We have a great treasurer but we need two to make this work! Your skills could help make the most of our funds. This is a commitment, but it's gentle on your time because it's a role-share. Do get in touch to discuss.

Find out more! For either of the above, message FoDLNews@gmail.com



Year 3 Trip to the Science Museum









Year 3 Trip to the Verulamium Museum







SOUNDCASTLE





Family Music Sessions

Summer term 2025 open to new families!

Interactive and inclusive musical play sessions for disabled & neurodivergent early years children (2-5 years old) with their adults & siblings!

WHEN?

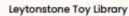
7 individual & 3 group sessions on Tuesday afternoons between:

6th May - 8th July 2025

WHAT TIME?

You will be allocated a 30 minute time slot between: 1.15-3.15pm

WHERE?



Birch Grove, London, Ell 4YG CONTACT!

To enquire/register, contact Lila:

lila@soundcastle.co.uk 07586 662754

IN LEYTONSTONE....

We also run these sessions at the Leytonstone toy library and still have spaces for the current term. Talk to us to enquire!







www.soundcastle.co.uk

** General Reminders **

Please remember that children should not be bringing toys, money, trading cards or other items to school. If these are lost it can cause a lot of upset.

Bicycles

Please remember to store your child's/ children's bicycle in the various designated bike shed.

Litter

Please do ensure that any litter is put in a bin or taken home with you. The gardens and bins in the surrounding houses should not be subjected to picking up the school communities litter. Let's create good citizens for the future and remind our children to use the bins provided.

Ensuring Our Children Are Full After Lunch

To support children in feeling full and satisfied after their lunch, we'd like to remind everyone about our lunch times:

If a child is still hungry after their main meal, they will be offered **Option 3**, which includes a choice of:

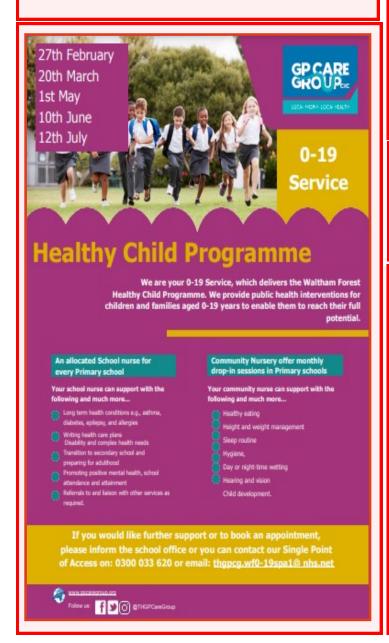
 Cheese or tuna sandwich/wrap, or Cheese or tuna jacket potato.

Children are also allowed:

• One dessert and one piece of fruit, or One yoghurt, one piece of fruit, and access to the salad bar.

Multiple desserts or yoghurts will not be permitted. We hope this ensures all children have the energy and nutrition they need to thrive during the school day.

Thank you for your continued support!



A Friendly Reminder: Healthy Packed Lunches, Please!

We kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that packed lunches brought to school are healthy and nutritious. A balanced lunch helps students stay energized and focused throughout the day.

Here are some great ideas for healthy packed lunches:

- Sandwiches or Wraps: Whole-grain bread or wraps with lean proteins like turkey, chicken, or hummus.
- Fruits and Vegetables: Apple slices, grapes, carrot sticks, cucumber slices, or cherry tomatoes.
- **Dairy or Dairy Alternatives**: Low-fat yogurt, cheese cubes, or plant-based alternatives.
- **Healthy Snacks:** rice cakes, or a small handful of popcorn.

Drinks: Water or unsweetened milk instead of sugary drinks.

Please remember that we are a nut free school.



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Nursery Drop in Session

The school nurse will be in school to meet with parents between 1 and 2 pm: on the 10th July 2025. Please feel free to attend any of the drop-in sessions below if you would like to discuss:

- Healthy eating
- Height & weight management
- Sleep routine
- Toilet training/bed wetting
- Hygiene
- Hearing & vision
- Child development

If you are unable to attend in person a phone call request can also be made.

Any further questions please get in contact with the Inclusion Team.

Diary Dates

23rd June: Assessment Week - KS1

SATs

23rd June: NFER (Y3, Y4) Y5 SATs 2022

23rd June: ECO WARRIORS - What is your contribution to sustainability and saving our planet? - Pollution reduction e.g. growing locally

23rd June: Spelling Bee - Heats in clas-

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23rd June One page Profile meetings with teachers and parents about their children's target and progress

24th June: NHS Parent coffee morning – Preparing for transition

25th June: Y4, Y6 Bring your parent to school morning (9:00-10:00) Parents are invited to join their children in classes to take part in guided learning sessions.

25th June: Year 1: Poplar & Oak: Trip to Sea Life Adventure. Please ensure you have signed the consent slip.

26th June: Ark Farm will be bringing animals to all the Reception classes.

27th – 30th June: Year 6 residential trip





Are you a parent/carer of a global majority*

Would you like to be involved in improving access to mental health services for children and young people from the global majority?

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- *What is the global majority?:
 Global Majority is a collective
- in replacement of 'BAME', 'ethnic minorities', 'people of colour'

wfmentalhealthsupportteam camhs@nelft.nhs.uk to express your interest

Caught Being Kind

Please find below the names of the children in each year group who are recognised for their kindness this week. Congratulations

Class	Star of the Week	Caught being kind
2YO Nursery	Eva	Elias
3YO Nursery	Eleni	Keegan
REC - Fir	Emily	Mariam
REC - Rowan	Kiswa	Danae
REC - Larch	Ravilious	Nancy
REC - Redwood	Shafiqah	Dylan
Y1- Pine	Madeliene	Rio
Y1 - Lime	Matthew	Delilah
Y1 - Poplar	Horia	Narimah
Y1 - Oak	Bonnie	Veronika
Y2 - Teak	Zion	Ruqayyah
Y2 -Chestnut	Danielle	Jean
Y2 -Elder	Muhammed	Saule
Y2 -Willow	Sophie	Halimah
Y3 -Spruce	Luca	Andy
Y3 - Palm	Amir B	Amane
Y3- Holly	Adriana	Anouk
Y3- Olive	Mobeen	Buddy
Y4 -Hornbeam	Snayder	Rana
Y4 -Walnut	Sufiyan	lvor
Y4 -Cypress	Khizar	Lois
Y4 - Mulberry	Kevin	Oliver
Y5 - Hawthorn	Norina	Lara
Y5 - Beech	Affan	Indeg
Y5 - Cedar	Griff	Haniya
Y5 - Eucalyptus	Jayla	Mohammed
Y6 - Hazel	Sanjana	Chikamara
Y6 - Aspen	Nevaeh	Musab
Y6 - Maple	Nicole	Kaelen
Y6 - Magnolia	Taaha	Ali



Pokémon cards

Please do not bring Pokémon cards into school. We do not want them to get lost or damaged.

9th June – 13th June Weekly Attendance

Class Name	Present
HOLLY	99.31
POPLAR	99.29
CEDAR	99.26
MAPLE	98.62
ASPEN	98
MULBERRY	97.81
PALM	97.5
OLIVE	97.33
WILLOW	97.1
HAWTHORN	96.92
REDWOOD	96.43
BEECH	96.3
PINE	95.86
LIME	95.52
CYPRESS	95.48
TEAK	95.33
WALNUT	95.33
MAGNOLIA	95.16
OAK	95.16
ELDER	94.67
CHESTNUT	94.52
SPRUCE	93.55
FIR	93.33
HORNBEAM	93
LARCH	92.41
ROWAN	92.26
EUCALYPTUS	91.38
HAZEL	87