

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, parents had the opportunity to join their children's lessons in Years 2 and 5. Our 'Bring Your Parents to School' mornings offer a valuable chance for families to gain a deeper understanding of their children's learning, as well as to feel more connected to the school community. It was good to see so many parents attending the coffee morning which shared information about online safety for all children.

Our school trips also continued this week, with Year 5 visiting the British Museum and Year 1 visiting the Postal Museum. Thank you once again to all the parents who volunteer their time to support these visits.

We have noticed an increase in pupil absences recently. To help reduce this, please encourage regular handwashing and sanitising at home, as we are doing in school. Attendance is a key area that all schools must monitor, and the law requires compulsory attendance for pupils aged five and above. Our expectation is that all pupils aim for full and punctual attendance. We are committed to supporting families to ensure every child can attend school regularly.

To help us maintain good attendance, we kindly ask that parents ensure their child attends school every day and arrive on time, unless they are unwell. Please contact the school by 10am on the first day of absence and let us know when your child is expected to return. Where possible, please arrange appointments outside the school day and discuss any planned absences (such as special occasions) with us in advance. High attendance is essential for children to make the best possible progress in their learning.

This week, children took part in their class Spelling Bee competitions. Congratulations to all the winners who will now progress to the next round. It has been wonderful to see the improvement in children's spelling and their confidence in tackling both year-group and more advanced spellings.

Thank you to all parents who are remembering to send Reading Records into school each day. These are an important tool for supporting children's reading and help maintain effective communication between

home and school. Please continue to encourage your child to bring their Reading Record daily.

Have a lovely weekend

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 Yasmin - Assistant 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 Corderoy**

**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**

## Cross Country Event



DAVIES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL



# CHRISTMAS FAIR 2025 06 DEC 12-4pm

GET INTO THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT WITH GAMES, FACE PAINTING, ARTS AND CRAFTS, TOMBOLA, HOT FOOD AND DRINKS, FESTIVE SINGALONG, AND A VERY SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA CLAUS HIMSELF!

- QUIET START (MUSIC FROM 12:30PM)
- TOKENS MAKE THE MAGIC HAPPEN  
GET YOURS AT THE ENTRANCE
- ENTRANCE VIA MORNINGTON ROAD

FRIENDS OF DAVIES LANE

## School Health Team Waltham Forest



[Thgpcg.wf0-19SPA1@nhs.net](mailto:Thgpcg.wf0-19SPA1@nhs.net) 0300 033 6200



### Drop-in sessions:

Our Community Nursery Nurses are providing monthly drop-in sessions in Waltham Forest Primary schools, offering advice, support and signposting on a range of topics including:

Healthy eating, height- weight management  
sleep routine, hygiene, toileting  
hearing and vision, child development

*Available to all parents and pupils every month*

**03/11/2025 at 9:30 am**  
**08/12/2025 at 9:30 am.**

Please speak to Mr Bolt for more information, upcoming dates and appointments



Your School Name / Contact Info / Website

### Download & Set Up the MCAS App in 4 Easy Steps

For parents and guardians: Stay informed. Stay engaged.



#### DOWNLOAD THE APP

Search for "MCAS - MyChildAtSchool"  
✓ Available on App Store & Google Play



#### SIGN IN

Use the same personal email address  
used during student registration.



#### SET YOUR PASSWORD

Tap "Forgot Password" on the login screen.  
✓ A reset link will be emailed to you.  
✓ Don't forget to check your Junk/Spam folder.



#### ENABLE PUSH NOTIFICATIONS

Turn on notifications in app/device settings  
to receive school alerts instantly.



#### Need Help?

Contact the school office or visit our website  
for more support.

mychildat  
school.com

PARENT LOGIN

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Password

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Reset Password

Login

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## Important Reminders

### Parent WhatsApp Groups

We understand that parent WhatsApp groups can be a useful way to share reminders, organise events and support one another. However, we would like to kindly remind parents and carers to use these groups responsibly and respectfully.

Please remember that these groups are not official school communication channels. If you have any questions, concerns or feedback about school matters, we ask that you contact the school directly rather than discussing these topics in WhatsApp groups. This helps ensure that information is accurate and that any issues can be addressed appropriately and promptly.

We also ask that everyone speaks respectfully about all members of our school community — including staff, children, and other parents. Our shared goal is to model kindness and respect for our children, both in person and online.

### Attendance Matters

**Our aim is for all children to be at school at least 98% of the time. It is vital that they are at school unless they are really too ill to attend. Please see the guidance from the government below.**

<https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence>

### Medical

For any medical needs relating to your child, please speak to our Assistant Head Teacher for inclusion. Mr Callum Bolt.

### Wraparound Care

Please be reminded that payment for the breakfast or teatime club must be made in advance. Children will not be able to attend the club unless payment has been received beforehand.

### 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.**

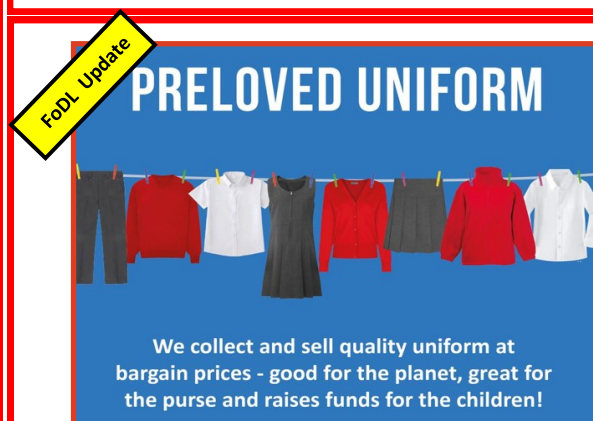
**Thank you for your continued support!**

### Courtesy

Please be courteous to our staff they are communicating our school policies and procedure. It is vital that we continue to work together harmoniously.

### Medical Appointments

Please remember that medical appointments should be booked out of school hours where possible. If the appointment is an emergency and needs to happen during the school day, we



**The Christmas Fair is 2 weeks away (Saturday 6 December)!**

Raffle tickets are on sale, and the winter gear is well and truly out, which can only mean one thing - the Davies Lane Christmas Fair is around the corner! We still need plenty of volunteers to help make the magic happen on the day, so please read on and let us know how you can help.

Keeping with the festive spirit, we are also asking for donations of pre-loved Christmas jumpers—please leave them in the pre-loved uniform bins at the office,

**Logistics - Help us run the machine behind the scenes**

Setting up on Friday 5 Dec (3.30-6pm)

Setting up on Saturday before the fair (9am-12pm)

Tidying up on Saturday after the fair (4-6pm)

Collecting the hot food (10.30am on Saturday) - this requires a car with a decent sized boot

Returning the cleaned empty pots (after 2pm on Saturday)

We are looking to jazz up our grotto even further this year - do you have a reindeer you could lend us for the day?

**Stalls - Be part of the action on the day**

Kitchen & Canteen - Come help us feed the hungry masses!

Face painters - Popular stall with the kids, so we need your painting skills to make this work.

Waffle station - We'll provide the ingredients along with a recipe and the waffle iron (you'll need to make the batter in advance); could you be our waffle chef for the day?

Help run a games stall, either by yourself or sharing the role with a friend/volunteer

If you can only spare a couple of hours, please let us know - we can find you a stall to help on

**Donations - You can still help if you're not available on the day**

Items in new condition that could be a prize on our Raffle, Kids' Tombola or games stalls

Clean teddies/cuddly toys for our Teddy Tombola

Pre-loved toys for a new pre-loved stall we are trialling this year with toys

Indoor plants

Cakes and bakes (homemade or shop bought both welcome)

If you are able to help, please join the Christmas Fair WhatsApp group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GSDWoZk5Be00O4zWsPwjeE> or email us at [fodlnews@gmail.com](mailto:fodlnews@gmail.com).

**Raffle Tickets** Please hand in any sold raffle tickets to the school as soon as possible, and if you can sell more tickets, they're available for pick-up at both offices.

All proceeds go to FoDL for the children at our school, so please help us make this a successful fair and a great day out for everyone!

Thank you for your support and have a lovely weekend.

The FoDL Team





# IMPORTANT NOTICE STUDENT PICKUP POLICY

You **MUST** be 16 years or older to collect a younger sibling from school.

This rule is in place to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students.

Thank you for your cooperation and 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.

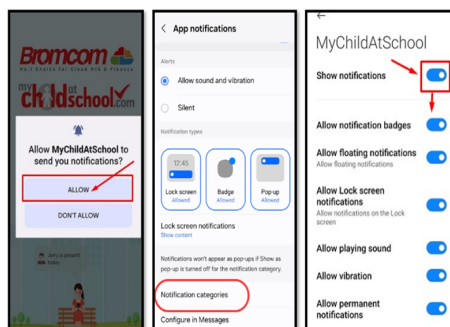
**Please remember that we are a nut free school.** Thank you for your cooperation and support in promoting healthy eating habits!

### Important

Please select the phone settings icon



to turn notifications on



### Reminder

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.

## NOTICE TO CHILDREN

Parents are advised  
to remind children

# ZERO TOLERANCE



## ON BRINGING ANY ITEM INTO SCHOOL WHICH IS NOT PERMITTED



Year 5 Trip to the British Museum :Cypress class



## 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	Byron	Maryam
3YO Nursery	Felix	Ruby
R-Apple	Greg	Cora
R-Sycamore	Eris	Huda
R-Ash	Hari	Nadine
R-Magnolia	Willow	Wasif
Y1- Fir	Eeshaan	Aila
Y1- Rowan	Ella	Tuana
Y1- Larch	Cassius	Luca
Y1- Redwood	Sacha	Safiyyah N
Y2- Pine	David	Rahma
Y2 - Lime	Caleb	Martin
Y2 - Poplar	Max	Laiba
Y2 - Oak	Ali	Ayyash
Y3 - Teak	Adonis	Mateo
Y3 -Chestnut	Jessica	Michelle
Y3 -Elder	Zahra	Noah
Y3 -Willow	Aaron	Jose
Y4 -Spruce	Alayna	Andy
Y4 - Palm	Muhammad	Taysharn
Y4- Holly	Anouk	Saad
Y4- Olive	Nihal	Kaejah
Y5-	Gabriel	Snayder
Y5 -Walnut	Aran	Levi
Y5 -Cypress	Dre	Lynda
Y5 - Mulber-	Inaayah	Adam
Y6 - Haw-	Aradana	Zohra
Y6 - Beech	Talha	Logie
Y6 - Cedar	Aamina	Yeab
Y6 - Eucalyp-	Farhan	Arisha



## EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Speak confidentially with an educational psychologist about your child

## DATES

**Wednesday afternoon (12:30-2 pm) or evening (3:30-5 pm)**

24th September 2025  
8th October 2025  
12th November 2025  
10th December 2025  
14th January 2026  
11th February 2026  
18th March 2026  
22nd April 2026  
20th May 2026  
10th June 2026  
8th July 2026

## PARENT ADVICE SESSIONS

### Who is it for?

- Parents and carers living in Waltham Forest

### What can I expect?

- A free 30-minute session with an EP by phone or online via Teams

### How to book?

- Call, text or email us using the contact details below

[educationalpsychologyservice@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:educationalpsychologyservice@walthamforest.gov.uk)

07776 589 597



## ABOUT US

Our diverse EP team is passionate about working with families and schools to support children and young people aged 0-25 years with their development, learning and emotional wellbeing.



## WALTHAM FOREST MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM WEBINARS 2025

**02**  
OCTOBER

School attendance and Emotional Wellbeing

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS



**16**  
OCTOBER

Helping your child reach their full academic potential

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS



**06**  
NOVEMBER

Positive approaches to challenging behaviour

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS



**20**  
NOVEMBER

Boost your mood – practical tools for overcoming low mood

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS



**03**  
DECEMBER

Anxiety management: building resilience and calm

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS



Please register your interest for any of our free webinars by scanning this QR code





## Diary Dates

**24th Nov:** Spelling Bee – Semi-finals in phase assemblies

**24th Nov:** Caught Reading Challenge

**25th Nov:** Y4 Anxiety group session

**25th Nov:** Y2 Anxiety workshop

**28th Nov:** Nursery Coffee morning.

**2nd Dec:** Y2 micro musical – dress rehearsal

**2nd Dec:** NHS challenging behaviour coffee morning for parents

**2nd Dec:** Y2 Anxiety workshop

**3rd Dec :** Y4 micro musical dress rehearsal

**4th Dec:** Parent Council (9:15-10:30am) – Outcomes in Reading, Writing and Maths

**4th Dec:** Carol singing at care home

**4th Dec:** Carol concert dress rehearsal 9:30am

**4th Dec:** Carols around the Christmas tree concert

4:00pm – 5:00pm: aopa

**5th Dec:** Coffee Morning (9.00-10:00am) PREVENT

**5th Dec:** Arbor Spelling Bee – Interschool championship

**5th Dec:** Interschool Sports Football

**5th Dec:** Free dress day – Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre

**6th Dec:** Christmas Fayre.

**8th Dec:** Christmas Panto

8th Dec

**9th Dec:** Y2 micro musical

**9th Dec:** Y2 Anxiety workshop

**10th Dec:** Y4 micro musical

**11th Dec:** Christmas Jumper day

**12th Dec: Reception** Christmas Panto at 2pm

**15th Dec:** Report cards out

**15th Dec** Nursery Nativity – (11:00-11:30am & 2:00-2:30pm parents welcome)

**16th Dec:** Christmas Story: Reception (9:30am)

**16th Dec:** Christmas lunch

**16th Dec:** Y2 Anxiety workshop

**17th Dec:** Flu immunisations

**17th Dec:** Attendance Lunch (class with highest attendance wins a lunch at school)

**17th Dec:** Flu immunisations

**18th Dec:** Class parties (pm)

**19th Dec:** Last day of the school closes at 2pm

**20th Dec:** 4th Jan 2026– Christmas Holidays

**5th Jan :** INSET DAY - no children in school.

**6th Jan:** Children return to school at 8.55am

## 10th - 14th November

### Class Attendance

Class Name	Present %
OAK	100
POPLAR	99.29
LARCH	99
TEAK	98.97
MULBERRY	98.71
HORNBEAM	98.3
APPLE	97.5
BEECH	97.31
ASH	96.77
WALNUT	96.67
OLIVE	96.55
CHESTNUT	96.25
CEDAR	95.93
ROWAN	95.86
SPRUCE	95.85
LIME	94.41
EUCALYPTUS	94.07
HOLLY	94.01
HAWTHORN	94
PINE	93.45
SYCAMORE	93.42
WILLOW	93.21
REDWOOD	93.1
FIR	90.67
ELDER	90
CYPRESS	89.66
PALM	89.66
MAGNOLIA	86.33

### Residents' News

OUR  
VISION  
WALTHAM  
FOREST



Waltham Forest

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