

Parents and Carers,

By now, most of you will have signed up to My Child at School (MCAS) and will have seen the valuable information it provides. We are pleased to let you know that payments can now be made through the MCAS app, making it easier than ever to manage school-related transactions.

If you haven't yet downloaded the MCAS app, we kindly encourage you to do so. It greatly simplifies communication from school to home. One important request is that all parents ensure push notifications are turned on. Without these, you will not receive alerts to the communications being sent out and may miss important updates and vital information.

This week, many of our Year 5 pupils have shown tremendous confidence and enthusiasm by putting themselves forward to become Year 6 Prefects next year. They've written their own manifestos, created campaign posters and flyers, and presented their ideas to their peers. The election will take place on Thursday 18th July. Good luck to all the candidates!

In line with this, our school assemblies this week have focused on Democracy and British Values, helping children understand their rights and responsibilities as members of our school and wider community.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended Parent's Evening. We hope you found it helpful in understanding your child's progress and identifying areas you can support over the summer.

We are very excited about our School Summer Fayre, taking place this Saturday at 12:00pm. There will be food, drinks, games, and a wonderful chance to come together as a community. A big thank you to the FODL team for their hard work in organising what we're sure will be a fantastic event!

Upcoming Events

Friday 11th July – Children will meet their new class teacher for next year.

Monday 8th July – Year 6 will perform their Leavers' Production of Matilda at 2:00pm and 6:00pm.

Tuesday 15th July – Year 1 will perform their Micro-Musical for parents. More details to follow.

Finally, during the hot weather, please remember to send your child to school with a sun hat and a refillable bottle of water each day. As a Healthy School, we kindly ask that children do not bring sweet treats to share on their birthdays.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards
Rebecca Corderoy
Acting Head of 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

We are now Live

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Please do not make any payments to School Money

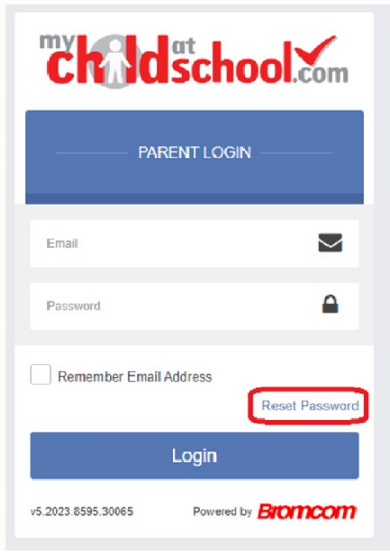


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- SET YOUR PASSWORD**
Tap "Forgot Password" on the login screen.
✓ A reset link will be emailed to you.
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- Need Help?**
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Building Confidence

Today, a year 4 child gained in confidence by believing in herself and performing in front of a large crowd! Cypress class are very proud of **Hero!**





Watercolour and sketching Competition

A group of talented pupils from Davies Lane recently visited Woodford Green to take part in an exciting watercolour and sketching competition. Representing their respective classes with pride, Oliver from Hazel, Nicole from Maple, Noa from Cedar, Norina from

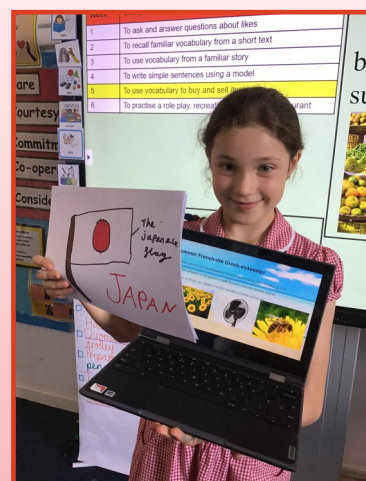
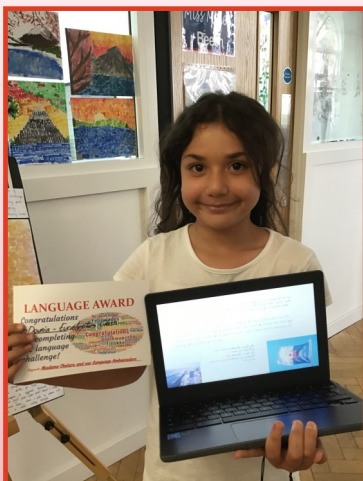


Hawthorn, Anesa from Walnut, Alice from Mulberry, Alayna from Spruce, and Lyra from Palm all showcased incredible artistic effort and creativity throughout the day. Their enthusiasm and focus were truly

commendable, with each pupil producing beautiful and thoughtful pieces. A special **congratulations** goes to Noa from Cedar, who impressed the judges and secured first place—an outstanding achievement!

Language Challenge

Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 4 children who have completed the Language Challenge. They used Google slides, the French dictionary and they researched about seasons or countries from around the world. We hope to see more projects before the end of the summer term.



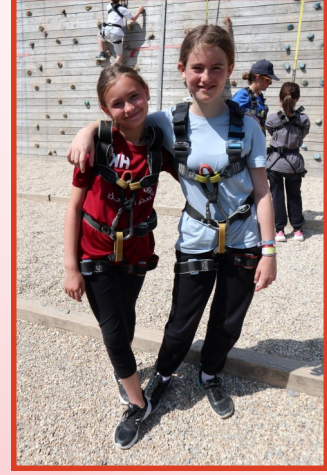
Year 6 Residential Trip

Over the weekend, some of our year 6 children travelled to Osmington Bay in Dorset. On the way, they stopped at Stonehenge to see the iconic stone structures from the Neolithic Age. During their stay, the children visited the ruins of Corfe Castle where they had the opportunity to see peregrine falcons nesting at the top of the keep! Later, the children walked down to Durdle Door and then did the hike trail to Lulworth Cove where they had lunch and some delicious ice cream. The day ended with songs and toasting marshmallows around the campfire!

The following two days were full of activities at PGL. The morning consisted of a short drive to Portland. Here, the children had the opportunity to do some dragon boating and compete in races! Other activities back at Osmington Bay included the giant swing, zip wire and aeroball! The children ended the day wearing their finest clothes at the disco.



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Davies Lane reading books

Over the course of the year we always find our stock of classroom and library books becomes a little depleted. Please could you have a look at home and check there are not books with a Davies Lane stamp in them that have inadvertently been placed on a book shelf or left under a bed. If you do find any please could they be returned to school as soon as possible. They can be handed in to myself in Year 2 Chestnut class, Mr Harris in year 4 Mulberry or returned via class teachers or the office.

Thank you so much for supporting us with this.

Mrs Walsh

Reading lead

FoDL

Could you share your skills?

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!

- **Finance** - We need a co-treasurer. FoDL has a brilliant treasurer but we need another to make this work! With your expertise, our funds could go further. This is a commitment, but it's gentle on your time because it's a role-share. Do get in touch to discuss.

- **Communications** - Do you just like writing about what's going on? We need someone to connect with our community. From an Instagram feed to the newsletter update - there's so much you could improve! Just ask to find out more.

Design - If you use apps like Canva, 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.

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

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) SOLUTIONS

AI solutions are trained on a large dataset of text to learn patterns and relationships in the data and generate text, images, sound or even video based on the data they are trained on. As such, users can ask a question, provide a prompt or provide other source material, and the AI solution will then provide a response.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- ACCURACY**
All language models such as ChatGPT, generate their responses based on the data they have been trained on. This is often drawn from the internet and therefore may include incorrect facts, leading to responses which contain errors and inaccuracies.
- BIAS**
All language models, including ChatGPT, can perpetuate existing biases present in the data they were trained on. This could lead to biased responses and the reinforcement of stereotypes.
- SENSE**
AI solutions do not have the ability to understand the context or meaning behind a question or prompt. This could result in inaccurate or irrelevant or even non-sensical responses, whether that be in text, image or other responses.
- ACCOUNTABILITY**
AI solutions do not have the ability to take responsibility for the responses they generate. This could cause confusion or misunderstandings in language models if the AI's responses are taken as fact and the truth. With generative AIs that create images, it can lead to output derived from other people's content but without any attribution of the source artist's work.
- LACK OF CREATIVITY**
AI solutions are not capable of independent thought and rely on the data they were trained on. This may potentially produce a lack of creative thinking and problem-solving abilities if students come to be heavily reliant on AI solutions.

Advice for Parents & Carers

- A SAFE ENVIRONMENT**
Empower children and young people to use the various AI models in a safe environment and with appropriate content filtering/supervision, and to raise any concerns or questions as they arise.
- ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING**
Encourage children to use AI solutions as tools to help them research and learn, but remind them to not take the model's responses as the truth. Emphasise that they should question, verify and think critically about the information they receive.
- DISCUSS BIAS**
Discuss with children the potential biases that may be present in the responses generated by AI language models and encourage them not to simply accept the responses that it gives them at face value.
- MONITOR USAGE**
It is important for parents to monitor their children's usage of AI solutions (as with technology use in general) to ensure that they are using it responsibly and to provide opportunities to discuss its use, if needed.
- ENCOURAGE HUMAN INTERACTION**
Help children learn how to use AIs in conjunction with other resources, such as books and the internet, but also humans such as teachers, relatives and friends. Emphasise the importance of human interaction as part of life and as part of learning.
- SCHOOL GUIDANCE**
Be aware of school rules or other guidance in relation to the use of AI solutions in relation to a child's education and discuss appropriate and inappropriate use with young people accordingly.

Meet Our Expert
Garry Henderson is the Director of IT in a large UK boarding school having previously taught in schools and colleges both in the UK and in the Middle East. He has a particular interest in digital citizenship and cyber security believing that it is important that we are all more aware of not just the benefits of technology, but also the risks.

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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:
The Friends of Davies Lane Summer Raffle
...Someone has to win each of these prizes!**

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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

- Facebook 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

Your kids will have brought tickets home, and if you'd like more, just ask at the school office. We'll draw the tickets at the fair on Saturday 5 July

**Free Parent /Carer Webinar -
Supporting Your Child's Men-
tal 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 Q&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.

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.

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.

27th February
20th March
1st May
10th June
12th July

0-19 Service

Healthy Child Programme

We are your 0-19 Service, which delivers the Waltham Forest Healthy Child Programme. We provide public health interventions for children and families aged 0-19 years to enable them to reach their full potential.

An allocated School nurse for every Primary school

Your school nurse can support with the following and much more...

- Long term health conditions e.g., asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, and allergies
- Writing health care plans
- Disability and complex health needs
- Transition to secondary school and preparing for adulthood
- Promoting positive mental health, school attendance and attainment
- Referrals to and liaison with other services as required.

Community Nursery offer monthly drop-in sessions in Primary schools

Your community nurse can support with the following and much more...

- Healthy eating
- Height and weight management
- Sleep routine
- Hygiene
- Day or night time wetting
- Hearing and vision
- Child development.

If you would like further support or to book an appointment, please inform the school office or you can contact our Single Point of Access on: 0300 033 620 or email: thgpcg.wf0-19spa1@nhs.net

www.gpcaregroup.org

Follow us: @TheGPCareGroup

Diary Dates

7th July : LUNCH BUNCH – Healthy eating - importance to reduce diabetes in the community by reducing sugar

Rock steady concerts at 2:30pm (**invited parents**)

8th July workshop – Transition anxiety workshop Y6

8th July : Leaver's Production (**2:00pm & 6:00pm, Parents welcome**)

9th July : Year 1 Micro musical dress rehearsal

9th July : Interschool sports – Tennis trip for invited children only.

10th July : Parent Council – Review of school targets, emerging data

10th July : Arbor Spelling Bee – Interschool championship .

10th July : 1pm Music concert Dress rehearsal

10th July : Music concert for parents 4:00pm – 5:00pm

10th – 11th July: Induction Days

11th July: Class swap (11:00am)

11th July : Coffee morning 9.00am—10.00am

14th July: PREFECTS - Developing leadership disposition

14th July : Y6 Art exhibition

14th July : Y6 DT product design exhibition

15th July : Year 1 Micro musical

Poplar and Oak—9.30am

Lime and Pine –11.00am

16th July : Citizenship awards ceremony

(**Nominated children and parents invited**)

18th July: Attendance Lunch (Class with highest attendance wins a lunch)

18th July: Report Cards out/R EYFS reports out to parents

18th July: Phonics, KS2 SATs, Y4 Timetables reports to parents.

18th July :Leaver's Assembly (**9:30 – 10:00am parents welcome**)

18th July : Y6 leaver's Disco

21st July : Music exams

21st July : Caught Reading over the holidays

21st July : 100% attendance in school lunch/ picnic

22nd July : Class Parties (pm)

23rd July : Last day for children school—closes at **2pm**

NOTICE TO CHILDREN
Parents are advised to remind children

ZERO TOLERANCE



ON BRINGING ANY ITEM INTO SCHOOL WHICH IS NOT PERMITTED

DAVIES LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Summer Fair 5 July

Davies Lane kids Share your talents!

DO YOU PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? ARE YOU IN A BAND?
CAN YOU MAKE PEOPLE LAUGH OR DO MAGIC?
or is there something you do that makes people say 'Wow'?

Come and show everyone at the Fair on Saturday 5 July!

We are running an open mic session for kids to perform between 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Your show only needs to be five minutes

Come and have a go
People will love it!

Get in touch to say you're IN...

- email fadlnewse@gmail.com
- or contact Anna on 07885 229 885
- or let Mr Macnaghten know.

 **FRIENDS OF DAVIES LANE**

Caught Being Kind

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



Pokémon cards

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

Class	Star of the Week	Caught being kind
2YO Nursery	Kamil	Leon
3YO Nursery	Finn	Fateeha
REC - Fir	Alisa	Danylo
REC - Rowan	Ayaan	Seren
REC - Larch	Hannah	Zohan
REC - Redwood	Deskash	Dylan
Y1- Pine	Ajla	Otis
Y1 - Lime	Akshaya	Laszlo
Y1 - Poplar	Maya	Kirat
Y1 - Oak	Ibraheem	Assiya
Y2 - Teak	Yasin	Alia
Y2 -Chestnut	Jean	Sukaynah
Y2 -Elder	Jason	Elodie
Y2 -Willow	Amira	Sarah
Y3 -Spruce	Mohamed	Khadijah
Y3 - Palm	Yusuf	Davith
Y3- Holly	Mahenoor	Ali
Y3- Olive	Kaejah	Shayan
Y4 -Hornbeam	Jamie	Abigail
Y4 -Walnut	Isobel	Ivor
Y4 -Cypress	Hero	Casper
Y4 - Mulberry	Aisha	Inaayah
Y5 - Hawthorn	Norina	Muhammad-Ali
Y5 - Beech	Lucy	Megan
Y5 - Cedar	Mark	Kaltum
Y5 - Eucalyptus	Jayla-Marie	Aniela
Y6 - Hazel	Emma	Jarvis
Y6 - Aspen	Rose	Maariyah
Y6 - Maple	Meryem	Adn
Y6 - Magnolia	Isla	Neil

23rd June – 27th June Weekly Attendance

Class Name	Present 100%
MAGNOLIA	98.71
PINE	98.62
PALM	98.21
REDWOOD	97.93
TEAK	97.89
HAWTHORN	97.69
FIR	97.67
MULBERRY	97.5
BEECH	97.41
HAZEL	97.33
OLIVE	97.33
WALNUT	97.33
LIME	97.24
WILLOW	97.1
CHESTNUT	96.77
ROWAN	96.38
HORNBEAM	96.33
CEDAR	96.3
POPLAR	95.71
OAK	95
EUCALYPTUS	94.83
MAPLE	93.45
HOLLY	93.1
ASPEN	92.67
ELDER	92.33
SPRUCE	92.26
CYPRESS	91.29
LARCH	83.1