



NEWSLETTER Friday 27th January 2023



Dear Families,

We have now reached the mid point of the academic year and as staff we reflect on how much the children have grown and what is next on their learning journey. Meeting with you is always a pleasure, the connection is not just for mental health, as was the focus this week, it is because we are stronger together.

It was wonderful to take the opportunity for feedback and really pleased once more with most questions scoring 100% for agree or strongly agree from feeling safe to knowing about learning and behaving well. We can see that a couple of families do not know what happens if they have a concern.

Over 75% would have liked the expansion to have gone ahead. We know that some people prefer small schools. Personally, I am disappointed but I am sure we will make the best of it once more so children are not limited. I am sure with your support we can co-create new fabulous opportunities.

Wishing you a wonderful week,

Mrs Smith



DIARY DATES

First half term:	4/1/23 – 10/2/23
Half term:	13/2/23 – 17/2/23
Second half term:	20/2/23 – 31/3/23
Easter holiday:	3/4/23 – 17/4/23
Summer term starts:	18/4/23 – 20/7/23
School Closure:	Monday 8th May for the coronation
SATS Year 6:	Week of Tuesday 9th -12th May SATs
Year 2:	Anytime in May
Banding test Year 5:	Between May 15-26th TBC
Year 1 phonics:	Week beginning 12th June

The children have been enjoying our new provision of French, computing and performing arts with Junior Jam. Lots of fun to be had and performances to come. Watch this space.....

Jesus said "I have come so that you can live life in all its' fullness" John 10:10

STARS OF THE WEEK



Our stars



Kindness leaves

**Congratulations
TTRS superstars!**

1. Areebah
2. Kevin
3. Izambard

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Ben	4th	Yr5
Cairo	6th	Yr4
Riley	7th	Yr5
Lev	8th	Yr5
Xingchen	9th	Reception
Liyana	10th	Yr3
Florence	13th	Yr2
Veronica-May	14th	Yr6
Evie Lynn	16th	Reception
Zoe	18th	Yr2
Sumayyah	18th	Yr5
Taimullah	19th	Nursery
Amara-Rose	20th	Yr2
Bobby	23rd	Yr2
Bleu	24th	Yr6
Lily-rose	25th	Yr3
Ronee	26th	Yr2
Olivia	27th	Reception
Rosie	28th	Yr2
Isla	29th	Yr6



WORSHIP FOCUS

**Being
generous to
others**



How have you or
can you help
others?



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Year 4 took part in a 'Philosophon' with children from neighbouring schools. They watched a short video clip and discussed the concepts. These concepts generated questions, which the children then discussed together in a philosophical manner.



Today, Year 5 went on a trip to the British Museum to see the mummies, canopic jars, amulets and sarcophagi in real-life! All of the learning about Ancient Egypt that we've done over the past 6 weeks - including learning about the Egyptian social hierarchy, the process of mummification and reading our class book 'The Red Pyramid' - helped us understand the things we saw. We were able to hunt for things we have read about in our book (such as shabti statues and different Gods and Goddesses)!



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Four pupils attended the Anti-Bullying training held at Harris Academy School in Peckham. Our children worked together along with St Pauls & St Lukes school pupils. The day was attended by various schools. The children enjoyed taking part in lots of fun and games throughout the day.

Well done to Thomas in Year 6 who was first to win the bingo game!



WHAT IS ANTI-BULLYING AMBASSADOR TRAINING?

Your school's journey on the Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme starts with Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training.

This is all day training session delivered by an anti-bullying expert.

Through a series of engaging group activities and discussions, your students will become Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, ready to kick-start their whole-school anti-bullying campaign



Bullying happens in all walks of life and institutions so it is best dealt with by the children being empowered to recognise it and not stand by.

We teach children to be courageous advocates and stand up for what is right and to support each other. Well done to all our children!

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THE POETRY SOCIETY



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ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND



This year some children from Year 6 took part in the 7th annual Tower Hamlets Poetry Slam. The event was held at Rich Mix in Bethnal Green and it is fair to say that the children did us and their parents proud. Children performed either as a group or individually with Daalya winning an award for the best line in her own poem. Well done to all of our contenders!

"I found it a fun and enjoyable experience because we got to work with an experienced poet and then perform them and listen to the other poems too from the other schools." - Natalie

"Poetry Slam was extraordinary. It was amazing to see all the other poets perform their poems." - Nathen



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Year 3 & 4 Horniman Museum



Years 3 & 4 enjoyed taking a magical journey through rivers, seas and oceans in the Horniman's highly acclaimed Aquarium earlier this week. Pupils saw 15 exhibits showcasing aquatic environments from around the globe, ranging from the British pond to Fijian coral reefs. We watched South American fish swimming around in the flooded mangrove roots, and saw poison dart frogs and tropical tree frogs.

Poplar Celebration at Poplar Union

Six children from KS2 enjoyed a morning at Poplar Union celebrating the artistic skills of St. Saviour's children and other local schools in the neighbourhood; the children particularly enjoyed the practical session making their own collage birds and were very inventive!



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The whole school took part in Children's Mental Health Week, and help us make a difference to the lives of children and young people across the UK. We designed paper chains to encourage children to consider the different ways that we can make meaningful connections with others. A big thank you to Elizabeth for all her help.

"We all have mental health, look after it!" is what we teach the children and sometimes we need to remember that for ourselves. Our connection to one another is one way to stay mentally healthy, other ways are exercise, diet and breathing.

All support how our gut and brain work together to aid our brain in releasing the chemicals that make us feel happier. There is lots in the news at the moment about this as more evidence comes to light about the power of food for good or not! Sometimes though we all need a little extra help and someone to help us. A great place to find this is on <https://hubofhope.co.uk/> you can find services you need.



Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 2023 will take place from 6-12 February 2023. This year's theme is Let's Connect

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SWIM SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSES

Why not keep the kids active this holiday while learning a new life skill with our Swim School Holiday Courses.

Classes for 2023 (Foundation class's only):

- 13th -17th February, 9am - 11:30am
- 3rd - 6th April, 9am - 11:30am
- 14th -18th and 21st -25th August, 9am - 11:30am

- For ages 4 years - 11 years.
- Each class is 30 minutes
- £5 per lesson

Tiller Leisure Centre, Tiller Road, Docklands, Tower Hamlets, London, E14 8PX

To find and book a Swim School holiday short course:

- Visit better.org.uk/book-lesson
- Find and click on your preferred location to be taken to the available courses.
- Select 'Swim School Holiday Courses' in the left-hand filter

Our Learn to Swim framework is designed by industry experts to ensure lessons are of the highest quality, progressive and make our pupils journey fun and hassle free. All our teachers are professional, passionate and pupil-focused; and will ensure your child is in safe hands.

Book your short course today at better.org.uk/lessons



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Holiday Childcare February Scheme 2023

Information for professionals

The Tower Hamlets Holiday Childcare February 2023 half-term scheme is now open for bookings for working parents' resident in the borough and for vulnerable referrals. Non-working parents / carers are welcome to book places from 24th January 2023.

Scheme dates

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023 (5 days)

Our scheme dates are based on the Tower Hamlets school holidays.

Booking closing date: 7th February 2023 by 12pm or earlier once bookings are full

Venue

St Mary & St Michael's Catholic Primary School, Sutton Street, E1 0BD

Please support and share this information with families you feel may benefit from our scheme. To refer a child please complete our [referral form](#) and support the family to book following the steps on our [booking system](#).

More information can be found on our website www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs.

We will look forward to receiving your bookings.

Holiday Childcare Team
Parent & Family Support Service
Children and Culture Directorate
London Borough of Tower Hamlets

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MON 13 FEB
TUE 14 FEB
& THU 16 FEB

TIMES:
10:00- 12:00

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13 FEB
9AM - 12PM!

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Sessions are 10 till 12



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