



Friday 17th November 2023
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The PTA are in full swing getting ready for the Christmas Fair. There is a meeting this Friday at 9am on the North site if you are interested in helping. You can email friends@missiongrove.org.uk if you can't attend the meeting or if you have a raffle prize to donate. Raffle tickets are now on sale, 50p a ticket and £2.50 for a booklet. The first prize is a Nintendo switch and there are plenty of other prizes to win too.

We are having our annual Christmas film nights on the 14th December. The children will be with their year groups watching various films from Elf to Muppets Christmas Carol. The tickets are £7 and includes the children staying at school until 6pm and having a hot dog (vegetarian option available) chips, drink and pop corn. Tickets available from Friday 1st from the class teachers and office.

At the moment we are only raising funds for the children at Mission Grove, to support their education and life experiences. Some parents have approached the school to organise further fundraising events relating to current global issues and at this time we have made the decision not to. The DFE and Local Authority gives guidance that schools should take an Apolitical approach which we are.

The first Parent Council meeting is on Thursday and we will be looking at the updated RSE policy with links to the new Jigsaw curriculum. All information can be found on the website.

Please make sure that one person in your household has the app downloaded so that you can keep up to date with school news. We now put all forms for trip confirmations on the app with the details on how you can sign up to volunteer and give consent for your child to attend. If you really can not down load the app please let your child's class teacher know or the school office.

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you the let the school office know. The newsletter gets placed on the app and the website.

Thank you to everyone who bought a book from the book fair, you helped raise £1,000 for the school to buy scholastic books. The timing has been perfect as the children have just completed their AR tests and many have moved up in their ZPD zone and have been asking for more books.

We have received some sad news this week that the London Aquatics centre will no longer offer lessons for primary schools. Luckily our year 4 children have a 2 week block in February but they will be the last set of children to learn to swim at the Olympic pool. We will be looking for alternatives in the borough for future lessons.

Thank you to the year 4 parents who attended this weeks Come Dine with me. Please check the calendar dates as we have lots of events coming up in school, including 2 coffee mornings.

Unfortunately, Ms Osbourne is still off sick. Ms Khan and Ms Atwal have been teaching Goose class in her absence. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Have a peaceful weekend.
Miss Katie Jennings
Headteacher

Reception Parents

Christmas is now upon us so what better way to get into the festive spirit than coming to our Mission Grove Nativity.

North Site Nativity -
13th December at
10am or 2pm

South Site Nativity -
15th December at
10am or 2pm

Book your tickets from your child's class teacher. Tickets cost £1:00 per performance, photos (individual or class £1:00 each).

We look forward to seeing you at our performance!



SPECIAL DATES

Attendance

3 Skylark	95.12%
4 Barn Owl	95.32%
3 Swallow	95.44%
6 Chaffinch	95.89%
4 Blackbird	95.96%
2 Wren	96.12%
6 Cuckoo	96.16%
4 Buzzard	96.75%
6 Chiff Chaff	97.20%
6 Crow	97.60%
Nursery South PM	97.71%
2yr North AM	97.96%
3 Sparrow	97.97%
2yr North PM	97.99%

The table shows the classes with above 95% this week.

Mallard and Magpie have the worst attendance with below 87%.

We have 177 children on track for getting their Bronze award for 100% attendance this term. This assembly will take place on the last day of term for the award.

November

29th Year 2 Woodpecker & Wren British Museum

Year 6 Library visits

30th Parent Council meeting 9am North site

December

1st Mini Winter Reading challenge starts

4th KS2 Kurling & Boccia festival

5th Music Concert—guitars & Violin & Choir

6th Parent Coffee morning 9am north site all welcome

Year 3 Natural History Trip—please sign up on the app

7th North site Pantomimes

Full Governors

8th South site Pantomime

8th Santa Dash Douglas Eyre sports field

11th Rock steady concert

Year 2 Kenya day

13th 9am coffee morning North

Reception Nativity North

14th Christmas Film Night £7

15th Reception Nativity South

Week beginning 18th No Clubs

18th Christmas Fair

19th Year 4 Ice Skating

19th Christmas Parties

20th Christmas Lunch

21st Christmas Jumper Day

save the date



CHRISTMAS

Fair

DECEMBER

18TH

Monday

FOOD . CRAFTS . GAMES .
MEET SANTA

Starts at 3.30pm to
6.30pm

- North Site Buxton Road E17 7EJ

The deadline for getting your child vaccinated is the 15th December. You have to complete the online form. <https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/walthamforest>

Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

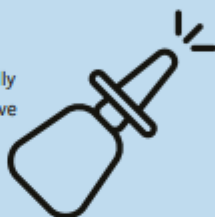
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/walthamforest>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- ✓ Protects your child from the flu
- ✓ Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions)
- ✓ Is painless, quick and effective
- ✓ Is free
- ✓ The nasal flu vaccine is very effective at reducing the spread of flu



THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. Please see our Frequently Asked Questions for more information.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you **MUST** inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.

Yours Faithfully,
Your Local Immunisation Team
Vaccination UK



WALTHAM FOREST

Immunisation Team
Contact Details



walthamforest@v-uk.co.uk



0208 0174291

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USEFUL INFO

✓ We endeavour to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.

✗ **PLEASE NOTE** the flu vaccine will **NOT** be available to otherwise healthy children after December 15th at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.

✓ Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

USEFUL LINKS



www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu
www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk



PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here:
www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy

For data protection queries, please contact:
dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk



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Parenting is difficult! It's a job we receive no training for, yet we are always expected to get it right

What do EPEC courses cover?

EPEC Parenting offers a variety of parent led courses and workshops both face to face and virtually. Each course is facilitated by x2 EPEC certified Parent Group Leaders (PGLS). Topics include Being 'Good enough parents, Feelings, Child led play, Spending time with your children, Understanding children's behaviour, Discipline strategies, Listening & Communication styles, Coping with stress etc.

What types of EPEC Courses are there in Waltham Forest?

There are 2 types of EPEC parenting courses:

1. Being a Parent Course - for parents/ carers of children aged 2-11 years
2. Parent Group Leaders Course – a unique parenting approach for parents of (children ages 2-11 years). The techniques & training has been designed for local parents and is run by local parents.



"As a father I feel I am a good enough parent and it's important we build safer relationships with our children."

"I'm not alone and other parents go through the same."

"It's a relaxed, friendly atmosphere."

"Open/talking, learning about us and not feeling alone as a father."

You can speak to a member of the EPEC Team for further information or to book onto a course
Phone: 0779913026 email: EPEC@walthamforest.gov.uk Web: bit.ly/EPECBAP

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Waltham Forest

It's back!

Spark a love of reading even in the most reluctant reader with the free online Winter Mini Challenge. Unlock rewards for reading and find fun activities on our dedicated children's website. The Winter Mini Challenge is an online, bitesize version of The Reading Agency's annual Summer Reading Challenge. This summer, they teamed up with the Youth Sport Trust and public libraries to bring you Ready, Set, Read! – a Summer Reading Challenge that empowered hundreds of thousands of young people to read and play, keeping minds and bodies active over the summer break. Following the success of Ready, Set, Read!, The Reading Agency are delighted to extend the theme into the Winter Mini Challenge. With the holidays approaching, now is the time to encourage families to discover the joy of reading or to build on good reading habits! Tackle the holiday reading 'dip' and join in at wintermini.org.uk from 1 December 2023 to 19th February



THE
READING
AGENCY

Winter Mini Challenge

Join the Ready, Set, **Read!** Winter Mini Challenge

from 1 December 2023

Get
rewards
for your
reading



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READERS**



CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT



TICKET £7 Drink, refreshments & film

FROM END OF SCHOOL DAY TO 6PM

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER

THE MAKING IT MINDFUL

Christmas PARTY

DISCO, SNOW MACHINE, ENTERTAINERS, GIANT
SLIDE, BOUNCY CASTLES, CRAFTS,
SENSORY PLAY, FACEPAINTING,
GINGERBREAD DECORATION AND
A DESSERT WITH EVERY TICKET.



FRIDAY 29TH DECEMBER
11AM - 1.30PM & 3PM 5.30PM
GEORGE MITCHELL SCHOOL
£10 5ND

£10 CHILD
£6 ADULT
UNDER 3'S,
FREE

TO BOOK, HEAD TO
WWW.MAKINGITMINDFUL.CO.UK

FREE TICKETS FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 - 11 YEARS WHO RECEIVE BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND LIVE IN WALTHAM FOREST.

