



Friday 8th May 2026

## Year 6 SATS

The Year 6 children all completed their SATs this week. We now just wait for them to be marked and be sent back to us. We should receive them at the start of July. We would like to thank you for your support in getting your child in to school on time and ready for these— somewhat— stressful tests. We would like to treat the children to a trip to Lloyd's Park to recognise their efforts in completing their SATs in a confident manner. The trip will take place on the morning of Friday 22nd May 2026. We will be having a year 6 picnic and delivering some sporting activities to prepare the year 6s for sport's day.

## Year 1 Phonics

The year 1 children will be having their phonics assessments soon. Ms Khan will be running two parent meetings to explain what it is all about. Monday 9.10am on North and Wednesday 9am on South. Please make sure you attend one of the meetings. There is also information on our website on the learning page [Mission Grove Primary School - Phonics - Statutory Assessment Information](#)

## Book Fair

Thank you to the parents on south for supporting the book fair. All of the commission will go towards buying books for the classrooms on south. The North will have their book fair from the 3rd June. Teachers have booked slots of when they will be taking their children.

The PTA are in full swing for organising the Summer Fair. The date is Saturday July the 11th, time 11am—3.30pm. We already have raffle tickets on sale. If you can help by selling them to family and friends that would be a great help. You can pick up some booklets from the office to sell. The tickets are 50p for one or £2.50 a booklet. You can also buy them through parentpay. Central Estates have kindly agreed to sponsor the event if people agree to have estate agent boards outside their homes. For each board we will get £15. An APP will go out asking for names and addresses. The money raised from the fair will go towards upgrading the sound systems in both dining halls, which we use for assemblies, PE lessons, discos, film nights and much more.

Please can I remind all parents that black footwear is part of our school uniform.

Have a great weekend

Miss Jennings Head Teacher



Bookings for Holiday club are open for the summer holidays.

## PTA Events

We met on Tuesday to talk about up and coming fundraising events for the school.

**June 11th** to celebrate the start of the World Football Cup, we will be having a non- uniform day and asking for a donation of £1.

**June 18th** to celebrate Father's Day ( 21st) we will be having a cake sale and there will cards on sale. There will also be a drawing competition with the children drawing a picture at home of a man who they look up to and is their role model.

## **July 11th is the summer fair.**

If you think you can help by helping on the day or by donating a raffle prize that would be a great help. We will be asking people to have estate boards advertising the event.

## SPECIAL DATES

### ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE BY CLASS

Form	%
Nursery North AM	83.82%
R Goose	86.32%
R Grouse	87.07%
Nursery North PM	88.63%
2 Mallard	88.82%
Nursery South PM	89.97%
5 Sparrow	90.24%
1 Chaffinch	90.32%
Nursery North Full Time	90.39%
4 Wagtail	90.73%
R Goldfinch	90.88%
5 Swan	91.34%
1 Chiff Chaff	91.75%
4 Woodpecker	91.77%
2yr North AM	91.84%
4 Waxwing	92.28%
3 Kittiwake	92.36%
2yr North PM	92.46%
6 Barn Owl	92.63%
2 Merlin	92.79%
5 Swallow	92.99%
R Goldcrest	92.99%
2 Magpie	93.54%
1 Crow	93.73%
4 Wren	93.83%
3 Kingfisher	93.87%
1 Cuckoo	93.99%
6 Blackbird	94.44%
Nursery South AM	94.52%
5 Skylark	94.53%
3 Kestrel	94.75%
6 Buzzard	94.86%
3 Kinglet	95.55%
Nursery South Full Time	95.91%
2 Moorhen	95.93%

### MAY—Article 6 Every child has the right to life

- 18th Skylark Ragged museum  
Year 1 movie night  
9.10am phonics meeting year 1 parents  
North
- 19th Year 2 Wetlands trip  
Year 5 & 6 Cricket competition—selected children
- 20th Year 4 Brazil Day  
9am phonics meeting South Year 1 parents
- 21st Year 1 @ Epping forest  
Swallow @ Ragged museum  
Egypt Day—year 3  
Reception—come dine with your child.
- 22nd Swan & Blackbird class assembly
- 25th—29th Half term Holiday  
No Holiday club



### JUNE -Article 24 Every Child has the right to the best possible health.

- 1st School starts for final half term.  
Closing Date for parent Governor  
Week beginning—Year 4  
MTC tests
- 3rd Book fair North



## SAFARI PETE

What has become an annual event in Reception—the visit of Safari Pete and his animals eventually took place on Thursday. The children were very excited, engaged and brave.





# BEE FRIENDLY STREETS

18-22 May

**REMINDER!**  
Share your HUS' and evidence with us! TfL  
Deadline 15 July

This year's Walk to School Week theme is Bee Friendly Streets! We've created a week-long programme of activities, including games, surveys, art projects and outdoor learning, to help pupils explore pollination and understand how walking, cycling, scooting and wheeling can have a positive impact on bees and other pollinators.

## Our Vision



### EVERYONE AIMS HIGH

I challenge myself to do even better.



### EVERYONE IS INCLUDED

There is always space for one more.



### CREATIVITY IS VALUED

There is more than one way to solve a problem.



### INTEGRITY

I take responsibility for my actions.



### INCLUSION

Our differences make us stronger.

## Our Values



### LIFE-LONG LEARNING

I ask questions and stay curious.



### RESILIENCE

I stay positive and keep trying.



### HIGH ASPIRATIONS

I believe I can achieve great things.

On Wednesday 20th May, Edenred vouchers of £15 per child for the May half-term break, will be issued to all families in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals (FSM). The vouchers will be sent via email from Edenred and **not from** Mission Grove Primary, so please make sure you check your junk/spam mailbox in case it appears in there. Please be aware that the vouchers will automatically expire after 2 months and cannot be reissued by school if they are not redeemed during that time. We only have a short period to resubmit vouchers, so please make sure you come to the office in person so we can check with you on the computer what the issue is.



**Free school meal  
VOUCHERS**



This is just to get you prepared for the upcoming event.



# SUMMER 2026 SESSION CALENDAR

**ALL SESSIONS  
ARE FREE!**

**Waltham  
Forest  
Sole  
Tele**



Waltham Forest has loads of free activities to offer young people, from multisports and basketball to podcasting, crafts, cooking, gaming, and music and video production.

Our Space4All programme provides safe spaces where you can meet new people and try out fun activities with food and snacks. All sessions are free and welcome young people aged 8 to 25 – check individual session info for age ranges.

Check out this flyer for a full list of sessions happening across Waltham Forest. Schedules can change, so don't forget to visit our website for the latest updates!

Visit Space4All web page for more session information: [bit.ly/wfspace4all](https://bit.ly/wfspace4all)



# WALTHAMSTOW

## **The Cotch, Central Parade, Hoe Street, E17 4RT**

**Mondays and Wednesdays, 4.30pm to 6.30pm.** Ages 14 to 25. Chill space, PS5, games, Zine and design club.

**Saturdays, 12pm to 2pm,** girls-only group. Ages 14 to 25. Chill space, podcasting, health, beauty, free period products, healthy relationships and mentoring. Cotch sessions by LB Creative/Lymore Gardens. Drop-in but call 07874 144599 for access.

## **Worth venue at the Green, corner of The Drive and Prospect Hill, E17 3EL**

**Mondays, 3pm to 5pm, term time only.** Ages 11 to 18. Hot chocolate, cooking and games at Worth Unlimited youth van.

## **Priory Court Community Centre, E17 5LU**

**Mondays, 6.30pm to 8pm.** Ages 11 to 18. Indoor activities by Worth Unlimited.

## **MUGA, E17 5LU**

**Thursdays, 3pm to 5pm.** Ages 11 to 18. Football with Footstepz Football Academy and Worth mobile youth van.

## **Big Penny Social, 1 Priestly Way, E17 6AL**

**Mondays, 4pm to 6.30pm.** Ages 11 to 25. Creative activities, games and food by Creative Engagement Services.

## **Wood Street Library, 1 Troubridge Square, E17 3HB**

**Tuesdays, 3.30pm to 5.30pm.** Ages 11 to 25. Podcasting, music production, games, VR, and a chill zone, by Creative Engagement Services.

## **Troubridge Square, E17 3GN Worth Unlimited Mobile Youth Venue**

**Tuesdays, 3pm to 5pm.** Ages 8 to 18. Fun activities, games, skateboarding, cooking and food.

## **elop, Walthamstow**

**Tuesdays, 4.30pm to 6.30pm,** ages 12 to 15;  
**7pm to 9pm,** ages 15 to 18.  
elop and Space4All LGBTQ+ youth group.  
Book: 07720 461158 / youth@elop.org.

## **Walthamstow Family Hub, 313 Billet Road, E17 5PX**

**Tuesdays 4.15pm to 6.30pm,** term time only. Junior youth hub for ages 8 to 12. Email [treasuremekidslondon@gmail.com](mailto:treasuremekidslondon@gmail.com) to register. Games, crafts, indoor sports, cooking and free hot meals.

## **YMCA, Forest Road, E17 3EF**

**Wednesdays, 4pm to 6pm**  
Ages 11 to 19. Multisports, basketball, and youth sessions, by YMCA Youth Services.

## **The Outset Centre, 2a Grange Road, E17 8AH**

**Tuesdays, 4pm to 7pm**  
Ages 11 to 25. Games, food, singing & dancing, Boxing, music studio & chill space by Project Zero.

## **Queens Road Family Hub, 215 Queens Road, E17 8PJ**

**Wednesdays, 4.15pm to 6.30pm, term time only.** Junior youth hub for ages 8 to 12. Email [treasuremekidslondon@gmail.com](mailto:treasuremekidslondon@gmail.com) to register. Games, crafts, indoor sports, cooking and free hot meals.

**Fridays, 3pm to 6pm,** term time only. Ages 11 to 25. Games, food, by Lymore Gardens / LB Creative.

These sessions may change. Visit our Space4All Youth Directory for the latest updates: [bit.ly/wfspace4all](https://bit.ly/wfspace4all)



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THE  
TOGETHER SPACE

# Strength & Fitness Classes



For children aged 11–14 with  
SEND who have low muscle  
tone or reduced mobility



- These classes are for children who want to move at a pace that suits them, thrive in a supportive environment and want to build confidence, strength, posture and alignment through movement
- Weekly on Wednesdays 4.30–5.30pm until 13th May at Gnome House, 7 Blackhorse Lane, E17 6DS
- We offer a FREE TRIAL CLASS for new members, then £10 per class. If cost is a barrier please email [hello@thetogetherspace.co.uk](mailto:hello@thetogetherspace.co.uk)



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CLASS FOR  
NEW MEMBERS!

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WELCOMES YOU TO



COME AND ENJOY A NICE LUNCH WITH  
YOUR CHILD ON

**THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY**

**11.20 - 12.00**

**£4 PER ADULT**



# Science News

## North site pond

Our pond needs some serious TLC. The lining needs replacing and we need to check which plants should be there and shouldn't. If you know of a company or a person who could help us please can you let the office know. We have reached out to some companies but have not heard anything from them. The pond is a haven for tadpoles and a fantastic resource for our Science Curriculum.

Ms Hakeem the Science Lead is keen to utilize the resource more than it is at the moment. This is what we would like it to look like!



## Science Joke of the Week!

Do you have a science joke that's guaranteed to make everyone giggle? Share it with us!



*A photon checks in to a hotel, when asked if they need help with their bags, it responds 'no I'm travelling light'*

Dawoud, Blackbird class

## Science at home!



### Magic Milk Potion!

#### What you need:

- Milk (full-fat works best)
- Washing-up liquid
- Food colouring
- A plate or shallow bowl
- Cotton buds

ALWAYS ask an adult to help you!



#### What to do:

- Pour some milk onto the plate so the bottom is covered.
- Add drops of different food colourings around the milk.
- Dip a cotton bud into washing-up liquid.
- Touch the soapy cotton bud gently onto the milk near the colours.
- Watch the colours burst, swirl, and dance around like a magic potion.

#### Why do you think this was?

I'd love to hear about all the science you have been doing at home!

Bring in photos and come and find me in my classroom (Kestrel class) to let me know what you have been up to.

Or send in your results to the office for the attention of Ms Hakeem.

## Pupil Voice



Pupil voice is an important part of improving teaching and learning, as it helps us understand lessons from the pupils' perspective. The feedback will be used to celebrate what is working well and to help inform future planning in Science.

"I enjoy science because we get to do fun experiments and investigations, like connecting circuits to light bulbs, testing sound, and seeing how heat affects ice. I feel confident in science because teachers explain things step by step, so the knowledge stays in my memory. Using word banks, scaffold sheets, and group work helps me learn best. Sometimes activities like classification can be tricky, and I found the sound topic difficult, but I still enjoy learning new topics such as animals including humans. I would like to do science more often because it is fun, exciting, and helps us learn new facts through investigations. I am inspired by scientists like Prem Singh and by my cousin, who is a pharmacist." **Essa**



"Science makes me feel proud because I am passionate about it and can see how much I have improved. I especially enjoy practical investigations like making circuits and the ice tower experiment. States of matter was challenging at first, but now I know things I did not know before. Knowing the scientific enquiry beforehand helps me understand the lesson and skills we are learning. I enjoy learning about famous scientists such as Isaac Newton and Albert Einstein because it is amazing that people can invent and discover new things. I would love to have science lessons more than once a week because science is exciting and intense in a good way." **Jacob**



## TCS trip



We are thrilled to share that our children took part in an exciting STEAM trip to Tata Consultancy Services as part of the London Mini Marathon Challenge. Out of over 300 schools, we were shortlisted into the final 16 — an incredible achievement! The children worked brilliantly together to design their innovative product, the *Hydro-Cap*, and confidently presented their idea to a panel of judges.

Whilst we didn't take home the top prize, we are extremely proud of how far we progressed. The children received a special shout-out for being the youngest group in the competition — a fantastic recognition of their talent and enthusiasm. They also received a special water bottle and a certificate of participation. Throughout the experience, the children developed valuable skills in teamwork, creativity, problem-solving, and public speaking.

A huge thank you goes to Dr Goodchild who led and organised the club / trip, whose dedication and hard work made this inspiring opportunity possible.

