

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year's National Walk to School Week is taking place 20th-24th May and Davies Lane is taking part. We will join thousands of children across the country celebrating the benefits of walking. We would like to challenge our children (and parents) to walk at least a mile each day (only 20 minutes) to collect daily walking stickers! Your children will bring a Walk to School Week information card home and we look forward to giving out many stickers each day. There will also be a banner design competition with chances for the winning banner to be displayed at our school.

There are many benefits to walking to school:

- **Environmental benefits** – Fewer cars means fewer CO2 emissions are polluting the air, reducing risks to our children.
- **Fitness and health** - Most of us are very aware that childhood obesity is rising. Children need at least an hour of physical activity per day, walking to school is a great way to get some of that exercise.
- **Concentration at school** - Evidence shows that children who are physically active burn off some of their excess energy, and are more able to settle down and focus well in lessons.
- **Road safety skills** - Teaching your child to walk safely to school will stand them in good stead for the rest of their life.
- **Financial benefits** – reduces fuel costs.

This Walk to School Week supports our school drive to reduce the levels of air pollution and numbers of cars idling. Happy Walking!

Have a restful weekend  
Bronwen Chalmers  
Headteacher

## DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 trip: Lee Valley waterworks (Oak & poplar class 10am-2pm)
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 6 Trip: Guildhall Amphitheatre leaving @ 9:30am
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 6 Trip: Guildhall Amphitheatre leaving @ 9:30am
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Coffee Morning – Phonics Screening Check
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 meeting for parents – Osmington Bay @ 9:15am
27 <sup>th</sup> May - 31 <sup>st</sup> May	HALF TERM
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Children Return 8:55am
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5 trip: British Museum (Palm & Spruce)
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 trip: Walthamstow Wetlands Centre

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Children attending teatime club are to be collected from our Mornington Road entrance. For all other after school clubs, please use the main Davies Lane entrance to collect children.
- Please note the school office closes at 4:30pm. If you need to contact the school after 4:30pm select option 2 on the telephone answering system.
- **If you are taking your child to breakfast and teatime club, please make sure payments are made via parent pay two weeks in advance.**
- Please remember to inform the school, 24 hours in advance if you want to cancel breakfast or teatime club or you will still be charged.
- Make sure your parent pay accounts are up-to-date.
- Please note that you can contact the school via email on – [office@davieslane.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:office@davieslane.waltham.sch.uk)
- PARENT PAY SCHOOL MEALS REMINDER We would like to remind you that if you have children year 3, 4, 5 or 6 you are required to prepay for school meals via parent pay
- Your child may still be entitled to free school meals. To find out if you meet the eligibility criteria please use the following link:
- <https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/free-school-meals>

**WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS!**

	<u>MATHEMATICIANS OF THE WEEK</u>	<u>WRITERS OF THE WEEK</u>	<u>SCIENTISTS OF THE WEEK</u>
RECEPTION	EDIE (MAGNOLIA)	AISHA (MAGNOLIA)	OLIVIA (MAPLE)
YEAR 1	LUCAS (LARCH)	ISAAM (LARCH)	JACOB (LARCH)
YEAR 2	RAJPREET (ASH)	IDA (BIRCH)	MATHILDA (ASH)
YEAR 3	DENIS (CHERRY)	SAMUEL (PINE)	IQRAA (CHERRY)
YEAR 4	SAMIH (ELDER)	INAAYA (CHESTNUT)	KASSIDY (TEAK)
YEAR 5	CHAYLA (SPRUCE)	LAKSHMI (OLIVE)	FRANCESCA (HOLLY)
YEAR 6	Well done to the whole of year 6 for working hard this week doing SATs		
ACORN OF THE WEEK		DARIEN (BIRCH)	

**School Direct Salaried Training**

Are you interested in training to become a teacher? Are you looking for a new challenge? Do you have passion for learning?

Train to become a Teacher with us. Our School Direct Programme is delivered by the East London Alliance SCITT who are rated outstanding by OFSTED. We are proud to boast a 100% completion rate (75% outstanding 25% good) and a 100% employment rate last year. If you are passionate about teaching, get in touch!

The Davies Lane Teaching School Alliance is led by Davies Lane Primary school, an outstanding Primary school on the outskirts of the London Borough of Waltham Forest. We have 19 schools in the alliance, many of which are also outstanding so you'll train in an exceptional setting. We offer a School Direct salaried route which culminates in QTS; we also offer a non-salaried School Direct PGCE route which culminates in QTS plus PGCE qualification, accredited by UEL.

The entry requirements for our salaried School direct course:

- GCSE grade C or above (or GCSE grade 5 or above for GCSEs sat in 2017 onwards) or equivalent in English Language, Mathematics and Science.
- A minimum of a lower second class (2:1) bachelor's degree from a UK University, or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard.
- Professional skills test pass in Literacy and Numeracy before 1st July for a September start date to course.

For the salaried route you also need:

• Applicants must also display evidence of their commitment to and enjoyment of, working with children and young people (this may be through voluntary work with young people but must also include 10 days classroom experience within 1 year prior to course start date.

We may be able to offer a 10-day classroom placement within the Arbor Academy to support your application. Contact us for more details.

Places on the Primary School direct salaried route are in high demand so applicants should apply as soon as possible in the year before you wish to start training.

Please contact Nadine Abeng, Director of Teaching School, for further information.

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**Spring Word Search**

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BIRD  
BUD  
EGG  
FLOWER

LAMB  
NET  
RAIN  
SPRING



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**ATTENDANCE %**

**FOR WEEK ENDING 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019**

**THE HIGHEST THREE AND LOWEST THREE ATTENDANCE FOR CLASSES**

1	SYCAMORE	100%
2	MULBERRY	99.60%
3	BIRCH/FIR	99.20%
26	PALM	94.80%
27	PINE	94.40%
28	WALNUT	93.50%