

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by reminding all our parents that the school day starts at 8:55am. We expect that all children are in by that time. Missing even just five minutes at the start of the day has a big impact on your children's learning as key skills in phonics and reading are taught during that time. Please ensure that you leave home promptly each morning, leaving ample time to get to school and allowing time for delays and disruptions on the way. This punctuality will enable the maximum progress for your children. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Last year I wrote about some of the gang and knife crime related activities in our local area and you'll all be aware that there was yet another fatality of a child in Waltham Forest a few weeks ago. Much of the ongoing work done by the police is linked to gang and knife crime. They have done workshops with our pupils in school and will continue to work closely with us. There are gangs active in the Leytonstone area. This makes all children vulnerable. In particular, gangs are targeting the siblings of other young people, more girls and children under the age of 10 years. The Mayor of London has launched a campaign called London Needs You Alive. Further information about gangs and knife crime in London can be found on the Mayor's website: <https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac/london-needs-you-alive-dont-carry-knife>. Your children are never too young for you to begin to talk to them about positive and negative influences. Although you may not want to talk about the horrors of knife crime with children of all ages, it is especially important that these conversations are happening with children. Working Together is the best way to keep our children safe.

Kind regards
Bronwen Chalmers
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

29th January	Year 1 Trip: Museum of Childhood (Juniper & Larch)
29th January	Year 3 Visitor: Egyptians
1st February	Literacy coffee morning (Parents invited 9am-10am)
1st February	Year 4 Visitor – Creative Biscuit (Willow + Elder)
5th February	Reception Trip – Science Museum (Magnolia + Aspen)
5th February	Young voices Performance @ O2
6th February	Year 5 Micro Musical

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
- 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	IQRA (ASPEN)	VANESSA (ASPEN)	EMMA (HAZEL)
YEAR 1	KIERAN (SYCAMORE)	ESTHER (SYCAMORE)	VICTORIA (SYCAMORE)
YEAR 2	LUQMAN (REDWOOD)	MUSA (ROWAN)	TOMI (ROWAN)
YEAR 3	DEREN (POPLAR)	ISABELLE (OAK)	NOAH (POPLAR)
YEAR 4	BRAIDEN (ELDER)	FIZA (WILLOW)	XAVIER (CHESTNUT)
YEAR 5	ROSE (PALM)	JEHANE (OLIVE)	JOSHUA (HOLLY)
YEAR 6	ARTHUR (MULBERRY)	JAMILAH (HORNBEAM)	WAREF (CYPRESS)
	ACORN OF THE WEEK	ZAYN (PALM)	



FRIENDS OF DAVIES LANE PRESENTS

VALENTINES DISCO
THURSDAY 14TH FEBRUARY
SPORTS HALL/CANTEEN NORTH SIDE
(Entrance via infant's playground only)
£2.50 PER TICKET

TICKETS TO BE PURCHASED FROM CLASS TEACHERS
BETWEEN 28TH JAN - 8TH FEB. NO TICKETS AVAILABLE
AT THE DOOR

DISCO 1 (Reception/YR 1)
3.30pm - 4.15pm
To be accompanied by an adult
(Changing room available from 3.15pm)
DISCO 2 (Yr 2, Yr 3)
4.30pm - 5.15pm
To be accompanied by an adult
DISCO 3 (Yr 4,5,6)
5.30pm - 6.30pm
Children can be dropped off and collected via
Mornington Rd entrance only)

Refreshments, snacks and Glow stall available to
purchase at the discos

PLEASE NOTE CHILDREN TO ATTEND THEIR YEAR GROUP
DISCO ONLY, WHERE POSSIBLE ADULT CAN WAIT WITH
SIBLINGS IN A SEPARATE ROOM SHOULD YOU HAVE
CHILDREN ATTENDING DIFFERENT TIMES. THIS WILL
EASE CONGESTION AND CHILDREN CAN ENJOY DISCOS
WITH THEIR FRIENDS



Important Notice

Please note that the school gate opens at 8:40am please
don't bring your child in before that unless for breakfast
club. Also note that parents are not allowed in the front
playground before 3pm when coming to collect their
child.

Balls in the Playground

Children are not permitted to play with balls in the
playground before that school days starts. Please
ensure that your child does not bring a ball in to school
to use between 8:40am when the gates open and
8:55am when school starts. They will be taken away by
the member of staff outside on duty.

ATTENDANCE %
FOR WEEK ENDING 18TH JANUARY 2019
THE HIGHEST THREE AND LOWEST THREE ATTENDANCE FOR
CLASSES

1	HORNBEAM	100%
2	REDWOOD	99.4%
3	CYPRESS	99.3%
22	HAZEL	93.3%
23	MAPLE	91%
24	SPRUCE	90.7%