

Bounds Green School Newsletter



3rd Dec 2021

A Message from Bounds Green

Christmas Performances

This year we have decided to go ahead with our 'in person' Christmas celebrations. This will take place on Wednesday 15th December (see timetable below). The event will be led by Elena Browne (Singing Teacher), and Annie Ray (Year 2 Class Teacher).

Please note, as the event will be held outside, it may be subject to cancellation at short notice if there is inclement weather.

RECEPTION	9:15am – 9:25am
YEAR 1	9:30am – 9:40am
YEAR 2	9:45am – 9:55am
YEAR 3	10am – 10:10am
YEAR 4	10:15am – 10:25am
YEAR 5	11:15am – 11:25am
YEAR 6	11:30am – 11:40am

Our plans take into account risk factors, but we wanted to make clear the following points:

- The performances will take place outside, in the ball court. The performances will be 10 minutes long.
- Only two adults per family may attend.
- All adults attending must wear masks on the school site at all times.
- We ask that adults take a Lateral Flow test before attending any performance.
- Please arrive a few minutes before your child's allocated performance and enter the school via the main gate on Bounds Green Road. At the end of the performance, please leave the school site promptly via Park Road.
- Adults attending will be unable to stay on site to wait for other class performances.
- We ask all those attending any performance to socially distance from one another.
- If you intend to bring a younger, non-school age sibling, these children must be kept with you at all times.



Nut-Free School

Please remember that we are a nut-free school, this includes After School Club. Please don't bring an After School Club snack for your child that includes nuts, such as; peanut butter sandwiches, granola bars (as many also contain nuts), etc.

School Payments

As we've now started a new academic year, we'd like to remind parents and carers to please keep up to date with their school payments. You can make payment via School Gateway using your mobile and email address. If you are having any troubles with creating an account or logging in, please make sure that the office has the most up-to-date information for you.

School Pick Ups

If you have arranged for someone different to collect your child from school, please make sure you phone the school office before 3pm to let us know who will be collecting. Please don't email in case this isn't seen in time. If someone different comes to collect a child and we haven't been told then we will need to contact the parent to get confirmation before we can release the child.

School News

Trips and Workshops Information on School Gateway

Once trips/workshops are set up on the school gateway the school will email you with all the details of the trip or workshop that will be going ahead, so please ensure the school has the correct details on the system, if you have changed any of your details please contact the school and we will update our system accordingly.

If the trip/workshop is free and we will only need permission for your child to attend. Once you have logged into your account please select the 'Payments tab' and scroll down and select the trip, then you can give your permission. Please make sure that you 'check out' your basket for the permission to come through to us.

School Meals

All Infants children (Reception-Year 2) are entitled to Universal Free Meals (different from Free School Meal entitlement), if your child is having packed lunch in these year groups and you would like to change to school lunches please email Ashleigh in the school office and she will amend the meal pattern and let you know when your child can start.

Email: arobertson@boundsgreen.haringey.sch.uk or call school office on 0208 888 8824.

Junior children (year 3-6) you will have to pay for school meals, unless you entitled to Free School Meals. If you think you entitled to the Free School Meals you can email Janice in the school office with the parent's full name, date of birth and National Insurance number, and then she can check your eligibility with Haringey.

Email: Janice@boundsgreen.haringey.sch.uk (free school meals)

School meals are £2.38 per day (£11.90 per week) and must be paid in advance as the food is pre ordered and to avoid a debt building. This is payable on your school gateway account using the app or website, and you can set this up using www.schoolgateway.co.uk. The information you need to set up your account is your email address and mobile number, these details must match the details you have given the school for the account to link to your child. Please contact the school office on 0208 888 8824 if you are having any issues setting up your account.

If you decide to change your child's meal type at any time in the school year, please contact the school office first (using the details above) as the computer system needs to be changed to the correct meal type, if it is not changed the system will continue charge you for the school meals.

If you have downloaded the school gateway app on your mobile phone please ensure to turn on your notifications, to do this you have to go on your settings and switch notifications on, this will allow you to be aware of any communication from the school.

Information for Current Year 2 Parents going into Year 3 in September 2022

Once your child goes into year 3 they will need to start paying their school meals, therefore it is vital that you are clear with what meal type they are having at school.

This information is very important to avoid a school meal debt occurring as the debt cannot be removed, and will need to be paid. In July 2022 information will be sent via email and text with a link to an online form, please ensure you complete this once received, this will ensure you child will get the meal type you have chosen for them when they start in year 3. Please note what meal type you have chosen to save any confusions when they start in September.

PTA News

Don't forget our PTA Outdoor Festive Winter Market on Saturday 4th December!

We're excited about our first ever outdoor festive market on Saturday 4th December from 1-4pm. Entry £2 for adults. Free for children. The festive market will be our first real life PTA fundraising event since the pandemic, and in order to be Covid-safe it will take place outside in the playground. We will have hand sanitiser available at the entrance, and we will encourage mask-wearing even though the event is outside. There will be market stalls with items for sale from local businesses and crafts people, festive food and drinks and entertainment for the children.

Raffle Prizes

- Fire 7 Tablet with 7" display, 16GB, Twilight Blue
- Jeroboams Food Hamper with bottle of wine
- Leafy Bean donation
- Old Bakery Gin Mini Gin & Tonic Gift Set
- Pattie & Co Baby Blanket
- 'Illuminatlas' book donated by House of Books

Silent Auction

Here is the list of silent auction lots. You can bid on the day at the event. If you want to bid on anything in advance, please contact the PTA on bgspta@outlook.com before end of day Friday 3rd December.

- Art for Art Sake £20 voucher
- Clowntown tickets x 2 (value £19)
- David Hockney offset Lithograph poster from Tomkinson Church (76x96cm) worth £140. "This original posters features one of David Hockney's designs for The Rake's Progress and was created in 1981 for an exhibition of costume drawings and set designs at The Ashmolean Museum, Oxford. (Minimum bid £50).
- Voucher for 1 day Art Camp with Alix Smith worth £40
- Everyman cinema tickets x 2 (value £32)
- Hampstead Butchers vouchers (value £50)
- Family portrait by illustrator Jo Gold (for family of 4 - value £100)
- Gong Bath with Soundstatis worth £15
- HMS Belfast: 2 x adult plus 2 x child tickets (value £75) plus free guide book
- Jessie Maeve Studio framed Artist print A3 (value £40)
- Laser Quest Enfield: 4 free game vouchers (value £26)
- Laboratory Spa & Health Club membership for 2 people for period of 1 month (value £240)
- London Football Academy – 2 x vouchers to an upcoming event worth £145 each
- London Transport Museum 2 x adult tickets (free entry for children) (value £35)
- LUAP artist print worth £800. Titled 'Tranquility', Acrylic & screenprint 76 cm x 56 cm (2021)
- Muswell Hill Golf Club weekday four ball voucher - valid until December 2022 (value £200)
- Photo Shoot with Carrie Jeffreys worth £150
- 2 x Planet Organic gift card worth £25 each
- Planet Youth Camp Winter holiday gift voucher for 3 days of camp (£112)
- Reflexology session with Amy Culpepper (value £50)
- Salsa lesson for 2 - private lesson with Sureka
- Signed Spurs Pennant from Tottenham Hotspur Football Club (value £80-£100)
- 3 vouchers for 4 x 1 hour Tennis Lessons with James Mott Tennis for children ages 3-16 to be redeemed in January 2022. Each session worth £32 (maximum 1 voucher per child)

Entertainment

Entertainment during the winter market for children will include; Meet Santa Claus, Puppet Show, Tea Cup ride, face painting, art activities and glitter tattoos. We will be selling tickets for the individual activities.

PTA Cafe and Merchandise

We will have a PTA Cafe and a stand selling our Bounds Green School logo backpacks, bumbags, masks and water bottles. Also we have some amazing Raffle prizes - you can buy tickets at the event on Saturday - and a brilliant selection of lots in our silent auction. Thank you so much to all the businesses and friends of Bounds Green School and PTA who donated prizes for the raffle and lots for the auction!

Important Dates

Dates for your Diary

Below are important dates of which you should be aware. Wherever there is a new addition, it will be printed in **bold** so that it stands out. In the case of Educational Visits, we aim to give as much notice as possible, however, please be mindful that occasionally last minute, educationally enriching opportunities arise which are considered too good an opportunity to pass up. Please look at this section of the newsletter every week as there are sometimes unavoidable changes to dates that you will need to take note of.

Please also see the Calendar on the school website: <https://boundsgreenschool.co.uk/new-and-events/school-calendar/>

<p><u>December 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 03.12.21 – CW Trip to the Lyric Theatre • 04.12.21 – PTA Winter Market • 10.12.21 – Pad & E&C Trip to the Lyric Theatre • 16.12.21 – Christmas Dinner and Paper Hat day • 17.12.21 – Last Day of Autumn term 	<p><u>April 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 01.04.22 – Last day of Spring term • 19.04.22 – First day of Summer term
<p><u>January 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 04.01.22 – INSET Day – whole school closed • 05.01.22 – First day of Spring term • 15.01.22 – Deadline for Reception admissions 	<p><u>May 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30.05.22-03.06.22 – Summer half term holidays
<p><u>February 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14.02.22-18.02.22 – Spring half term holiday • 21.02.22 – First day of Spring 2nd half term 	<p><u>June 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17.06.22 - INSET Day – whole school closed • 06.06.22 – First day of Summer 2nd half term
<p><u>March 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<p><u>July 2022</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21.07.22 – Last day of Summer term



RAFT (Road Awareness For Tots and Teens)

On Monday 29th and Wednesday 1st December, Laura from RAFT (Road Awareness For Tots and Teens) visited Bounds Green to deliver interactive Road Safety assemblies/workshops for all classes as part of our Road Safety week. The children really enjoyed these workshops, and have hopefully been putting into practice what they have learnt!

Please see below a copy of RAFT's 'Top Tips for Parents/Carers.'

Reminder: The deadline for entries to our Road Safety Week competition is Monday – please hand into the office.



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Road **A**wareness **F**or **T**ots to **T**eens

Top 10 Tips for promoting Road Awareness and Safety to young children



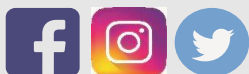
'Stop, look, listen, think' whilst holding hands or using reins.

Promote handholding at all times and the message that adults keep you safe near roads.
Point out adults that help us cross the roads, i.e., lollipop man/lady.

Sing songs to reinforce messages about traffic and road awareness, i.e., 'Twinkle, twinkle traffic light'. (RAFT courses use a number of road awareness songs in teaching children).

Sit on a bench on the way to the local shops or park and discuss different modes of transport, colours of vehicles, the speed (fast and slow) with your child.

When you are out and about with your child reinforce the message that cars/lorries/bicycles (whatever modes of transport you see) use the road and people use the pavements.





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Road Awareness For Tots to Teens

Discuss safe playing areas (e.g., the park) and NEVER play near roads.

Take a toy car and ask your child to touch it and ask is it 'hard' or 'soft'? Then ask your child to feel their tummy and ask if it is 'hard' or 'soft' – explain cars are 'hard' and we are 'soft', and cars can hurt us.

Make a conscious effort to stop when crossing driveways to check no cars are coming in or out of driveways and explain what and why you are doing this to your child.

Wear bright clothes on a dark/cloudy/dull day and fluorescent and reflective clothes at night, explain that this is so you can be seen from far away by traffic.

Involve your child in where to cross the road, discuss safe places to cross; pelican crossing, zebra crossings. Also discuss why crossing in between/near parked cars can be dangerous (cannot be seen).

Never say 'ok' when crossing the road, always be clear in saying 'it is safe to cross now' in case you are distracted and say 'ok' near a road and your child assumes it is safe to cross.

To book please call or text Laura on **07946 222 465** , email info@raftuk.com or visit our website booking page www.raftuk.com and go to Sessions and Booking page.



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