Bounds Green School Newsletter



3rd March 2025

A Message from Bounds Green

A Message from Helen

A warm welcome back to you all following the February half-term break. It has been fantastic to see so many of our children returning to school with enthusiasm and a focused approach to their learning. It makes us very proud watching them settle well into the second half of the spring term.

As you will have heard (email sent out this morning) Nadine has had some very sad news, and for the time being, she will take leave of absence, to be with her husband. I am sure you are all thinking of her and look forward to welcoming her back when she is ready.

In the meantime, I have agreed to step up as lead of the school and will do this role as long as Nadine is absent. The Senior Leadership Team and the staff of the school are fully in support of this arrangement.

For those of you who do not know me, my name is Helen, and I have been Deputy of this school under 3 different headteachers, over the last 30+ years. I, and the SLT, have successfully led the school on two previous occasions, and therefore feel well equipped to take on this role, once again. I will be available at the school gate every morning, so please say hello.

This week is book week, with events kicking off tomorrow with an oral story teller. It is World Book Day on Thursday, 6 March, on that day we would love the children to come to school dressed up as a character from a book, (the staff will be dressing up too!).

This half term we look forward to seeing you all at our parents' evenings, where you will get the chance to be updated on your child's progress in school. Our school choir will be performing at the Royal Albert Hall on Tuesday 18th March. That's going to be an amazing experience for all involved. We also have lots of fun activities planned for PSHE, including meeting Sean Rose, a Paralympian (see more information below).

We will be holding our first coffee morning with Haringey's Education Welfare Officer and our school Nurse, who will be giving us tips on how to support you with attendance. Please look out for the invite. It should be coming soon.

Our Y5's children are going to the Science Museum tomorrow and our Y3's will be going to the theatre and performing their dance routines at the end of term. Our Y4's will put on their WCIT performances, later on in the month. Our Y2's and Reception children will also put on a singing performance for us. We look forward to seeing many of you at these events, and of course don't forget the PTA's, Quiz Night on Fri 28th March!

Nut-Free School

Please remember that we are a nut-free school, this includes After School Club. Please don't pack 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 an on-going reminder we'd like to make sure parents and carers 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.

Reporting Absences and Late Collections

If you need to report your child absent for any reason (sickness, appointment, etc) then please make sure you do this through the voicemail service on the phone, or through a text on School Gateway. Please don't email the admin email address as this is not continually monitored, especially during busy periods so may not be seen until later in the day.

For any late collections or if someone different is collecting, please also call directly to the office with as much notice as possible so that it can be passed onto the teacher

School meals

Currently, school meals are free for Reception to Year 6 children. However, please ensure you email the school office admin@boundsgreen.haringey.sch.uk if you wish to change your child's meal type. This is important because the school still pays for meals, and the kitchen prepares food based on the number of children registered. Children must either have a school meal or a packed lunch, as the food is pre-ordered each week for the number of meals required. If we are not informed of your child's meal choice, it may result in insufficient food being prepared.



Reminder to Parents and Visitors: Smoking Near School Gates

This has been bought to our attention that there have been a number of parents and visitors smoking right outside the school gates or near the stairs. While we understand that smoking is a personal choice, we kindly ask that you avoid smoking near the school entrance, particularly during school drop-off and pick-up times when families are coming in and out of the building.

Although we are unable to enforce a smoking ban for the general public, as it only applies to school staff, we encourage everyone to

consider the health and comfort of our school community. If possible, please smoke away from the gates to help maintain a welcoming environment for all. Thank you for your cooperation!



NARNIA KIDS CASTING CALL!

Nina Gold (PADDINGTON, STAR WARS, THE CROWN, GAME OF THRONES) is looking for two exceptionally talented kids, a boy and a girl, to play important roles in a new NARNIA film that Oscar nominated Greta Gerwig (BARBIE, LITTLE WOMEN, LADY BIRD) has written and will direct. We want to hear from all interested young actors, regardless of experience. We are looking for a boy and a girl to play characters that are 10/11 years old.

The film will rehearse and shoot from June – Christmas 2025 in the UK. Parents and guardians are asked to apply by email to casting@ninagold.co.uk with name, age, location, height, along with a short piece to camera (on a phone is fine, approx. 30 seconds) about their happiest memory.

Parents and Guardians must state their relationship to the applicant and that they have their permission to be considered for a role in this production. – Please only use this email address to apply.

Children absence/signing Children in/out:

Please remember that if your child has had or needs to have any time off, or if there are any planned absences (such as holidays), it is important to communicate this directly with the school office. Kindly **do not** inform the teacher about these absences. The office needs to have accurate records for our attendance system.

Additionally, if your child arrives late due to an appointment or other reasons, please ensure that they are signed in at the office. If you need to collect your child early (e.g., for an appointment or because they have been unwell), please sign them out at the office as well.

These procedures are in place to ensure we have accurate information for safety purposes, especially in the event of an emergency or fire alarm.



Attendance and Punctuality

For more information about Children's attendance and punctuality at school, please see this information on our School's website, please see link below:

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School News

<u>Free wellbeing courses online for parents, carers and teens</u>

Free online courses and resources on emotional health, child development and parent wellbeing for all Haringey families. Plus, specialist emotional and mental health learning for teenagers. Through the Family Hub Programme, we have commissioned a multi-year licence providing access to a variety of resources and training modules. This link offers detailed information about the programme and how to join: Free wellbeing online courses in Haringey – inourplace

Lost Property Reminder

We have accumulated a large amount of lost property. Tess will be placing all unclaimed items on tables for viewing on **Wednesday**, **Thursday**, **and Friday next week**. Please take a moment to

check if anything belongs to your child. Any remaining items at the end of the week will be donated to charity.



The Junior bake off July 2025

My name is Kate. I'm a Series Producer at Love Productions; the production company behind **The Great British Bake Off.** We are looking for young budding bakers between **9-15 years old**, to complete an application please click on the link: www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

Filming would take place from July 2025, but our **applications** close on **Sunday 23rd March 2025**.



PE & Dance Wear Expectations

A polite reminder that children are expected to dress appropriately for PE and Dance sessions at school. Children all know when their PE day and Dance day (different year groups throughout the year) are, so please make sure they have the correct clothing and footwear on those days, and to bring in a water bottle.



NO:

- ✗ Crocks, football boots, boots, flip−flops, sandals
- X Jewellery. All jewellery must be removed
- X Jeans, skirts, tights, dresses



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.

Important Note on Dates:

We aim to provide parents with advance notice of important dates; however, due to various factors, sometimes these dates may need to be adjusted. For many of our performances, we work with external teachers who have other commitments, and we also need to balance performances across the school. We appreciate your understanding and flexibility if any changes occur.

Any changes will be highlighted yellow for attention:

March 2025	June 2025
 04.03.25 Kew Gardens & Covent Garden Trip to Science Museum 04.03.25-Special dessert "pancake day" 05.03.25- Storytelling with Nana Ayebi-Kwakye (whole school)Throughout the school day. Parents' evening W/C 10.03.24- parents will be emailed 06.03.25-World Book day 19.03.25-Redbridge & Putney Bridge to little Angel theatre 19.03.25- Great Athletes Paralympian visiting whole school 18.03.25-Royal Albert hall- Y5 Choir Performance (TBC) 21.03.25- Reception trip to Pickled Pepper bookshop 24.03.25-WCIT Guitars Euston Square 2.45pm (Lower hall) 26.03.25-WCIT Violins Russell Square 2.45pm (Lower hall) 27.03.25-London bridge trip to Little Angel theatre 27.03.25- Haringey Dance Festival trip (parents will be emailed) 	21.06.25 Summer Fair (more details to follow)
details)31.03.25- Y4 Trip- Leicester Square & Russell Square to Centre of cell	
April 2025 • 01.04.25-Y3 dance performance 9.15am (New date)- downstairs hall • 02.04.25-Y2 singing performance 2.55pm (New date) • 04.04.25 Canary Wharf Dance performance 9.15am • 04.04.25- Y4 Trip Euston Square to Centre of cell • 04.04.25 – Last Day of School • 22.04.25 – First Day of School (Summer Term)	July 2025 • 04.07.25 INSET Day (school closed to all children) • 22.07.25 – Last Day of School
May 2025 ■ 05.05.25 – Bank Holiday – School Closed ■ w/c 26.05.25 – Half Term Holidays	SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

Class Attendance and Punctuality Winners!

Week Beginning 27 th January 2025							
Attendance Winners for Yr1-2 Percentage of attendance	Regents park	96%					
Attendance Winners for Yr3-4 Percentage of attendance	Redbridge	96%					
Attendance Winners for Yr5-6 Percentage of attendance	Barons Court	97.2%					
Week Beginning 3 rd February 2025							
Attendance Winners for Yr1-2 Percentage of attendance	Regents Park	96.3%					
Attendance Winners for Yr3-4 Percentage of attendance	Putney Bridge	98.3%					
Attendance Winners for Yr5-6 Percentage of attendance	Island Gardens	94.4%					







List of Available Clubs at Bounds Green School

We offer 21 clubs each week!

Club Lead	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays				
Lunch Time Clubs – 12:00 – 1:15pm									
Randolf Borces - Radiant Chess	Chess Club - Years 1 & 2	Taekwondo Club - Years 4 - 6		Taekwondo Club – Years2 - 3	Chess Club - Years 3 - 6				
Services	12:15 – 1:00pm	12.30 – 1:00pm		12:30 – 1:00pm	12:30 – 1:15pm				
Claire Murat					French Club				
					(Year 1-6) -				
					12:10 – 1:15pm				
By Andrew Walsh			Year 3 & 4 Choir						
Traion.			12:45pm - 1:15pm						
By Alexis – our Year 6 Teacher				Pokémon Club –					
rear o reacher				Years 4 – 6,					
				12.30 – 1pm					
By Ismini – our Year 3 Teacher	Newspaper Club (Year 6) -								
	12:30 – 1pm								
By Louise Blair (SoleStar Arts)	Dance Club –	Dance Club – Year 5							
	Year 1 & 2 12:30 – 1:00pm	12:35pm -1:15pm							
		Activity Clubs -	 3:30pm – 4:30pm						
We also have our After School Club - Nursery: 3pm – 6pm Reception – Year 6: 3:25pm – 6pm									
By London Football Academy (LFA)	Boys Football - Years 3-6	Gymnastics - Years 1 & 2	Dodgeball - Years 1- 6	Boys Football - Year 1 & 2	Multisports - Years 1-6				
, ,		Girls Football Years 1-6	Reception - Football (Summer Term 2025)						
By ARTeach	Actors Clubs - Year 3-6		Musical Bubbles Rec & Year 1	Drama Kids - Years 1 & 2					
By Danni - our	Art Club - Years 1		DT Club - Years 3-6	Art Club - Years 3-6					
Art Teacher	& 2								