Bounds Green School Newsletter

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2nd June 2025

A Message from Bounds Green

A Message from Nadine

The first Summer half term finished with exciting events across the school! Our Year 4 choir took part in a trip to Wigmore Hall to perform with other schools for an audience which included many Bounds Green families. Our Reception children enjoyed an exciting free drama workshop, provided for us by Drama 4 All. Over the last few weeks, selected children in Years 3 to 6 have been taking part in cricket training sessions with a coach from Middlesex County Cricket Club, and will go to compete in a tournament in the first week of this half term. We are very grateful to Middlesex County Cricket Club for this opportunity for our children. Until the end of the year, some of our Year 6 children are now taking part in additional swimming lessons on Friday afternoons to teach them to swim 25 metres without help before they leave Bounds Green School.

In the week beginning 12th May, Year 6 impressed all of us with their resilient and focused approach to their end of Key Stage 2 assessments well done year 6! They have worked hard all of this year to make great progress and to ensure that they were ready. They celebrated on Friday 16th May with a visit to the local park for a picnic and games. Our Year 2 children have also been completing optional national Key Stage 1 tests, set by the government but marked at school, which have provided information for our teachers about the children's progress.

On Thursday 16th May, the whole school celebrated the opening of our Reading Garden! We all brought our books outside and sat on rugs in the Ball Court. Catherine Lima, our School Librarian, cut the ribbon and two Golden Ticket winners from each class were the first readers into our garden. Thank you to our PTA for funding our Reading Pods, and to Marie for organising our opening event.





We are looking forward to our new half term, when there will be more exciting and memorable events for your children.

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

Reception Trip to Highgate Woods

Reception had a fantastic time on their trip to Highgate Woods on Friday 23rd May. We had an exciting day exploring nature and getting creative outdoors. We built dens, working together like real woodland adventurers. We also made bark rubbings, pressing crayons over paper to reveal the textures of the trees and created our own sticky tape nature art by collecting leaves, and other natural treasures to stick onto tape and create our own forest masterpieces. It was a wonderful day full of discovery and imagination!







Year 4 Athletics Tournament

A group of 8 fantastic Year 4 pupils recently represented our school at an Athletics Tournament held at New River Sports Centre – and what a day it was! With the sun shining and spirits high, the children gave it their all and competed in a range of events, from long jump to a very challenging 400-meter race.

We're incredibly proud to say that our team were a real credit to the school. They showed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day, cheering each other on and supporting their teammates. Their teamwork and positive attitude stood out just as much as their athletic efforts.

Out of 22 schools who took part, we came 8th overall – a brilliant achievement! A special congratulations goes to Nico and Rudy who brought home individual medals for their overall performances. Achieving 1st and 2nd place respectively out of all 176 children who took part yesterday. Well done, boys!

It was a fantastic day full of energy, determination, and fun. A huge thank you to the parents who supported the trip – and well done to all the children who took part. You made us very proud!





Children's 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, and will inform your child's teacher for you.

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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Footwear Reminder: No Flip-Flops, Only Sandals with Straps!

As we start enjoying the warmer weather, we'd like to remind everyone that flip-flops are not allowed in school. They don't give enough support and can be tricky to walk in, which might lead to trips or slips—especially when you're playing outside at break time. If you'd

like to wear summer shoes, please choose sandals that cover your foot properly or have support around the ankle. Sandals must have straps to keep them safely on your feet. Let's all stay safe and comfortable while enjoying the warmer weather.



Online Safety

Please see links below on a number of online safety guides for parents/carers.

Internet matters – Roblox <u>www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/parents-guide-to-roblox-and-how-your-kids-can-play-it-safely/</u>

Internet Matters <u>www.internetmatters.org</u>

London Grid for

Learning https://lgfl.net/safeguarding

NSPCC www.net-aware.org.uk

UK Safer Internet

Centre www.saferinternet.org.uk



Other useful websites for parents/carers

https://www.childline.org.uk/

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers

Lost property this week

Our lost property will be placed outside in the playground by the Nursery. Please check and collect any items on **Wednesday**, **Thursday**, **or Friday this week**. **All uncollected items will be donated to charity after Friday**.

Thank you for your cooperation!



WALK TO SCHOOL/ACTIVE TRAVEL WEEK 19th - 23rd MAY 2025

Our school has taken part in Walk/Be Active to School Week. The nationwide event created by Living Streets and promoted by Haringey Council is designed to help pupils experience first-hand the importance of active travel to school. Children who travel to school by walking, wheeling, scooting or cycling will be well on their way to reaching their recommended 60 minutes minimum of physical activity per day before even reaching the school gates! Not only will it set them up for a positive day in the classroom, but it also helps create healthy habits for life. It will also help reduce congestion and pollution around the school gates.



The class with the highest number of children participating will receive a special class prize!

<u>Safety Reminder for Our School Community</u>

For the safety of all our pupils and families, we kindly ask that parents and carers do not ride bikes on the pavements around the school and in our school playgrounds. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe and respectful for everyone.





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 whichare 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:

June 2025

- 03.06.25-Year 6 Girls Cricket Tournament
- 04.06.25-Year 6 Boys Cricket Tournament
- 06.06.25-Russell square Trip to Guildhall Art Gallery
- 17.06.25-Year 5 trip to Laurel Park School
- 17.06.25-Year 3 Trip to Science Museum
- 19.06.25-Year 6 trip to The Tower of London
- 21.06.25 Summer fair (more details to follow)
- 27.06.25 Sports day Y1-3 Am and Y4-6 PM (more details will be emailed)
- 30.06.25-Nursery Drama/Dance performance at 2.15pm

July 2025

- 02.07.25-Nursery & Reception Sports day- 9.30-10.30am
- 03.07.25- Nursery Drama/Dance Performance at 9.15am (Repeat performance)
- 04.07.25 INSET Day (school closed to all children)
- 07.07.25 -Final WCIT performance for Yr4&5 Guitars continuers 2.45pm
- 09.07.25- Final WCIT performance for Yr4&5 Violins continuers 2.45pm
- 10.07.25-WCIT and Trumpets performance 9.15am (Junior lower hall)
- 11.07.25-Yr 3,4,5 and 6 Choir summer performance 4.00pm (Junior lower hall)
- 15.07.25-Year 6 Show (more details will be emailed)
- 17.07.25-Year 2 end of year performance
- 22.07.25 Last Day of School

Week Beginning 05/05/25		
Attendance Winners for Yr1-2 Percentage of attendance	Regents Park	99.2%
Attendance Winners for Yr3-4 Percentage of attendance	Russell Square	100%
Attendance Winners for Yr5-6 Percentage of attendance	Ravens Court	99.6%
Week Beginning 12/05/25		
Attendance Winners for Yr1-2 Percentage of attendance	Regents Park	100%
Attendance Winners for Yr3-4 Percentage of attendance	Leicester Square	98.7%
Attendance Winners for Yr5-6 Percentage of attendance	Ravens Court	100%





