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| **A Message from Bounds Green** | | |
| **A Message from Helen**  Dear Parent/Carers  What a great year it has been! Let’s take a moment to reflect on our many achievements, milestones and memories that have made this year so special. From the very first day of the school year to our recent end-of-year celebrations, our children have shown incredible growth, resilience and joy in their learning. We are so proud of each and every child for the effort they have put in, the friendships they have formed, and the kindness they have shown.  Whether it was Sports Day and tournaments, Book Week, Black History Month activities, music or dance performances, or the school newspaper *The Green Paper*, our children truly shone.  Our trips enriched learning experiences outside the classroom. Thank you to all families who supported and made these possible. Our fundraising events by the PTA and volunteers across the school for reading and Little Wandle, your support has made a difference.  **Congratulations** to our Y6s who are ready for the BIG adventure. We’ll miss their smiles and energies, but we are confident they’ll continue to grow and thrive in their new schools.  A heartfelt thank you to all our staff, families and children for making this year such a successful year. Your dedication, support, and enthusiasm have meant the world to us. We could not have done it without you. Here’s to another even brighter year ahead. See you all on, Wed 3rd September 2025.  Bye- bye  All the teachers leaving - Tessa, Annie, Henry, Abdul - have made an incredible impact during their time at Bounds Green, and their absence will be deeply felt by staff, children and families alike.  Tessa is retiring after working at Bounds Green for 25 years.  We thank Tessa for her years of commitment to our school community. Annie, Abdul and Henry are moving on to new career opportunities.  We would like to thank them for their dedication and hard work throughout the years.  They will all be truly missed.  We wish them all the very best for the future.  Though saying goodbye can be difficult, it also opens the door to renewal — we are hoping that our new staff will bring fresh ideas and energy that will enrich and complement the unique makeup of our school community. We look forward to working with Shanu, Saarah and Anthony.  Wishing you a joyful and safe summer break    We are setting up a local **Bounds Green, Bowes Park & Woodside sustainable fashion network** 🌍 — including a website 💻, clothes swap/mend workshops 🧶, and a shared market stall 🛍️ to help people sell and promote what they’re making — whether it’s just a few handmade pieces 🎨 or something more established 🏷️.  This is **for anyone who creates, mends, or up-cycles** clothing, accessories, or wearable art 👗👚👕👖📦🧑‍🎨 — **and for local people who want to buy from, learn from, and connect with others** ✂️🪡.  💬 We aim to support local makers and menders, host workshops and events, and run a shared market stall and pop-up shop.  ✨Sign up below to find out more!**.**💚  Massively appreciated,  <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc9jVXgHIPENS9mRLk6srTSGL3I-OH1stkwihCIPCG3xG_9ZA/viewform>  **Thank you to our amazing fundraiser!**  One of our Year 2 pupils, from Regent’s Park class, decided to hold a special fundraising drive to raise funds for our School Library.  He made sunflower kits which he sold to his class friends. The total raised is £180, which has been donated to the school to spend on new books.  The Only Online Library Fundraiser ...3,630 Donation Thank Stock Vectors and ...  **Year 6 Spanish Picnic**  The Year 6 children had an amazing time at the end of year Spanish Picnic last Wednesday the 16th.   Huge long tables in the playground meant everyone sat together.  The afternoon was full of great food, good vibes, Spanish music and dance with the highlight being 'Los Churros'.  Here is what they had to say:  **'I really enjoyed the Spanish Picnic and my friends and I had an absolute blast.  I loved the churros and how the chocolate was warm. I would love to do it again.' Naomi**  **'I really enjoyed drinking the Gazpacho because it tasted really good.  I also liked helping out Sylvia.' Harry**  **‘I loved and really enjoyed the Spanish Picnic, the olives were amazing and it was fun dancing to the Spanish music.' Marios**  **Sports Day celebration assembly**  Last Friday was Sports Day celebration assemblies. Bronze, silver and gold medals were handed out to individuals for their achievements in the sprint races. Agua was the house which won the overall most points from the day, and their name was carved on the Sports Day shield.  **Message to Parents/Carers from Internet Matters:**  **Is your child chatting to a real friend - or an AI chatbot?**  https://i.emlfiles4.com/cmpimg/7/4/1/6/5/3/files/659631_safety-email.pngAI Chatbots are built into platforms children are using every day on their phones and other devices. Research from [Internet Matters](https://email.internetmatters.org/c/AQiz3hUQ-I6cARilnv0qIIHukgqs099AvKf1p5CO-eATohGjlARIxAKFZM3x_MbwEnRvLA)**, shows that two-thirds of children are using AI chatbots** like ChatGPT, Snapchat's My AI, character ai and others, and they're being used for schoolwork, to seek advice and even for companionship\*.  **Chatbots interact in a human-like way**, they are always available, are friendly and non-judgemental, and use empathetic language - which can make children feel acknowledged and understood. However, this makes it harder for children to recognise that they're interacting with a tool rather than a real person. Chatbots are not real and their responses cannot always be trusted.  Also, they're **often not designed with children in mind** - most lack safety settings or parental controls. So if children ask for advice on sensitive topics, the lack of age checks plus inconsistent filtering mean they may be presented with responses that are inappropriate for their age.  To help you get to grips with what AI chatbots are, and for advice and tips on how you can help your children use them safely, [**check out Internet Matters new AI information hub.**](https://email.internetmatters.org/c/AQiz3hUQ-I6cARilnv0qIIHukgqs099AvKf1p5CO-eATohGjlARIxAKFZM3x_MbwEnRvLA)  **Age checks are coming**  By 25th July, some online platforms will be required to have age checks in place to help give children a safer experience - this includes Roblox, Discord, Fortnite, YouTube, amongst others.  Internet Matters have partnered with Verifymy, to help you understand exactly what “Age checks” mean, how it helps and bust some common myths. [Check out their new resource to learn more.](https://email.internetmatters.org/c/AQiz3hUQ-I6cARilnv0qIILukgqBFMx2Twf8U71MABdlL2QTgeF4QSBHVwCaw5PwIzv0lQ)  https://i.emlfiles4.com/cmpimg/7/4/1/6/5/3/files/338624_twgt_lockup_blue.png |  | **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  **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.  Image result for attendance at school pictures  **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:  [Bounds Green School Attendance and Punctuality 2024](https://boundsgreenschool.co.uk/parents/parent-information/attendance-punctuality/)  Image result for punuality at school pictures |
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**School Street**

Our School Street **SS48 Bounds Green Primary for Park Road and Bounds Green Slip Road** launches on **Wednesday 3rd September 2025.**

This will create a safer environment for children outside the school. Vehicles without exemption will not be able to enter the School Street between**8:30am to 9:30am** and **3:00pm to 4:00pm** during term time. Please look at ways to walk, scoot, cycle, wheel or use public transport to get to and from school. Blue Badge Exemptions are available via Haringey (please contact School by Monday afternoon) if you or your child/ren have a disability. The School Street will benefit our children’s health and safety by reducing pollution and congestion at the school gate.





Please see link below for all activities for kids in Haringey this summer holidays!

[Holiday fun | Haringey Council](https://www.haringey.gov.uk/leisure-parks-culture/holiday-fun)



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| **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:   |  | | --- | | **July 2025**   * **22.07.25 – Last Day of School** **(Finish school normal time**) | | **September 2025**   * **Monday 1st September & Tuesday 2nd September is closed to pupils (INSET DAYS)** * **Wednesday 3rd September- Pupils return to school** * **Reception Home Visits 3rd-5th** * **Nursery Home Visits 3rd-9th** |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Week Beginning 30/06/2025** | | | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr1-2**  *Percentage of attendance* | Hyde Park | **99.1%** | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr3-4**  *Percentage of attendance* | Redbridge | **99.6%** | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr5-6**  *Percentage of attendance* | Ravens Court | **94.2%** | | **Week Beginning 07/07/2025** | | | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr1-2**  *Percentage of attendance* | Swiss Cottage | **98.3%** | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr3-4**  *Percentage of attendance* | Redbridge | **99.3%** | | **Attendance Winners**  **for Yr5-6**  *Percentage of attendance* | Ravens Court | **98.3%** | |