

Friday 28th November 2025

The Shoreditch Park Scoop



Sir Saqid Khan visit



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Following our visit by Sir Sadiq Khan on Tuesday we have been featured in a number of news outlets, including the Evening Standard:
<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/100-million-free-school-meals-london-children-sadiq-khan-b1259786.html>

The visit was a proud moment for the whole Shoreditch Park community as we showcased not only our delicious school meals but also the excellent dispositions of our pupils. It was a wonderful celebration of our school and we are incredibly proud of both our staff and pupils for making the visit so memorable.





TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL



We were delighted to welcome the Teddy Bear Hospital team, run by medical students from Queen Mary University, to work with our pupils.

During the session, the children were able to give their teddies both a medical and dental 'check-up'. They learned about healthy habits, what doctors and dentists do, and why looking after our bodies is so important — all through hands-on play.

The children had a fantastic time stepping into different roles, acting as dentists, surgeons, and dieticians, while confidently exploring real medical equipment and scenarios.

Reception had a brilliant experience, and we're excited that Year 1 will have their turn on 10th December.



WINTER FEST

A reminder that Winter Fest 2025 will take place on 11th December
between 3.45pm-5.15pm.

If any Shoreditch Park families have connections in the community to local
businesses who could donate an experience, product or service as a prize, we
would be hugely grateful and would love to hear from you.



Our Our Reception pupils were lucky enough to have a visit from the London Fire Brigade.

The children each had the opportunity to spray water from the fire hose. Shouts of excitement filled the playground as each child took their turn.

The visit continued with a tour inside the fire engine, where pupils explored the equipment, seats and control panels used during real emergencies. Firefighters explained how each tool helps them carry out their life-saving work.

The experience was both thrilling and educational, giving children a closer look at the important role firefighters play in keeping our community safe. It's a day they won't forget anytime soon!



FIRE SERVICE VISIT TO RECEPTION



ATTENDANCE

Class	Attendance %
Rosen AM	90.5
Rosen FT	95.7
Donaldson	91.3
Browne	96.6
Grey	99.3
Deacon	96.9
Jeffers	93.7
Hoffman	95.7
Briggs	94.6
King-Smith	93.3
Almond	90.3
Morpurgo	96.0
Tan	98.6
Dahl	95.0
Milligan	85.6
Zephaniah	90.5

Attendance Ladder

Equates to:



**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

CONGRATULATION to the classes
with the best attendance this
week...

BROWNE class in EYFS

GREY class in KS1

TAN class in KS2



Class	Number of lates
Rosen AM	0
Rosen FT	1
Donaldson	4
Browne	4
Grey	8
Deacon	3
Jeffers	2
Hoffman	4
Briggs	9
King-Smith	3
Almond	8
Morpurgo	5
Tan	1
Dahl	3
Milligan	2
Zephaniah	7



YEAR 4 - TRIP TO BRILLIO

Year 4 had an amazing time at the Brillio Inspire workshop!

They started the day by exploring all the exciting ways technology can help them in everyday life. The children then worked in teams to imagine how technology could be used to design and support the building of bridges and houses. Their ideas were brilliant and they collaborated beautifully, helping and encouraging one another throughout. They also discovered a range of jobs in the tech world, which really got everyone thinking about what they might like to do in the future.

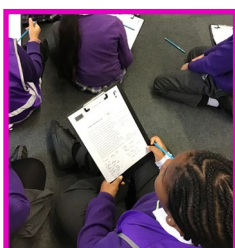
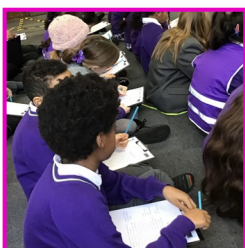
YEAR 5 DAHL CLASS - KEATS' HOUSE

Year 5 enjoyed a wonderful visit to John Keats' House in Hampstead Heath. This trip served as an excellent introduction to our upcoming creative writing and poetry unit. Students were able to step into the world of John Keats, exploring both his personal life and his fascinating dual identity as a surgeon-turned-poet.

During a guided workshop, students learned about Keats' inspirations and daily life, gaining insight into how his experiences shaped his writing. They then took part in an engaging poetry session where they analysed one of Keats' more playful works, "To Mrs Reynolds's Cat." The class had great fun discussing how Keats uses mock-heroic language to describe an ordinary household pet.

Inspired by the poem, pupils went on to craft their own mock-heroic poems. Their creativity, humour and command of poetic devices was definitely evident!

Well done, Year 5!



SAFEGUARDING TIP OF THE WEEK

There is no legal age at which children can go home independently but parents and carers must be confident that their child is mature and responsible enough to stay safe. The NSPCC provides helpful guidance to support families in making this decision.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/home-alone/>

NSPCC



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Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

HACKNEY LOCAL OFFER



The Hackney Local Offer brings together information about services, support and activities available for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). It can help parents to quickly find what they need— whether that's guidance on education, health services, childcare, short breaks or local community groups.

The local offer can be found here: <https://www.hackneylocaloffer.co.uk/kb5/hackney/localoffer/home.page>

DOCTOR BIKE

You can get your bike safety checked for free by a qualified mechanic on the dates listed below, right outside Britannia Leisure Centre.

A great opportunity to make sure your bike is in safe, reliable working order!

Sessions run in other Hackney locations, for the full list please see here:

<https://hackney.gov.uk/cycle-training#events>

Dr Bike	10 December	3.30pm to 6.30pm	Britannia Leisure Centre, Pitfield St N1 5FT
Dr Bike	25 February	3.30pm to 6.30pm	Britannia Leisure Centre, Pitfield St N1 5FT
Dr Bike	25 March	3.30pm to 6.30pm	Britannia Leisure Centre, Pitfield St N1 5FT



PLACE2BE

Our Place2Be counsellor, Gabi, works closely with a number of children each week, providing a safe and supportive space where they can share their feelings and build confidence and resilience. One of our most popular services is Place2Talk. This drop-in service allows children to refer themselves for a short session with Gabi by posting a slip into the special letterbox located in the playground. Many pupils make use of this opportunity to talk through worries, celebrate achievements or simply take a moment to reflect.

Parenting Smart is a free online resource created by Place2Be to support parents and carers with everyday challenges. It offers short, practical advice on common issues such as behaviour, routines, confidence, friendships, and emotional wellbeing. The tips are based on Place2Be's experience of working with children and families, and each article or video is designed to be easy to understand and quick to use at home. <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>



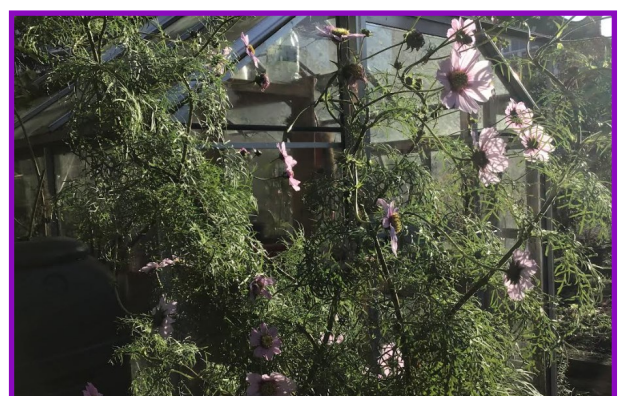


FAMILY FRIDAY IN YEAR 1

Following the success of Family Friday in Reception, we are delighted to announce that the opportunity has now been extended to Year One.

Pupils were thrilled to welcome their parents into their classrooms, proudly sharing their learning spaces and enjoying a special story time together. The atmosphere was warm and joyful as children and families connected through reading and conversation.

We look forward to continuing this lovely tradition and celebrating the partnership between home and school.



SCHOOL GARDENS

As the colder weather settles in, our school gardens are beginning to fall asleep for winter. The beds are quietening down, many leaves have dropped and some of our plants are taking a well-earned rest. But even though the garden is winding down, there is still plenty of important work happening behind the scenes.

Our young gardeners have been busy with essential winter tasks such as turning and topping up the compost, preparing the soil for a healthy start in spring. These jobs help enrich the earth and ensure that next year's planting season will be even more successful.

Despite the shift into winter, we were delighted to harvest a bumper crop of chillies- a fiery surprise so late in the year! The children were excited to pick them and learn how different plants grow and thrive even as the seasons change.



OPERATION ENCOMPASS



Operation Encompass is a national initiative that connects the police force with schools to support children who have been affected by domestic abuse.

When a domestic incident is attended by the police where a child from our school is present, the police will notify the Designated Safeguarding Leads at Shoreditch Park Primary before the start of the next school day. This notification will simply state that the child has been involved in a domestic incident, without sharing specific details.

Our participation in Operation Encompass is part of our commitment to safeguarding and creating a safe, nurturing and supportive learning environment for all students, especially at times when they may be experiencing difficulty outside of school.

If you have any questions about Operation Encompass, please contact the school office.

If you have a concern about a child contact a Designated Safeguarding Lead immediately. The school office can help you to locate a DSL.



Claire Deegan and Claire Keady are the DSLs.

Joanne Byrne is the Deputy DSLs.



LONDON FIRE BRIGADE APPEAL

The London Fire Brigade have asked us to share the poster below. They are collecting donations for children in need this Christmas, including children spending Christmas in The Royal London Hospital.





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