

Friday 20th March 2026

The Shoreditch Park Scoop



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I would like to extend my warmest wishes to all our pupils and families who are celebrating Eid.

Eid is a special time of joy, reflection, generosity, and togetherness. It is an opportunity to spend time with loved ones, share in acts of kindness, and celebrate the values that bring communities closer.

We are proud to be a diverse and inclusive school and we value the rich cultural and religious traditions that make up our community. Celebrations such as Eid provide a wonderful opportunity for us all to learn from one another and to appreciate the importance of respect, compassion and unity.

To all those celebrating, I wish you a peaceful and joyful Eid filled with happiness and special moments with family and friends.



EID MUBARAK

YEAR 4 TRIP TO HOXTON CHURCH

Year 4 classes Morpurgo and Almond, visited St Anne's Hoxton Church as part of their RE learning about Christianity. The children explored the church, learning about its features and significance. They also had an engaging talk with the vicar, who answered their questions and shared insights. It was a valuable and enjoyable experience that deepened their understanding of Christian beliefs and practices.



SUFFRAGETTE WORKSHOP

This week, Year 2 took part in an exciting and engaging workshop all about the Suffragettes. We were very lucky to welcome Sylvia Pankhurst, the great-granddaughter of Emmeline Pankhurst, who visited our school to share her knowledge about the suffragette movement and the fight for women's right to vote.

During the workshop, the children explored what life was like for women in the past and why the Suffragettes believed change was so important. They enthusiastically took part in a range of interactive activities, including a judge's hearing role play, where they debated fairness and justice, and a lively mock protest where they learned and performed traditional suffragette chants.

The workshop was a fantastic opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of this important part of history. They showed great curiosity, confidence, and teamwork throughout the day, while also building on what they have been learning in class and discovering new and fascinating facts. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and engagement as they stepped back in time to experience history in such a meaningful way.



SCHOOL GARDENS

The school gardens are full of beautiful tulips at the moment. Did you know that these striking flowers have a fascinating history?

In the 1630s, during a period known as Tulip Fever in the Netherlands, tulips became incredibly fashionable and highly valued. Certain rare varieties, especially those with unique striped patterns, were seen as luxury items and status symbols.

As demand grew, people began buying and selling tulip bulbs at rapidly increasing prices. Some bulbs became so expensive that they were worth more than houses. Many people speculated, hoping to make quick profits by trading bulbs rather than growing them.

However, this speculative bubble eventually burst. In 1637, confidence collapsed, prices suddenly fell, and many people lost large amounts of money. Tulip Fever is now often remembered as one of the first recorded economic bubbles.

Today, tulips are simply enjoyed for their beauty—just like the ones brightening our school garden.

You can make your own paper tulips below by following the steps below.

PRETTY PAPER STRAW TULIP CRAFT

- tulip flower pattern
- paper straws
- paper
- hole punch
- scissors
- glue stick

1. Print off or copy the [tulip flower pattern](#). Cut it out and use it to trace your tulip flower onto coloured paper. Cut out the tulip flower.

2. Accordion fold the flower folding it 4 times. Punch a hole in the centre of the folded flower with your hole punch.

3. Unfold the tulip flower and fit your green paper straw in and out through the holes of the tulip.

4. Cut out two thin leaves from green construction paper. Add glue to the bottom of each leaf and wrap them around the bottom of the paper straw.



ATTENDANCE FOR 9TH MARCH-13TH MARCH

Class	Attendance %
Rosen	97
Donaldson	97.2
Browne	96.3
Grey	94.7
Deacon	96.0
Jeffers	93.3
Hoffman	90.0
Briggs	95.3
King-Smith	97.0
Almond	98.0
Morpurgo	90.0
Tan	93.1
Dahl	95.2
Milligan	94.0
Zephaniah	94.4



Deacon Class lifting the trophy



Lifting the trophy for Almond Class

Donaldson Class lifting the trophy



Class	Number of lates
Rosen AM	2
Rosen FT	2
Donaldson	4
Browne	5
Grey	10
Deacon	6
Jeffers	2
Hoffman	2
Briggs	3
King-Smith	5
Almond	14
Morpurgo	9
Tan	2
Dahl	1
Milligan	5
Zephaniah	10

Gold standard
punctuality goes
to... **DAHL** class

Congratulations to the classes
with the best attendance.

DONALDSON class in EYFS

DEACON class in KS1

ALMOND class in KS2



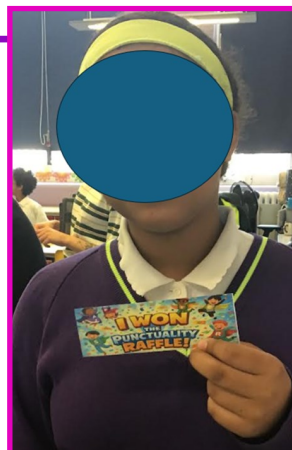
ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY RAFFLES

Each week we hold attendance and punctuality raffles to celebrate pupils who attend school regularly and arrive on time. Good attendance and punctuality help children make the most of their learning and ensure they do not miss important parts of the school day.

The raffle is a positive way to recognise and reward the efforts of our pupils and families. We also celebrate the classes with the best attendance and punctuality each week, encouraging everyone to work together and take pride in their class's success.



KS1 attendance raffle winner



The EYFS raffle winner



SAFEGUARDING TIP OF THE WEEK

If your child walks home alone, it is important that they feel confident, prepared and safe.

Top tips for parents:

Agree a safe, consistent route and practise it together.

Set clear expectations about leaving school promptly and going straight home.

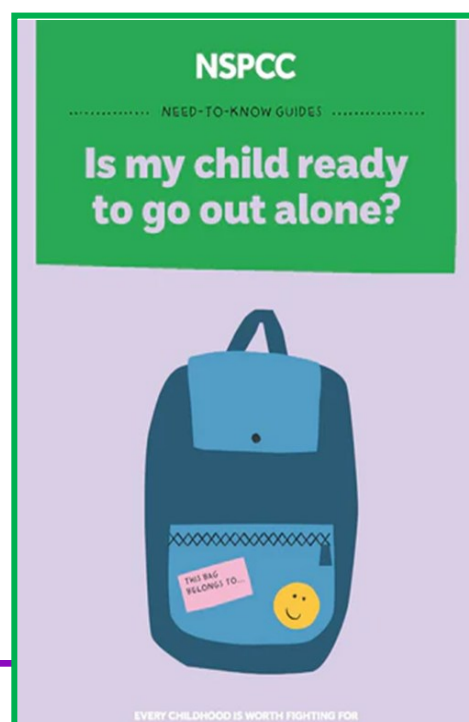
Make sure your child knows how to contact you or a trusted adult if needed.

Where possible, encourage your child to walk with a friend.

Talk to your child about:

- * What to do if they feel worried or unsafe
- * Identifying safe places (e.g. shops, school or trusted adults)
- * Never going anywhere with someone they don't know
- * Not sharing personal information with strangers

Being well prepared helps children develop independence while staying safe and secure.



PARENTING SMART - ONLINE COURSE - PLACE2BE

Find below the link for next Place2Be Parenting Smart Online Course - next starting date is 28th April, with deadline to register by the 20th April 2026

(<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/support-for-families-in-place2be-schools/parenting-smart-online-course/>)

Course details.

- * 4-week programme, broken down into 15-minute sections to fit around your day
- * Flexible access to the programme via any device and at a time that suits you
- * Dedicated Place2Be professional to join discussions and aid online learning
- * Dynamic and safe learning community offering the opportunity to learn from other parents' and carers' experiences



Parents and carers can also access many video resources before the course starts here
(<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>)



PARENTS EVENING

Parents Evening will take place on 26th March 2026 from 13.45. Please ensure you collect your child at 13.30 on this day. School also closes at 1.30pm on 27th March (the last day of term).

Please note that there will be no extra-curricular activities or after school clubs running.

If you require support booking your appointment, please contact the school office and we will be happy to help.

Don't forget
parents'
evening!

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE



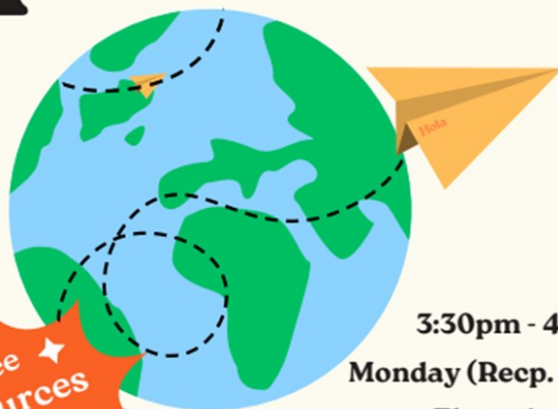
Our second-hand uniform sale will be running on 26th March from 2:00pm in the Parent and Community Room.



It's time for

Speak
LIKE A NATIVE

Spanish



free
resources
on signup

3:30pm - 4:30pm
Monday (Recp. & KS1)
Thursday (KS2)

Book via the
school office

Get 2 FREE Activity Packs and a course language content break-down with your booking.

[Click here](#) for a FREE activity for your child.
[Click here](#) to learn about our teaching method.
[Click here](#) to join our online webinar.
[Click here](#) to apply to work for us.



Call us on
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SPANISH CLUBS

Please see the flyer to sign up for Spanish clubs in school.



ZONES OF REGULATION COFFEE



Educational Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP) at Shoreditch Park Primary School



Who am I ?

The allocated EMHP to is Selin Degmenlibey, I come to the school on Wednesday Afternoons.

I work in the Mental Health Support Team (MHST), an **early intervention** and prevention service.



What support can I offer parents?

As an EMHP, I support parents whose children experience **anxiety** or challenging **behaviors**, helping families find practical strategies to promote wellbeing and confidence.

Sessions last for 6-8 weeks.

Both are offered as 1:1 or workshop/group

Additional topics: Support with SATS, Secondary Transitions and healthy sleep



How can I get support?
Please speak to the school's SENDCo (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator).

They will be able to share your concerns with either myself or our Schools' CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) worker.

Together, we can help **identify the most appropriate service** to support your needs.

To receive support from the EMHP, a referral into our service is required.

As we are an NHS service, we require parental consent.



SPRING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

The Spring Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme will be running again during the March and April 2026 school holidays in Hackney. This government-funded programme offers a wide range of exciting activities for children and young people, including sports, arts, drama, mentoring, and healthy eating sessions—all with a free nutritious meal provided each day.

The programme is open to children who are eligible for free school meals. Activities take place at various locations across Hackney, with support available for children with additional needs, including specialist SEND provision.

Places are limited and allocated on a first come, first served basis, so we encourage families to book early: <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/holiday-activities-and-food-programme>