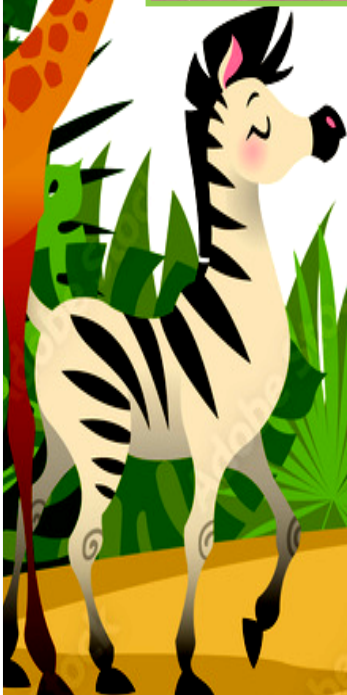
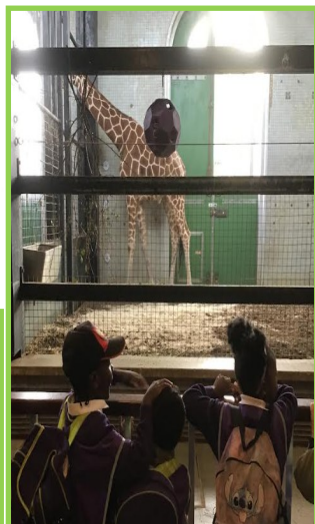


The Shoreditch Park Scoop



YEAR 1- LONDON ZOO

Year 1 had a fantastic day at London Zoo! The children enjoyed exploring the zoo, seeing a range of animals and learning more about the natural world. They showed great curiosity, asked questions and represented the school brilliantly throughout the day. It was a lovely opportunity to bring our learning to life and make some special memories together.



RECEPTION TRIP TO SHOREDITCH PARK

This week, the children in Reception enjoyed their very first school trip to Shoreditch Park!

In Donaldson Class, the children began by playing a fun game before heading off to collect natural treasures, such as conkers and twigs. Using the objects they had gathered, they worked alongside the adults to create their very own leaf wands, putting their creativity and imagination to the test.

In Browne Class, the children started with an enjoyable circle game before taking part in a leaf hunt. They searched for a variety of leaves, looking for different colours and shapes, including brown leaves, green leaves and long leaves. We talked about why so many leaves had fallen to the ground since our last visit to the park for Forest School. This gave us a wonderful opportunity to observe the signs of autumn and reflect on the changing weather and seasons.

The children then took part in a scavenger hunt, linking to our focus story, *Our Babies*, in which we have been learning about scavenging. Armed with their checklists, they explored the park, searching for different objects and ticking them off as they found them.

We had a fantastic time exploring Shoreditch Park together! The trip provided a wonderful opportunity for the children to connect with nature, develop their observation skills and discover more about the world around them as we welcomed the changing season.



FEELING THE RHYTHM WITH MBILLA ARTS!

Our school was filled with rhythm and excitement as Mbilla Arts led amazing African drumming workshops for every year group from Reception to Year 6!

Pupils loved getting involved, making music together and discovering the vibrant sounds of African drumming. The workshops were a wonderful opportunity to explore a musical tradition, try something new and have lots of fun.

A huge thank you to Mbilla Arts for bringing such an inspiring musical experience to Shoreditch Park!



MILLIGAN - TRIP TO THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

Milligan had a fantastic time visiting the National Portrait Gallery! As part of our Art Week this term, we will be creating our own self-portraits, so our visit was the perfect opportunity to gather inspiration.

We enjoyed exploring portraits from the 16th and 17th centuries, discovering famous historical figures such as Charles I and Elizabeth I. We then moved on to more modern works of art, where we spotted portraits of well-known personalities, including Lily Allen and Judi Dench.

We loved comparing the different styles of portraiture and seeing how artists capture the personalities of their subjects in different ways. We left feeling inspired, full of ideas and ready to create our own fantastic self-portraits during Art Week!



TYRE-RIFIC FUN WITH OPAL!

Our pupils have been having a fantastic time exploring creative ways to play with tyres as part of our OPAL journey! From rolling and balancing to building imaginative structures, the tyres have provided endless opportunities for teamwork, problem-solving and physical play.

This week, we have also been learning some important safety rules to make sure everyone can enjoy tyre play safely. Children have been practising how to roll, lift and stack tyres carefully, look out for others and use the equipment responsibly.

It has been wonderful to see so much creativity, cooperation and excitement in our playground. We can't wait to see what the children come up with next!



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Attendance 5/10/2026-9/10/2026	
Class	Attendance
NUR - Rosen	90.5%
REC - Browne	96.3%
REC - Donaldson	92.0%
Y1 - Deacon	96.7%
Y1 - Grey	95.9%
Y2 - Hoffman	97.2%
Y2 - Jeffers	95.2%
Y3 - Briggs	99.0%
Y3 - King-Smith	97.0%
Y4 - Almond	96.8%
Y4 - Morpurgo	96.0%
Y5 - Dahl	93.8%
Y5 - Tan	93.3%
Y6 - Milligan	95.3%
Y6 - Zephaniah	100.0%



Zephaniah Class lifting the trophy for KS2



*Browne Class
lifting the
trophy
for EYFS*

Congratulations to the classes
with the best attendance.

BROWNE class in EYFS

HOFFMAN class in KS1

ZEPHANIAH class in KS2
well done



Gold standard
punctuality goes to...
KING-SMITH Class
Well done

Lates 5/10/2026-9/10/2026	
Class	Number of lates
NUR - Rosen	3
REC - Browne	1
REC - Donaldson	1
Y1 - Deacon	6
Y1 - Grey	9
Y2 - Hoffman	4
Y2 - Jeffers	4
Y3 - Briggs	8
Y3 - King-Smith	0
Y4 - Almond	2
Y4 - Morpurgo	10
Y5 - Dahl	4
Y5 - Tan	7
Y6 - Milligan	4
Y6 - Zephaniah	2

BE BRIGHT, STAY IN SIGHT



Hackney
Road safety
Get ready for
Winterfest 2026

Britannia leisure centre - N1 5FT
Thursday October 22nd
15.00-18.00

In support of
SAFE PEOPLE ON THE MOVE
Every journey. Every time.
Road Safety Week
15-21 November 2026

Dr Bike
Cycle health checks

Be bright, Stay in sight
Art activities and goodies

ATTENDANCE RAFFLES

At Shoreditch Park, we love celebrating excellent attendance and punctuality! Every week, pupils have the chance to win an exciting prize in our Weekly Attendance Raffle.

Our raffles are a fun way to recognise children who come to school regularly and arrive on time, ready to learn.

Every school day counts! Being in school helps children build friendships, develop confidence and make the most of exciting learning opportunities. Congratulations to our lucky winners, and thank you to all our families for supporting excellent attendance!

EYFS raffle winner



KS2 raffle winner



DRESSING-UP FUN IN KEY STAGE 1!

Our Key Stage 1 pupils have been having a wonderful time exploring our new dressing-up resources as part of our OPAL play journey! From superheroes and princesses to imaginative characters of their own creation, the playground has been bursting with creativity and excitement!

Dressing up is a fantastic way for children to develop their imagination, confidence, communication and social skills. It has been lovely to see pupils working together, creating stories and bringing their ideas to life through play.

We look forward to seeing even more imaginative adventures in the weeks ahead!



PLAYGROUND PALS LEADING THE WAY!

Our fantastic Playground Pals have been thinking carefully about how we can make our playground a safe, happy and inclusive space for everyone to enjoy. As part of our OPAL journey, they have been discussing the importance of clear playground rules and how we can encourage everyone to play safely while still having fun, exploring and taking appropriate risks.

They have been considering how to look after our play equipment, respect shared spaces and help others make positive choices during playtimes.

We are incredibly proud of the responsibility and leadership our Playground Pals are showing. By listening to children's ideas and involving them in decisions about play, we are helping to create a playground where everyone feels safe, included and inspired to play!



SAFEGUARDING TIP OF THE WEEK:

WHO IS IN YOUR CHILD'S ONLINE GAME?

Many games allow children to chat with people they do not know. Ask your child who they play with and remind them never to share their name, school, address or photos in a game chat. Check the game's privacy settings together, and let your child know they can tell you if anyone makes them feel uncomfortable or asks them to keep a conversation secret.



OPAL BINGO – THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

We have been delighted with the fantastic donations we have received so far through our OPAL Bingo challenge! Thank you to all the families who have taken part and supported us in making playtimes even more exciting and creative.

If some of the squares on your Bingo board are proving tricky to fill, don't worry! You can swap them for any of the following items:

- Dressing-up clothes
- Chalk
- Tarpaulins
- Ride-on toys

Every donation makes a difference and helps us provide even more wonderful play opportunities for our children.

Thank you for your continued enthusiasm, generosity and support for OPAL! We really appreciate our school community getting behind this exciting project.



A GLIMPSE INTO OUR SCHOOL'S PAST

We have discovered a fascinating photograph of pupils in what is now our EYFS playground, believed to have been taken around 1910- more than 110 years ago! Look closely and you can see houses behind the playground that are no longer there.

The children pictured would have been born around the turn of the twentieth century, growing up before television and the internet, when cars were still a rare sight. It is wonderful to imagine their voices and games filling the same space where our youngest pupils play to-day.

What would they think of Shoreditch Park now? Our classrooms, technology and playground would surely amaze them- but perhaps the laughter, friendships and joy of playing together would feel very familiar!



SPONSORED BOUNCE – THURSDAY 5TH NOV

We are excited to announce that our Sponsored Bounce will take place on Thursday 5th November, raising funds to support our fantastic OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) journey!

Every class will have the opportunity to take part, with children challenged to complete as many bounces as possible in just five minutes! There will be awards for the highest number of bounces, alongside a range of other fun categories to celebrate everyone's efforts.

Sponsorship forms will be sent home next week, and we would love families to get involved by sponsoring their children. Family members and friends can also support us by purchasing items from our OPAL Amazon Wishlist, helping us provide even more exciting resources and play opportunities for our pupils. The wishlist can be found here:

<https://amzn.eu/09QUnBcQ>

This will be a pupil-only event, so parents and carers will not attend, but we will share plenty of photographs so you can enjoy seeing all the bouncing fun!

Thank you, as always, for your incredible support in helping us make playtime at Shoreditch Park even more exciting, creative and enriching for every child!



FREE PARENTING SMART ONLINE COURSE

As part of our commitment to supporting the mental health and wellbeing of our whole school community, Place2Be is inviting families to sign up for its FREE Parenting Smart online course.

This four-week, self-paced programme offers practical advice, helpful strategies and useful tools to support your child's emotional wellbeing, build their confidence and help them navigate everyday childhood challenges.

The course is designed to fit around busy family lives, so you can complete it at your own pace, at a time that suits you.

The deadline to register is Monday 2 November.

Sign up here: <https://www.thece2be.org.uk/family/book>

Please see the attached leaflet for further information. We encourage families to take advantage of this valuable free opportunity!

Exclusive to schools supported by Place2Be

Parenting Smart – Online Course



Parents and Carers of 4-11 year olds are invited to join our **free** online course offering extra parenting tools to **support children's wellbeing** and help them **deal with childhood challenges**.

These tools are proven to help children manage their emotions better, follow routines and improve relationships with friends and family.

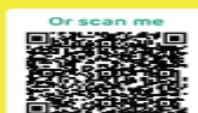
Designed to fit around busy family lives, this 4-week course consists of **8 short online modules of 30 minutes each**, easily accessible from a mobile phone, at any time.

Place2Be Family Practitioners will be on hand throughout your time on the course to guide your learning and **answer your questions**. You will also have the opportunity to join discussions with other parents and carers from across the UK and learn from each other.

- ✓ Free
- ✓ No fixed times
- ✓ Accessible from any device
- ✓ Hear from other parents around the UK
- ✓ Place2Be professional on hand to support learning



Learn more at
place2be.org.uk/family



READING MORNINGS



Reading Morning



A reminder that the last Friday of every half-term is our **Whole-School Reading Morning!**



Families of children in **Years 3-6** are warmly invited to visit their child's classroom between **8:45am and 9:10am** to share a story and enjoy some reading time together.

Family Fridays will take place as usual in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.**



AUTUMN 2 CLUBS

Autumn 2 Clubs

Dear parents and carers,

We are delighted to announce that new clubs will be starting for our Reception pupils next half-term, alongside a range of exciting opportunities for pupils in Years 1-6 to take part in our sports clubs. These clubs are a fantastic way for children to try new activities, develop their skills, stay active and have fun with their friends!

SPORTS CLUBS YEARS 1 - 6			
TUESDAY Multi-sports Years 1, 2 and 3	WEDNESDAY Football Years 1, 2, 3 and 4	THURSDAY Football Years 4, 5 and 6	FRIDAY Multi-sports Years 4, 5 and 6

A letter with further information and booking details will be uploaded onto the school website at **5pm on Thursday 22 October.**

Sports clubs will be paid for via ParentPay.

RECEPTION CLUBS

The Reception clubs letter will be available on the school website from **5pm on Tuesday 20 October.**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY
 Spanish Speak Like a Native	 Dance	 Multi-sports

Spanish (Reception) will be paid for via Arbor.

Dance and Multi-sports (Reception) must be booked directly through the individual club providers.

We hope lots of children will take advantage of these fantastic opportunities to try something new, build friendships and enjoy being active!

Yours sincerely,
The Extended Day Team