



GODWIN NEWS

November 2024



INVESTORS IN PEOPLE

Harvest



The children joined together just before the holiday, as upper and lower school, for our Harvest celebration. Each year group performed a Harvest song which they had prepared, and we thought about being thankful for the food we have, as well as

doing what we can to share with others.

A huge 'thank-you' for the Harvest gifts which you so generously sent in. These have been collected by *The Source*, a charity which helps families in Barking and Dagenham.

Dates for your diary

November	
Monday 11 th	Year 1 – local cenotaph (war memorial) visit
11 th – 15 th	Anti-bullying week
Tuesday 12 th	Odd Socks Day – wear odd socks to school to launch anti-bullying week (details to follow)
Tuesday 12 th	Year 3 trip – Valence House
Friday 15 th	Children in Need
Tuesday 19 th	School photos (individual)
December	
Tuesday 3 rd	Year 4 – theatre trip (pantomime)
Tuesday 10 th	Christmas performance – lower school, St Alban's
Wednesday 11 th	Christmas performance – upper school, St Alban's
Friday 13 th (am)	Reception concert in school
Friday 13 th	Christmas lunch
Friday 13 th (pm)	Nursery concert in school
Friday 13 th (pm)	Bike Club
Wednesday 18 th	Christmas parties
Wednesday 18 th	Santa's Grotto
Thursday 19 th	NARP and Nursery – last day
Friday 20 th	Reception to Year 6 – last day with early finish at 2pm
January	
Tuesday 7 th	All children return to school

100% attendance

Congratulations to over 170 children who achieved 100% attendance for the first half term. Their names have been added to the Attendance Tree, displayed in the corridor opposite the staffroom.

Stay on Green

Well done to all children who were able to

Stay on Green for the whole of the first half term. The 1st of this year's six 'green' badges have been awarded to those children. Wear your badge with pride!

Remembrance Day



We will be selling Remembrance Day poppies, in aid of the Royal British Legion, in the upper and lower playgrounds at the beginning and end of each day. There is no set price for the traditional (paper) poppies, just a donation.

The British Legion has also provided a limited supply of festival bands, zip pulls, reflector poppies and other items with a suggested minimum donation of 50p to £1.00, depending on the item.

We will hold a Remembrance Day assembly with the children on Monday 11th November.

Birthdays

Please be aware that we are not able to give out sweets, cake or other items in school for your child's birthday.

Please be considerate to our neighbours



We regularly receive calls from neighbours who are being stopped from accessing or leaving their property when parents park across their dropped kerb. Please help us maintain a good relationship with our neighbours by parking more considerately, even if it means walking a little further.

School Streets

We have been advised by LBBD that the installation of *School Streets* car-free zones around the school will be going ahead and that work to set this up should start very soon. The use of Finnymore Road and Walfrey Gardens, as well as sections of Hatfield Road and Lullington Road, is expected to be restricted from 8:00am-9:15am, and 2.45pm-4:00pm during term time, alleviating congestion and parking problems for residents and creating a safer environment for children and parents to travel to school. Exemptions will be available for residents of these streets and for blue badge holders.

Head Lice

Adults may carry head lice without symptoms, whereas children tend to have persistent itching of the hair and scratches on the scalp and around the neck.



According to NHS guidelines, the best way to prevent the spread of headlice is to be alert to symptoms and to act on suspicion as follows:

- Detect adult lice and eggs (nits) by wet combing hair with a narrow-toothed comb. This is best done after shampooing and conditioning which loosens the lice. Most lice and nits can be removed by combing.
 - If you detect visible lice in large numbers, or a few repeatedly, then visit the GP or the chemist for treatment. Treatment may be required for all the members of the household who have evidence of lice and you should all be treated at the same time. It is important to follow treatment instructions carefully or this may not work. Treatment must not be repeated on children often as it could be harmful.
 - After treatment, continue to use wet combing regularly at hair washing to prevent a new infestation developing again. Lice will not survive repeated wet combing.
 - Avoid head-to-head contact, as this is how lice mostly spread - they cannot fly or jump and, hence, do not spread easily.
 - Avoid sharing brushes and combs, which should be cleaned at every hair wash.
 - There is no need to stop your children playing with friends who have had a problem. Head lice can affect anyone and no one person is more likely to be infected than any other.
 - Children can continue to attend school whilst wet combing and/or treatment is being carried out.
- We realise that this is an ongoing and frustrating problem, but thank you for your patience and co-operation in helping with the prevention of head lice.

Family Hubs - £20 prize draw

Family Hubs are a service that supports families, children and young people. There are 3 hubs around LBBD, the nearest being in Dagenham Library on the Heathway.

To help make the hubs the best they can be, they have asked for your support in completing this

survey: <https://survey.zohopublic.eu/zs/pcBP9P>

They would like responses from both people who know about the hubs and people who do not.


Share your thoughts on services, activities, and what could be improved for a chance to enter a prize draw for a £20 voucher!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Do you have a child (0-5 years) with speech and language needs? The Becontree Community Hub is running a series of sessions through November and December exploring a range of activities to support communication.

PLAY AND COMMUNICATE

FOR CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS WITH SPEECH & LANGUAGE NEEDS



The next sessions would start on 14th, 21st, 28th of November and 5th, 12th December (Thursdays)

Come along with your child to explore different range of activities that support their communication. You will meet other parents/guardians and you will be able to speak to professionals about concerns related to your child's growth and development for advice and suggestions.

THURSDAYS: 4:15-5:45 PM	Address: Becontree Community Hub
Click https://app.10to8.com/book/cypd-hub/1921925	Stevens Road Dagenham
THURSDAY: 10:00-11:30AM	RM8 2QR
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