

Secondary Admissions for September 2023

If your child is in Year 6, you can now apply for a secondary school place for September 2023. This year's application window runs from **1st September 2022** until **31st October 2022**.



Before you apply, you should research the local secondary schools. This will help you decide which schools to put down as your preferences. You can choose up to six and it is recommended you do complete all six.

To find out more about a school, you could:

- Go to the school open day (listed on page 7 in the link below.)
- Visit the school website
- Ask other parents what they think of the school
- Look at the latest Ofsted reports and school performance tables

For more information, click the link below to view the 'Starting Secondary School 2023' brochure.

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2022-09/LBWF%20Starting%20Secondary%20School%202023.pdf>

The guide should be read carefully to assist you in this important process. Applications should be made online at:

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>

Year 6 Duxford IWM Trip



Year 6 will be visiting Duxford Imperial War Museum on Tuesday 20th September. Parents are reminded that children need to arrive in school no later than **8.30am** on that day to allow sufficient time to register, use the toilet and walk to the coach. The coaches will be departing promptly at 9.00am. Children not going on the trip **must** attend school.

Autumn Term Clubs

Autumn term clubs start from Tuesday 20th September and run for 9 weeks until the week beginning 21st November 2022.

If your child has been allocated a club, please make payment via ParentPay. If you are having trouble using ParentPay, please email Mrs Blackmore chaselanepri@clp.waltham.org.uk for support.

We currently have spaces in the following clubs:

- Reception & Year 1 Mini Golf - **1 space**
- Year 2 - PE club - **1 space**
- Year 3 & 4 Choir club - **5 spaces**
- Year 5 & 6 Netball - **1 space**
- Year 5 & 6 Dance - **4 spaces**



If your child is interested in one of these clubs, please contact Mrs Blackmore. The spaces will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Please note children in Year 6 who usually walk home alone, are not allowed to walk home alone after a club. All children must be collected by an adult.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Year 1 Phonics Workshop

Phonics We are running a Parent Workshop on Wednesday 21st September at 9.05am to help you understand the way we approach our teaching of Phonics in Year 1. This will be a valuable session for parents to understand what phonics is and how it is taught in school, which will give you the tools to be able to support your child at home with their learning. The session will last for approximately 45 minutes and will take place in the hall.

Waltham Forest Resident's News

Click the link below to view the latest Waltham Forest residents' news: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/32caff7>

Attendance & Punctuality

What is **GOOD** attendance?



Good school attendance is very important. Missing a few days of school here and there may not seem a big deal, but research shows that it can have a significant impact on children's learning.

Punctuality is also important and a great start to your child's day.

Here are some tips you might find helpful:

- Set a limit on your child's gadget use.
- Try setting a gadget curfew at least two hours before bed, one hour before bed, or even 30 minutes before bed; the earlier in the evening, the better.
- Get your child/children to bed at a reasonable time so they have a good night's sleep.
- Make sure their uniform, book bag and packed lunch (if applicable) are ready the night before.
- Set the alarm clock early enough to allow plenty of time to get ready properly.
- Make sure they have some breakfast (unless they attend breakfast club)
- Leave home with enough time to walk to school
- If driving or travelling by bus, allow sufficient time for any unexpected traffic delays

From September 2022 the Department of Education (DfE) require all schools to rigorously track pupil attendance. The main changes are listed below:

- * When reporting absences, parents/carers cannot report their child as 'ill' but must give a full explanation for their child's absence.
- * Any unexplained absences will be recorded as unauthorised and will impact a child's attendance record.
- * If a child has 5 continuous day off, parent/carers will need to provide evidence for the reason of the child's absence.
- * If a child that has 5 days of within a term, this will be recorded to the local authority as persistent absence.

Parents are politely reminded to report all absences by 9.00am either via the school absence email absence@clp.waltham.org.uk or calling the main school number 0208 529 6827 and selecting option 1.

School Meals

The cost of a school dinner is **£2.20** per day and **£11.00** per week for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6. School dinners should be paid for using ParentPay. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are given a free lunch at school. This free lunch is known as **Universal Free School Meals (UFSM)** and is NOT the same as the Free School Meal status that is issued by the local Authority.

If you wish to swap your child's lunch preference from school dinners to packed lunch, please inform the office either by email chaselanepri@clp.waltham.org.uk or phone 0208 529 6827.

Over the past year, many families have had a significant change in their financial circumstances. If your financial situation has changed due to the pandemic, your child may now qualify for Free School Meals (FSM). If you think you are entitled to free school meals and have not applied please contact Mrs Canham via the school email above.



Music Lessons

Guitar lessons started this week for the pupils who took lessons last year. Violin lessons will begin on Tuesday 20th September and Woodwind lessons will start on Monday 26th September (because of the Bank Holiday). Once we know the final numbers of those children from last year that wish to continue, any spare slots will be offered to new children in Years 4, 5 & 6.



Family Links Nurturing Programme

The Family Links Nurturing programme is a 10 week course. It starts on Tuesday 27th September from 9:00am until 11:00am

The course covers things like:

- . Understanding why children behave the way they do
- . Recognising the feelings behind the behaviour
- . Exploring different approaches to discipline
- . Finding ways to develop co-operation and self-discipline in children
- . Learning the importance of looking after ourselves

It is a fun course to do- tea, coffee and biscuits are provided and is facilitated by Mrs Canham and Mrs Mara.

How Nurturing Programme Parent Groups have helped other parents

- "I am a much more confident, positive and understanding parent. I feel much more able to cope now"
- "We are having less family arguments and the household is a lot calmer"
- "The group was fun. It's the only two hours I have for myself each week"
- "The atmosphere was really relaxed. No-one judged anyone and everyone was listened to and respected"



Check out familylinks.org.uk for more information on The Parenting Puzzle book and the Nurturing Programme

The 10-week Nurturing Programme for parents and carers

Where:

When:

Contact details:



Information for parents and carers

How to get the best out of family life



What is the Nurturing Programme?

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging.

The Nurturing Programme helps deal with those challenges so that you can have a calmer, happier life.

A tried and tested programme, it helps us think about what we do, why we do it, and how it makes us feel.

The Building Blocks of the Nurturing Programme



What does it cover?

Over the 10-week Programme, you will look at lots of different topics, including:

- Understanding** why children behave as they do
- Recognising** the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- Exploring** different approaches to discipline
- Finding** ways to develop co-operation and self-discipline in children
- Learning** the importance of looking after ourselves

Practical information

Partners are welcome and it's also fine to come on your own or with a relative or friend

There are ten 2-hour sessions with a tea and coffee break

8-10 parents are invited and there are two Family Links trained group leaders

Some groups provide a creche/ check with group leaders beforehand

You need to come to all ten sessions as they fit together like a puzzle



Reliable Volunteer Needed



Reliable volunteer needed to help with crèche facilities for the **Family Links Nurturing** course commencing on Tuesday 27th September from 9:00 until 11:00 to assist alongside a member of staff. You will need to commit for the 10 weeks. See above.

Asthma Pumps

Asthma - Especially now the cold weather is looming and liable to aggravate asthma, it is imperative that we always have blue inhalers in school for all children who have been diagnosed with asthma. Nursery children should always have one pump in the Nursery Unit, children in Reception to Year 2 should always have one pump in the main Welfare Room, and Upper School children from Years 3-6 should always have two pumps in school - one pump in the main Welfare Room and another which is kept in their classroom. Please ensure all pumps left in school are up to date. Please ensure that parents of ALL children diagnosed with asthma inform the Welfare Officers in the school Office and have completed an Asthma Card to be kept in the Welfare Room together with blue inhalers as detailed above - even if your child has not recently shown any symptoms.



Stay & Play Sessions

Stay & Play We have spaces at the new stay and play session on Thursdays. There is a 50p voluntary contribution. The children have a chance to play, have a snack and join in with songs and rhymes. This is open for parents with younger children that have a child who attends Chase Lane school or who have their child's name on the list for our nursery. There is no age limit, from Babies up to nursery age. For more information see Mrs Canham.

National Poetry Day

National Poetry Day is taking place on **6th October 2022** and the theme for this year is **The Environment**. Waltham Forest is running an exciting competition to celebrate children's poetry. The winning entries will be displayed and used on various promotional materials across the borough. Winners will also receive a £50 voucher! If you would like to take part, please complete your poem about the environment by **Friday 30th September** and send into school to Mr Barker. Your poem should not exceed 150 words. It may be hand-written or printed. We look forward to reading your poems!



Joke of the Week

Q. What do you call a Caveman who blows wind?
A. A blast from the past!

Joke provided by Issah, Sequoia class

Chase Lane 2022-2023 School Calendar

Parents are politely reminded to familiarise yourselves with the term dates below for 2022-2023 to avoid booking holidays during term time. Absence due to holiday during term time (while the school is still open) will not be granted. Each parent will be fined for each child not at school. Your child may also lose their school place.

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August 2023						
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Inset Days	Bank Holidays	School Holidays
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Communication with Parents



For those parents who have been part of our school community for some time, you will be aware that all our communications to you are done via the **SchoolPing** app. If you have trouble accessing SchoolPing, please either call the school office or inform us via the school email chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk. Please do make sure you download the SchoolPing app to ensure you do not miss out on important school information.

Appointments with Class Teachers

If you wish to meet your child's class teacher an appointment can be arranged for you via the school office by emailing chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk. Please make sure you provide your child's full name, class and times dates that you are available to meet.



Diary Dates

Monday 19th September BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 20th September	Year 6 trip to Duxford
Tuesday 20th September	Clubs start
Tuesday 20th September	Violin lessons will begin
Wednesday 21st September	Year 1 Phonics workshop 9.00am
Wednesday 21st September	Year 4 Induction Meeting 11.15am
Thursday 22nd September	Year 2 Induction Meeting 11.15am
Friday 23rd September	Year 5 Induction Meeting 1.45pm
Monday 26th September	Woodwind lessons start
Tuesday 27th September	Family Links Nurturing course starts
Friday 30th September	Deadline for National Poetry entries
Tuesday 4th October	Harvest Festival Assembly
Tuesday 4th October	Parents Forum 2.30pm
Friday 7th October	7.45am Year 5 Warner Bros trip
Tuesday 11th October	Van Cols School Photographer
Friday 14th October	Reception Parents Maths Meeting
Friday 21st October	Reception Golden Rules Dress-up
Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October Half-Term	
Monday 31st October	School re-opens at 8.45am
Monday 28th November	Parent Consultations week

Year 6 Walking Home After School

Year 6 children are **only** allowed to walk/cycle home at the end of the school day as long as written permission has been received from the parent/carer. Year 6 children are permitted to walk home after school for the whole year; however, Year 6 children are **not allowed** to walk home after all after school clubs or boosters. All children **must** be collected by an adult **if** they attend a clubs/boosters. Children who walk home alone may bring a mobile phone to school. All mobile phones are to be given to the class teacher at 8.45am and collected from the class teacher at the end of the school day.



Birthday Treats

Parents are politely reminded that as we are a **NUT FREE** school. We also have many children with varying dietary requirements and some with serious allergies. Please do not bring in sweets or cakes to celebrate birthdays as we are unable to give these out. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Bikes & Scooters



It's great to see so many families choosing to cycle and walk to school. Please be reminded that children (and parents) must dismount from all bikes/scooters at the school gate entrance. Bikes and scooters are **NOT** allowed to be ridden anywhere on the school grounds and should not be left in the playground in the morning. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parents Forum

parents forum



Our Parents' Forum consists of a group of parents who volunteer to attend termly meetings in school whereby parents can share their views and ideas about different areas of school life. It is hoped that a parent from each class will be at each meeting, together with

me. These meetings are intended to be an informal discussion forum.

The next Parent's Forum will take place in school on **Tuesday 4th October** at 2.30pm. If you are free to spare approximately 45 minutes to attend, please advise the Office Manager, Mrs Dasilva by email at: chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk by Friday 30th September.

Friends of Chase Lane PTA

A Parent, Teacher Association (PTA) is a great way to bring parents, teachers and the school community together to raise funds and to support the school. Here at Chase Lane our PTA is known as the 'Friends of Chase Lane'. The Friends of Chase Lane is a registered charity that raises money for the school and they spend that money to enrich the lives and benefit all children.



The previous members of the PTA have left due to their children transitioning to secondary school. Therefore we need new volunteers for our PTA.

The PTA is responsible to arranging events like:

- Family Bingo
- Lower & Upper Phase Discos
- Christmas Fairs
- Easter Fairs
- Summer Fairs
- Year 6 Leaver Discos



Monies raised has also helped to subsidise school trips.

The Friends of Chase Lane Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held **at 7pm on Tuesday 27th September** in the school in the Community room.



If you would like to help raise money for the school by joining the Friends of Chase Lane PTA, volunteering to suggest new ideas and organise or assist at events, please email the school office: chaselanepri@clpwaltham.org.uk. Please mark your email **PTA Volunteer** and provide us with your contact details.

Neighbours

A small number of families drive their children to school. If this is essential then please be aware of the bottle neck that is York Road. It becomes very busy and sometimes quite dangerous which is why Mr Jeffery tries to be out on duty most mornings.

Mr Jeffery appreciates how busy it is in the morning but politely reminds parents not to stop their cars on the yellow zig-zag lines and be courteous to our neighbours by refraining from blocking driveways and properties.



If you are now one of the increasing many that drive an electric vehicle, please be extra cautious as they can be so quiet, children and adults alike do not always hear them coming and may well step out.

In addition if you are a pedestrian please keep looking as well as listening.

Educational Psychology Service



Educational Psychology Service Free Monthly Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions

Dates:

28th September 2022
12th October 2022
23rd November 2022
7th December 2022
18th January 2023
1st February 2023
15th March 2023
12th April 2023
10th May 2023
14th June 2023
12th July 2023

To book a 30 minute consultation, please contact our Business Support Officer below

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Thorpe Hall School
123 Hale End Road
E17 4DP

Phone: 020 8496 1732
Mobile: 07776589597
Email: educationalpsychology@walthamforest.gov.uk

Do you have concerns about your child?

Would you like to talk to an Educational Psychologist in confidence?

Appointment Only Sessions

Afternoon sessions are 12.30-2pm
Evening Sessions are 3.00- 5.00

Individual consultation with an Educational Psychologist are offered via phone/zoom or in person for Parents and Carers living in London Borough Waltham Forest.

Sessions last for no more than 30 minutes and provide an opportunity to ask any questions or discuss concerns with a member of our culturally diverse Educational Psychology Team.

Educational Psychologists are qualified specialists in child psychology and child development, with particular expertise in supporting children and young people with special educational needs, learning difficulties, and social, emotional and behavioural difficulties. All LBWF Educational Psychologists are registered with the Health Care Professionals Council.

Mental Health Support Team

NELFT NHS The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is part of a national programme designed to offer early interventions in school settings. They hope by providing advice, support, and information within schools, they can support children and young people to become healthy, happy adults.

For more information, please read the letter that was sent via SchoolPing with this newsletter.

LBWF Free sports and wellbeing

From 13th September until 2nd December, Waltham Forest are offering free sports and wellbeing sessions. These sessions are aimed at those who have not done much activity over the lockdown period and would like to ease back into being active again. All of the sessions will be 45 minutes, with some time to socialise after. Absolutely no experience is needed. There is no need to book in advance, simply turn up!



Better Gym Walthamstow Stadium, E4 8SJ

- Fab and fit fitness: Mondays, 12:30pm to 1:15pm

Paradox Community Centre, E4 8YD

- Yoga: Tuesdays, 10 to 10:45am (Bring a mat if you have one, if not they have some at the centre)
- Tai Chi: Wednesdays, 1:45 to 2:30pm
- Zumba: Thursdays, 6pm to 6:45pm
- Feel Good dance: Fridays, 5:30 to 6:15pm

Songs in the Park - Walthamstow



19th September 2022 until 26 December 2022
Friendly singing sessions for babies and toddlers featuring classic hits, new favourites and creative props to engage and entertain. Come and make new friends and learn new songs!

Click the link below for more information

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/events/songs-park-walthamstow>

WEEK 1 School Dinner Menu for w/b 19th September, 3rd October & 17th October 2022

Week 1	Monday	Save the Planet Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOICE 1	Beef Lasagne	Planet Pizza Wedge (v)	Sticky Chicken	Homemade Bean & Lentil Burger in a Floured Bun (v)	Creamy Mac n Cheese n Peas (ve)
CHOICE 2	Crunchy Carrot Curry (ve)	Planet Pizza Wedge (ve)	MSC Lemon Crumb Salmon Fillet	60/40 Beef Burger in Floured Bun	MSC Fish Fingers
CHOICE 3	Jacket Potato (ve) with Various Fillings	Jenny Hammond School Favourite Pulled Jackfruit Wrap (ve)	Roasted Vegetable Biryani (ve)	Rosemary and Garlic Fried Tofu (ve)	Filled Baguettes
Sides	Mixed Rice	Skin On Baked Wedges	Minted New Potatoes 50/50 Rice	Italian Diced Potatoes	Oven Baked Chips
Vegetables	Oven Roasted Cauliflower Floret Garden peas	Mixed Vegetables Sweetcorn Coblets	Fresh Seasonal Broccoli Roasted Organic Carrots	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Baked Beans Minted Garden Peas
Salads	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection	Salad Selection
Desserts	Pineapple & Ice Cream	Fruit Jelly Pot (ve)	Summer Fruit Crunch Pot	Peaches & Custard	Homemade Shortbread Biscuit with Wedge of Fresh Orange (ve)
DAILY	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit Salad	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Organic Fruit Yogurt with Seasonal Fresh Fruit
DAILY	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit	Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Bread	Homemade Garlic Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread	Homemade Bread