

Happy New Year

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2024.

I would like to wish you all a happy and healthy New Year. I hope you have all enjoyed a restful Christmas break. The term ahead, although slightly shorter in weeks, promises to be a busy and exciting one with plenty planned for the children, with exciting workshops to enhance the curriculum and various other activities.



Clubs



Spring term clubs commence next week. Please make sure you have made your payment via ParentPay.

Year 5 North America Dress Up Day

On Tuesday Year 5 dressed up in mid-Western clothing and took part in a hoe-down. They had lots of toe-tapping fun and learned a square dance routine.

We also looked at the history of the hoe-down and thought about what musical instruments were played and why!



Year 2 Victorian Dress Up Day

Yesterday Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic day dressed as Victorians to introduce our new topic for this term 'Victorious Victorians'.

We enjoyed a parade in our costumes and learnt about Queen Victoria's reign!



Reception 2024 Applications

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 they are due to start primary school from September 2024.

Parents/Carers are politely reminded that the **closing date** for applications is **Monday 15th January 2024**. All applications are carried out online for Waltham Forest Schools. The following link will take you directly to the admissions website: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>

Stay & Play 2024



Blossoms Stay & Play sessions will restart on **Monday 15th January 2024**.

Mrs Canham

Forest School

Years 1 and 4 have Forest School this half term. Please remember to send your child with appropriate clothing as it is very cold at the moment. We suggest a coat, scarf, hat and gloves.

Thank you in advance for your support

Mrs Field
Forest School Leader



Attendance 18th December - 21st December

Well done to the following classes for achieving the highest attendance percentage in their Year Groups :- over 96%. The minimum target for attendance each week as set by the Government is 96%.

Year group	Class	Attendance
Year 3	Willow	97.4%

December was a very disappointing 91.7% but thankfully this week is looking more positive.

Fun Fact of the Week



The colour red does **not** make bulls angry.

Waltham Forest Resident's News

Click the link below to view the latest Waltham Forest Resident's news:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKWALTHAM/bulletins/383b60f>

Dates for the Diary

Any additions/changes to the diary dates are highlighted in purple text

Spring Term 1 - 2024 Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 15th January

Wednesday 24th January

Tuesday 27th February

Spring term clubs start

9.00am PTA Meeting Canteen Hall

2.30pm — 3.20pm Parents Forum



Half-Term Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Spring Term 2 - 2024 Monday 19th February - Thursday 28th March

Monday 19th February

Tuesday 20th February

Friday 15th March

Thursday 28th March

Inset Day - Staff training day. School closed to children

Children return

6.30pm - 8.30pm PTA Family Bingo night (details to follow)

Last day of Spring term - school will close 1 hour earlier

Easter Break Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April

Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April

Monday 8th April - Thursday 11th April

Easter School for Year 6 Week 1 (details to follow)

Easter School for Year 6 Week 2 (details to follow)

Week 3 15th January 2024 - 19th January 2024

MONDAY	SAVE THE PLANET TUESDAY	ALLERGEN FRIENDLY WEDNESDAY (FDA)	CLIMATE CHANGE THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOOSE FROM Pasta Neapolitan 🍴 Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (FDA) 🍴, Cheese 🍴 or Tuna 🍴 Beef Bolognese 🍴	CHOOSE FROM Smoky Vegetable and Bean Jambalaya (FDA) 🍴 Creamy Mac n Cheese 🍴 Sweetcorn & Mixed Pepper Frittata 🍴	CHOOSE FROM Roasted Stuffed Pepper (FDA) 🍴 Crispy Topped Hotpot (FDA) 🍴 Meatballs in a Spicy Italian Sauce (FDA)	CHOOSE FROM Creamy Korma 🍴 Roasted Vegetable Tagliatelle 🍴 Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (FDA) 🍴 or Cheese 🍴	CHOOSE FROM Power Burger (FDA) in a Bun 🍴 MSC Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with a Lemon Twist 🍴 Herby Chicken (FDA)
SIDES Wholewheat Spaghetti 🍴	SIDES Potato Puffs 🍴	SIDES Sliced Potatoes 🍴 Mixed Rice 🍴	SIDES Coconut Rice 🍴	SIDES Chipped Potatoes 🍴
UNLIMITED Fresh Organic Carrots 🍴 Sweetcorn 🍴 Salad Selection 🍴 Homemade Bread 🍴	UNLIMITED Green Beans 🍴 Roasted Cauliflower Florets 🍴 Salad Selection 🍴 Homemade Bread 🍴	UNLIMITED Fresh Seasonal Broccoli 🍴 Mixed Vegetables 🍴 Salad Selection 🍴 Homemade Bread 🍴	UNLIMITED Sweetcorn 🍴 Roasted Organic Carrots 🍴 Salad Selection 🍴 Homemade Bread 🍴	UNLIMITED Baked Beans 🍴 Garden Peas 🍴 Salad Selection 🍴 Homemade Bread 🍴
DESSERTS Apple Crumble and Custard 🍴 Organic Fruit Yogurt 🍴 with Seasonal Fresh Fruit 🍴 Seasonal Fresh Fruit (FDA) 🍴	DESSERTS Shortbread Biscuit with Orange Slice 🍴 and Milk 🍴 Organic Fruit Yogurt 🍴 with Seasonal Fresh Fruit 🍴 Seasonal Fresh Fruit (FDA) 🍴	DESSERTS Fruit Smoothie (FDA) 🍴 Fresh Fruit Salad (FDA) 🍴 Seasonal Fresh Fruit (FDA) 🍴	DESSERTS Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce 🍴 Organic Fruit Yogurt 🍴 with Seasonal Fresh Fruit 🍴 Seasonal Fresh Fruit (FDA) 🍴	DESSERTS Arctic Roll 🍴 or Ice Cream 🍴 Organic Fruit Yogurt 🍴 with Seasonal Fresh Fruit 🍴 Seasonal Fresh Fruit (FDA) 🍴
		Milk 🍴 will be available after lunch.		

Term Dates for 2024-2025

The Chase Lane Governing Body have agreed the school term dates for the academic year **2024 -2025** (see below). Please make sure you make note of these dates as holidays booked during term-time will **not** be approved. School reopens to all families on Wednesday 4th September 2024 so if you are planning to book a summer holiday, please make sure you return before then so that your child does not miss the start of term.

September 2024						
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February 2025						
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April 2025						
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July 2025						
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August 2025						
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Inset Days	Bank Holidays	School Holidays

BeeZee Families



Ready for your family to feel healthier and happier?

Sign up for our FREE and fun healthy lifestyle programmes in-person or online. Our programmes start on:

Date: 17th January 2024
Time: 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Venue: Chingford C of E Primary School E4 7BP



OR you can join our 12-week online programmes!

Eligibility criteria applies, check the website for details.
 For alternative formats, email marketing@maximusuk.co.uk quoting X22-2014



Educational Psychology Service Free Monthly Parent/Carer Consultation Sessions

Dates:

20th September 2023
 18th October 2023
 22nd November 2023
 6th December 2023
 17th January 2024
 28th February 2024
 27th March 2024
 24th April 2024
 22nd May 2024
 19th June 2024
 17th July 2024

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

Office
 02084961732 07776 589 597

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 3.30- 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 behaviour difficulties. All LBWF Educational Psychologists are registered with the Health Care Professionals Council.

educationalpsychologyservice@walthamforest.gov.uk



South Chingford Community Library

Charity Registration Number 1153772



CITIZENS ADVICE OUTREACH SESSIONS ARE HERE!

Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB) drop in sessions for face to face advice on debt, benefits, and money management.

**starting Thursday 19th October and thereafter every fortnight
 10am – 4pm**

citizens advice



South Chingford Community Library, 265 Chingford Mount Road, London, E4 8LP
 email: southchingfordlibrary@gmail.com web: www.southchingfordlibrary.org.uk
 tel: 020 8529 3035 (answerphone when library is not open)



NVR courses for parents & carers

COURSES FOR

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2024

23.01.24: Face-to-Face Introduction to NVR

This one day course will help you understand the principles of non-violent resistance and how it can help create connected relationships with children. Sarah Fisher and Jo Kelly share strategies that you can implement straight away. The course will be held at Leytonstone Family Hub, The Junction, 2-4 Cathall Rd, London, E11 4LF.

This course is funded by Waltham Forest.

Sign me up please!

04.02.24: Managing Meltdowns

In this 1.5 hour webinar Jo Kelly will talk about staying calm in the moment, how to support your child and what to do after a meltdown.

This webinar is funded by Waltham Forest.

Sign me up please!

Feel like things are out of control?

Want to know more about NVR?

Ready for a calmer, happier home?

We run Connective Parenting NVR courses to help families create calm through connection and presence.

