

PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter
13th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers, Governors and Friends,

Important: Changes to Attendance

You may have heard on the news that the Government has brought in changes with regards to your child's attendance. This is reflected in the school's [updated Attendance Policy, which is on the school's website](#). The main change is that if your child has a hospital / dentist appointment (for treatment), etc you will need to complete a request for leave form, at least two weeks prior to the appointment, where possible. A request for leave form can be collected from the school office or in the parent's section of the school's website.

In addition, the fine that is issued for a child missing school due to a holiday has increased to £80 per child per parent. This year, if your child's attendance drops below 96%, you will receive an initial letter notifying you of this and the importance of maintaining good attendance. If your child's attendance falls below 92%, a letter will be sent inviting you to a meeting with the School's Attendance Panel (SAP). The SAP will include school staff and the allocated Education Welfare Officer (EWO) attached to the school. This year, this is Phil Artemis.

Please remember that schools can only authorise a child's absence in exceptional circumstances. Making a request for leave, does not mean that the request has been authorised. You will be notified by the school office of the outcome of your request for leave.

If you have any questions or queries about the changes, please speak to Ms Paddon (AHT Inclusion and DSL) or Ms Awad (Attendance Officer).

Prince of Wales Scoops Award for Geography

At the end of the last academic year our school submitted an application for the prestigious **Primary Geography Quality Mark**, which is run by the Geographical Association. We are delighted to share with you that our school has won a silver award.

The Quality Mark looks at all aspects of curriculum design, teaching and learning and how we use our local area to learn about the world.

The moderator of the submission was impressed to see how our geography curriculum was designed and how we link with history units of study which helps our children to learn more. It has also been recognised that pupils at Prince of Wales learn geography in an effective way. They build on prior knowledge, remember more through quizzes and have access to engaging fieldwork.

The award reflects the hard work of our dedicated staff from Early Years through to Year 6 to deliver engaging geography lessons. Our school community covers some 70 countries and geography helps us to learn more about each other and the world around us.

Stuart Halley, Geography Curriculum Lead



SCHOOL YEAR 2024/2025 – upcoming dates



DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Tue 17 th September Wed 18 th September Thu 19 th September Fri 20 th September Fri 4 th October	all	Year 2 - 9am, Year 3 - 2:30pm Year 5 - 9am, Year 4 - 2:30pm Year 6 - 2:30pm incl. secondary transfer Year 1 9am, Reception - 2:30pm Nursery 8:30am
Wed 2 nd October	Y1 Y2	Maths Calculation Workshop 8:50am
Wed 9 th October	EYFS Y1 Y2	Phonics Workshop 8:50am
15 th and 17 th October	all	Parent consultations
27 th November	all	Parent Forum 8:50am
Tue 5 th November	all	Individual photos
9.12.24 10.12.24 11.12.24	all	Nursery & Reception Year 3 am / Year 2 pm Year 6 am / Year 5 pm Year 4 pm
10.12.24 & 11.12.24	Y1	Y1 Nativity am (instead of Parent Café)

Meet the
TEACHER

PARENT CAFE

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PARENT CAFE

School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2024-25

Autumn Term 2024

Friday 25 th October	Last day of half term
Monday 4 th November	School reopens to pupils
Friday 29 th November	Inset Day 3 – school closed
Friday 20 th December	Last day of Autumn term – school closes at 1.30pm

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6 th January	Inset Day 4– school closed
Tuesday 7 th January	School reopens to pupils
Friday 14 th February	Last day of half term
Monday 24 th February	School reopens to pupils
Thursday 4 th April	Last day of Spring term – school closes at 1.30pm

Summer Term 2025

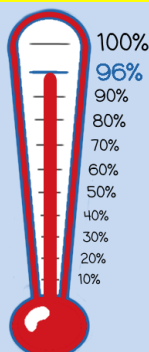
Tuesday 22 nd April	School reopens to pupils
Monday 5 th May	School closed – Bank Holiday
Friday 23 rd May	Last day of half term
Monday 2 nd June	Inset Day 5– school closed
Tuesday 3 rd June	School reopens to pupils
Tue 22 nd July	Last day of the school year – school closes at 1.30pm

Attendance for week beginning 9th September 2024

Birch 98.3%	1G 91.1%	2F 94.7%	3F 93.8%	4A 89.6%	5G 94.6%	6C 90.3%
Oak 94%	1S 89.5%	2G 95.8%	3H 92.2%	4H 98.6%	5S 99.2%	6D 99.3%
	1T 94.3%	2M 100%	3W 95.7%	4L 86.7%	5T 91.7%	6F 92.8%

Well done to **Birch, 2M, 4H, 5S and 6D**, with attendance above 96%.

Overall attendance since September 2024: **90.3%**



This month we introduce on our  school vision

Our SCHOOL VISION

'learning together, growing together'

Prince of Wales is an inclusive, ambitious and values driven community of LEARNERS, thriving in a happy and safe environment.

Our school community celebrates the LEARNERS journey by becoming:



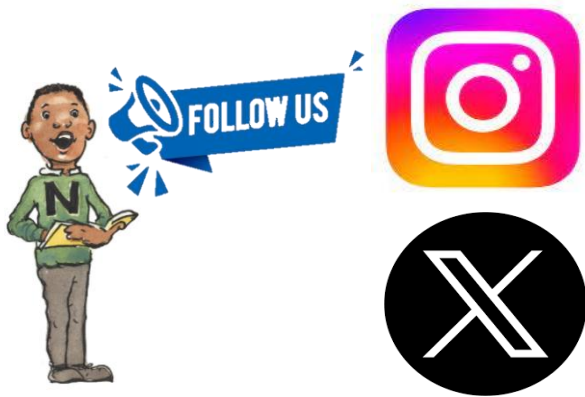
- LEARNERS who take pride in learning and look forward to each day
- LEARNERS who evolve and adapt to fresh challenges
- LEARNERS who are global citizens and contribute to a sustainable and fair society
- LEARNERS who are creative and are innovative thinkers
- LEARNERS who value diversity and the opportunity to learn from and about each other

We live this together through our LEARNERS values.

This week we focus on: *LEARNERS who evolve and adapt to fresh challenges*

These pupils received a certificate this week:

Mila 1G, Abigail 1S, Ayla 1T, Victor 2F, Edie 2G, Elijah 2M, Freya 3F, Willow 3H, Taylan 3W, Jamilah 4A, Amanda 4H, Javae 4L, Kai 5G, Eliana 5T, Enzo 5S, Junior 6C, Alessia 6D & Nadinsa 6F





Information about Place2Be for Parents/Carers

Jonathan Emeruwa is the School Project Manager for Place2Be at Prince of Wales Primary and an experienced therapist. His role is to organise and facilitate the Place2Be service at the school.

Originally founded in 1994, Place2Be is a children's mental health charity with over 25 years of experience working with pupils, families and staff in more than 450 schools nationwide to support children's emotional wellbeing, confidence and development by offering a space where they can express themselves through talk, creative work and play.

Jonathan, the Project Manager is available every Monday and Friday at Prince of Wales Primary. Place2Be deliver a range of services directly to children through one to one and group sessions.

Why is Place2Be Useful?

Sometimes children can feel particular emotions such as sadness, anger, boredom or confusion.

Maybe something difficult happened at home like an older sibling leaving home, the loss of a family member, or parents separating, perhaps they may be struggling with something at school such as friendships or worries around their exams.

Children may behave differently, lose confidence in themselves or find it challenging to concentrate in class.

Place2Be can help children to find different ways of coping so their worries don't get in the way of their friendships, their learning or how they feel about themselves.

Place2Talk

One part of the service that Jonathan offers at Prince of Wales Primary is 'Place2Talk' this is an optional lunchtime drop-in service which is open to all pupils every Monday and Friday where students may attend if they choose to. Children can make an appointment to talk about themes such as school work, friendships or any worries and concerns. This is a very popular service and children can participate either by themselves or in a small group.

One to One

We may also offer regular one to one Counselling for children who may potentially benefit from this support if requested by the parent and the school.

Parent Support

We also work with parents to offer support through 'Parent Partnership' helping parents to feel more at ease in their roles, encouraging self-confidence and building positive relationships.

'Personalised Individual Parenting Training' is run by Miha Strango, our family practitioner at Place2be on Mondays, coaching parents and carers to interact positively and effectively with their children, the training is 6-10 Sessions and offered to the parent with their child.

As the parent knows their child best this is very much a collaborative process. Parents and carers build on the things that work and that are already going well and coached in key skills to help understand and manage their children's behaviour. This hands-on practical approach can be effective and usually rapid positive changes are seen in the relationship between parents/carers and their children.

In addition to the services within the school Place2Be offer an online parent support resource called 'Parenting Smart' through the Place2Be website <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk> featuring information and practical advice by child mental health experts.

If you'd like to speak with Jonathan Emeruwa or to find out more about the service, please phone the main office on 01992 762840.



Funded early education and childcare

Informed Families
Civic Centre,
Silver Street,
Enfield, EN1 3XA



Terrific Twos

For families in receipt of certain benefits

The Terrific Two funding is up to 570 hours of Funded Early Education and Childcare per year for your child. This equates to 15 hours per week for 38 weeks a year, during term time. Your provider may agree to 'stretch' your entitlement by using fewer hours over more than 38 weeks per year. Check with your childcare provider to find out if this is something they offer.

If you are eligible your child can access Funded Early Education and Childcare with any nursery, preschool, child-minder or school nursery that is registered to offer funded places. Funding commences the term after your child turns 2 years old.

Child turns 2 between	When to apply
1 January to 31 March	Apply from the September before to be eligible from the following April
1 April to 31 August	Apply from the January before to be eligible from the following September
1 September to 31 December	Apply from the April before to be eligible from the following January

How to apply

To apply, visit the informed families website at <https://www.enfield.gov.uk/if>. Please only apply to Enfield if you live in the London Borough of Enfield

OR

Text the word **TERRIFIC** to **81025** - We will send you a text back asking for all the information you will need for the application to be processed.

Important: Only apply the term before your child turns 2, using the table as a guide:

if@enfield.gov.uk

www.enfield.gov.uk/if

Informed Families

@if_enfield



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Eligibility criteria

Your 2-year-old will be eligible for Terrific Twos funded early education and childcare if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Universal Credit, and your household income is £15,400 a year or less after tax, not including benefit payments
- Child tax credits and, your household income is £16,190 a year or less before tax payments
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- The Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Parents are not eligible where they claim working tax credits and child tax credits at the same time.

2-year-olds can also get funded early education and childcare through the Terrific Twos scheme, if they:

- are looked after by a local authority
- have an education, health and care plan (EHCP)
- get Disability Living Allowance
- have left care under an adoption order, special guardianship order or a child arrangements order

If you're a non-UK citizen who cannot claim benefits:

- your immigration status says you have 'no recourse to public funds', you may still get funded childcare for your 2 year old. You must live in England and your household income must be no more than:
 - £26,500 for families outside of London with 1 child
 - £34,500 for families within London with 1 child
 - £30,800 for families outside of London with 2 or more children
 - £38,800 for families within London with 2 or more children
- You cannot have more than £16,000 in savings or investments.

With Terrific Twos you may have to pay for extra costs like meals, nappies or trips



3 and 4 year olds

- 15 hours childcare for all families in England with 3 and 4 year olds for 38 weeks of the year.
- 30 hours childcare for eligible working parents in England with 3 and 4 year olds for 38 weeks of the year. (Eligibility criteria below)

9 mths - 23 mths

- 15 hours childcare for eligible working parents for 38 weeks (up to 570 hours per year)
- From 1 January, 1 April or 1 September following your child reaching 9 months old.

2 year old funding

- 15 hours childcare for eligible working parents for 38 weeks (up to 570 hours per year)
- From 1 January, 1 April or 1 September following your child's 2nd birthday.

9 mths - school age

- 30 hours childcare for 38 weeks per year (up to 1,140 hours) for children from 9 months up to school age, for eligible working parents.
- From 1 January, 1 April or 1 September following your child reaching 9 months old.

2024

2025

Eligibility criteria

- Each parent earning at least the equivalent of 16 hours/week at the national minimum wage but under £100,000 adjusted net income/year
- 15 hours of childcare or early education for 38 weeks (up to 570 hours per year), that you can use flexibly with one or more providers.
- Some providers will allow you to 'stretch' the hours over 52 weeks, using fewer hours.
- See table on page 1 for when to apply.

What isn't covered?

The 15 hours of childcare/early education for 2-year-olds is not intended to cover the costs of meals, other consumables (such as nappies or sun cream), additional hours or additional activities (such as trips). Providers may charge a fee for these additions.

Where can I use it?

- Full day care (e.g. nurseries)
- Schools
- Childminders
- Sessional providers (e.g. playgroups)

How to apply

Visit the www.childcarechoices.gov.uk website to find out more.

Even more support for working parents

Tax-free Childcare: eligible working parents with children aged 11 or under can get up to £2,000 per child each year towards their childcare costs, or up to £4,000 for children with a disability aged 16 or under.

Universal Credit Childcare: eligible working parents in the UK can claim back up to 85% of their childcare costs for children aged 0-16. Plus, eligible parents can access Universal Credit fund upfront, helping those who are starting a job or increasing work hours

Government help with paying for your childcare is available through Childcare Choices. Whether you have toddlers or teens you could get support. Visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to find out more.

To get help finding childcare, please visit our Family Information Directory on our website. The directory can help you find childcare for your child based on your postcode and the range of distance that you specify. You can create a list of your chosen providers to compare or print them out.



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Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm

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Reception & Nursery Tours Prince of Wales Primary School

We have three tour dates available for new pupils who are:

Ready to start school in September 2025

Ready to join nursery in either January, April or September 2025

Open Mornings:

Friday 4th October at 9.30am

Wednesday 23rd October at 9.30am

Friday 22nd November at 9.30am

Please call our school office to book your place on **01992 762840**

We look forward to showing you the exciting opportunities we have available to offer your child.

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Salisbury Road, Enfield. Middx EN3 6HG Tel: 01992 762840

Email: office@princeofwales.enfield.sch.uk

Learning together



Growing together

[NCL Asthma Learning Event for Parents and Carers Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

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HOW CONFIDENT ARE YOU WITH HANDLING AN ASTHMA ATTACK?

WORRIED ABOUT YOUR CHILD BECOMING BREATHLESS?

FED UP OF BEING IN A&E?

Scan me to join

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ASTHMA?

JOIN OUR 1-HOUR **FREE ONLINE** ASTHMA EVENT

TUESDAY 17TH SEPT, 2024

WE HAVE TWO SESSIONS
1130 - 1230
1930 - 2030

DON'T WORRY IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT, YOU CAN WATCH THE RECORDING WHENEVER YOU LIKE

FOLLOW THE QR CODE TO [JOIN US](#) ... SEE YOU THERE

Enfield Parenting Directory



EXPLORE

Parents and Carers are children's first educators and teachers. This is something most people agree on.

As a parent, you are not just 'mum' or 'dad'. You are also a nurse, doctor, cook, teacher, coach, therapist, driver and cleaner – with no time off and no instruction manual!

We know that parenting can be hard work and that all parents and carers (including fathers) need help and support from time to time.

In Enfield, families remain front and centre of our vision, so this directory has a range of parenting resources for every stage of a child's development. All resources included are aimed at strengthening parents' and carers' knowledge, confidence, and skills to promote positive development right from the start.



CONTACT US

Parent/Carer Wellbeing

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Universal for All Parents 0-18

Specialist Programmes

Family Relationship Programmes

Support Groups & Forums for Parents

Babies and Toddlers Groups

Digital Parenting Resources

Special Guardianship Support Group

For Enfield Special Guardians and Kinship Carers

DATE: Wednesday 18th September'24

TIME:10.00am-11.30am



Hello Special Guardians - Would you like to meet with other special guardians? Do you have something to say? Do you want to hear other people's experiences? Do you want support and advice from people who understand what you are experiencing? Come to our Support Group! New special guardian members are welcomed.

Most importantly, this is your group and a chance to meet other Special Guardians and plan what you want from your group.

A member of virtual schools and the SG team will also be available to offer advice and guidance.

Venue:
Dugdale Arts Centre Cafe
39 London Road,
Enfield, EN2 6DS.

Topic: Education

To book your place and for further information,
please contact Special Guardianship Duty Service:
On 0208 379 8490 or
Email: specialguardians@enfield.gov.uk

Please note the support group is only for special guardians or kinship carers, children cannot attend.



Adoptive Parents Education Support



Coffee Morning

NOTE NEW TIME!

Now 9:30 – 11:00am

- Are you the parent of an adopted child?
- Are you aware of the educational support available for your child?
- Would you like the opportunity to discuss any educational issues? (Examples could include SEN, attendance, homework, friendships, or anything else!)
- Would you like to meet other adoptive parents?

Please come and join us on:

Wednesday 23rd October 2024
9:30 – 11:00 am
West Lea School, (Haselbury Campus)
Haselbury Road
Edmonton, N9 9TT

Please contact Jane Manning (contact details below) to reserve your space



To find out more contact: Jane Manning (Previously Looked After Children Officer): jane.manning@enfield.gov.uk



Positive Co-Parenting of Neurodiverse Children 8-week online facilitated group

This programme is designed specifically for parents living together or apart, who are facing conflicts and struggling to find common ground in raising their neurodiverse child. This is a valuable opportunity to enhance relationships, strengthen parenting skills and create a more harmonious home environment.

Who should attend?

- Parents who are experiencing conflicts and challenges due to the neurodiversity of their child
- Parents who want to improve communication and build stronger partnership in parenting and co-parenting their neurodiverse child.
- Parents seeking guidance, support, and practical strategies to navigate the unique challenges of raising a neurodiverse child.

These 2 courses will be delivered via MS Teams, over 8 sessions on the following dates/times:

Date: Tuesday 17, 24 September & 1, 8, 15, 22 October & 5, 12 November
Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Date: Wednesday 18, 25 September & 2, 9, 16, 23 October & 6, 13 November.
Time: 9:30 am - 11:30 am

For more information or to make a referral, scan the QR code, email services@familylives.org.uk or call 0204 522 8700 or 0204 522 8699



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Open Evening

Monday 23rd September 2024

5pm - 7.30pm

Headteacher Talks: 5pm & 6pm



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