



# PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter  
10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers, Governors and Friends,

Happy New Year, I wish you all a happy, healthy and productive 2025. This year will be extra special for us as it was in 1950 that our school was opened, so we are in the planning stages to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary school year '25/'26. Heads up then to any former pupils and staff who we invite to share memories through photos and accounts of their time at Prince of Wales School; keep an eye out on how this will be done.

### Reporting your child's absence

If your child is not attending school for any reason, please call or leave a message with the school office *before* 9:00am.

### Board game sessions with parents/carers

You are invited to join your child in one of their Friday board game sessions starting at 2:30pm:

#### Spring 1

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January – Year 2

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3

#### Spring 2

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Year 5

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6

#### Summer 1

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Year 1

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 4

### Thank you for your generous Board Game Donations

- Through our Cardless Christmas initiatives, parents/carers donated a fantastic £151 towards buying new boardgames.
- The Entertainer Toy Shop Company supported our board games initiative with a gift card for £100.

### Termly Head Gardener Journal

Our outdoor areas continue to develop at a pace. Read about the latest exiting developments: [Gardening-Journal-Autumn-Term-2-2024.pdf](#)

### Pantomime next Thursday

M&M Theatrical Productions returns with their wonderful pantomime: Cinderella! Don't plan any appointments for your child that day as it would be a shame for them to miss this.

*Mr Jan M Bless*  
Headteacher

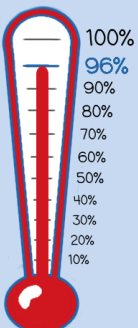
**FOR ALL RECEPTION AND NURSERY CHILDREN STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2025,  
PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE TO ARRANGE A TOUR OF THE SCHOOL**

### Attendance for week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Birch 86.6%	1G 90.2%	2F 97.7%	3F 97.7%	4A 98.4%	5G 93.5%	6C 98.7%
Oak 89.9%	1S 91.3%	2G 86.1%	3H 90.5%	4H 94%	5S 90.1%	6D 94.2%
	1T 97.4%	2M 93.5%	3W 96.5%	4L 83.5%	5T 93.8%	6F 85.7%

Well done to 1T, 2F, 3F, 3W, 4A and 6C attendance above 96%.

Attendance since September 2024: 93.25%



## SCHOOL YEAR 2024/2025 – upcoming dates



DATE	YEAR	EVENT
Tue 14 <sup>th</sup> January	JL Team	Junior Leadership Team visiting Parliament
Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> January	All	Pantomime
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> January	All Parents/Carers	<b>Royal Institution Science in Schools event 2-3pm Community Show</b>
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Parents/Carers	Parent Forum at 8:50 Community Room
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Selected chn	ETSP Boccia Competition
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Y4	Y4 Multiplication Check meeting for parents/carers
	Choir	Choir Performance to parents 3:45pm Square Hall
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Y3	British Museum trip
17-21 February	All	Half Term Break - School closed
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> March	All	Class photos
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> and Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	All	Parents evening 3:30pm-6pm

## Parents' schedule to participate in Board Games with their child

Parents to arrive for 2.30pm via the school office to play the games:

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## School Term and Holiday Dates

### Academic Year 2024-25

#### Spring Term 2025

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Inset Day 4– school closed  
School reopens to pupils  
Last day of half term  
School reopens to pupils  
Last day of Spring term – school closes at 1.30pm

#### Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> July

School reopens to pupils  
School closed – Bank Holiday  
Last day of half term  
Inset Day 5– school closed  
School reopens to pupils  
Last day of the school year – school closes at 1.30pm



In January we introduce Rahaan, our values ambassador for **RESILIENCE**



These pupils received a certificate this week:

Keyan 1G, Azaria 1S, Lola 1T, Masal 2F, Halimah 2G, Bleron 2M, Harper 3F, Gabrielle 3H, Josiah 3W, Aiden-Kaan 4A, Ochuwa 4H, Jenson 4L, Davi 5G, Christabel 5S, Ariyan 5T, Kaiden 6C, Angel 6D & Nadinsa 6F



Miss Gilani introduced our new Values Ambassador Rahaan this week. Can your child recall how Rahaan has shown resilience and is a good role model for us?

She also explained how nature shows resilience in different ways as illustrated by the snowdrop in this video: ['The Snowdrop' - BBC Teach](#)

As part of this month's homework, children could investigate other examples of resilience in nature (see page 6).







A massive well done to everyone who took part in the Street Tag competition over the past couple of months. Out of the competing Early Years and Primary schools in Enfield we came third! It shows how dedicated our school community is to staying active and helping our environment by walking, scooting, cycling and rolling to places in our day-to-day life.



You helped cover 5,316.95 miles 🌍

You scanned tags 9,094 times 🔄

You contributed to taking: 5,621,030 steps! 🚶 🚶

Watch this space for some more information regarding our prize winnings and competitors.

**Miss Cross – PE Lead**





# Enfield Town Schools' Partnership

Working together, stronger together

**7k**

**Children**

**185**

**Languages**

**20**

**Schools**

**1**

**Community**

## WHO ARE WE?

Enfield Town Schools' Partnership (ETSP) is a charity set up to advance the education of children/young people in Enfield, through events, services and activities to meet the social and emotional wellbeing needs of all the pupils/students within our care. Visit [etsplondon.org](http://etsplondon.org)

## YOUR SCHOOL IS A MEMBER!

*& ETSP is proud to deliver educational workshops & programmes to your children in collaboration with your school.*

**3,002** children participated in our enrichment programmes last year, including



the annual **Spelling Bee, BIG BANG STEM FAIR** &

*The Great Debate.*



*Schools received laptops, tablets and mobile phone devices from TFL's Scheme worth up to*

**£6k!**



**And there's so much more...**

## Pupil Voice

"It was **really fun** & I love Science" [STEM Fair]

"The debate has helped me to be able to **speak out loud**" [The Great Debate]

## Teachers' Opinions

"The whole day was run extremely smoothly & the children at our school thoroughly enjoyed it" [STEM Fair]

"The positive impact this project has had on my own mental health and wellbeing...the project has reignited my own passion within art" [ReMARKable Art Training]



*Stay in touch, support & follow us @etsplondon*

## January Family Home Learning Project

Our school value for the month of January is Resilience, and this month we are introducing our LEARNERS character: Raahan!



Tell the people you live with at home how Raahan became this month's Value Ambassador.

As always, you can present your project however you like. Get creative and work together with your family or a friend! Think about the ways you are resilient.

- Like Raahan, write a poem / song about resilience.
- Write a story.
- Make a poster with positive statements/ quotes.
- Come up with an image from nature that represents your personal resilience - create a drawing /painting.
- Create a piece of art that represents your resilience, and reflect on what it's trying to tell you.
- Take photographs of nature demonstrating resilience.



### Looking ahead to the New Year ...

- ▶ At this time of year people make resolutions, promises to themselves about the good things they want to do. Like the Snowdrop, decide in your head on one good thing that you would like to do this year.



Projects are due by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February





# ETSP Newspaper Club

Calling parents, carers, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends...

Do you have 45 minutes' free time once a week to start something special with a group of your school's children?

Join ETSP in starting a weekly Newspaper Club!

Enjoy precious screen free time, read together, share ideas & thoughts, create discussion, doodle, imagine, debate...

A training workshop\* will be available to teach you all you need to know. Except...

**There are no rules**

**No experience is required**

Just be enthusiastic and able to commit once a week to this incredible experience for your children

**What you need to know**

The club typically takes place before school or during lunch time

Each child brings 90p to purchase a copy of the i Newspaper

You explore the newspaper together creating buzz and conversation around the topics in our world

If you are interested, please contact the school office to express your interest.

\* venue details and date to follow



**We would love to host our own newspaper club** and sign up to John Gilbert's workshop in the new year, where he will provide a framework and guidance on how to run a success newspaper club. Are you a parent/carer/family member with time to spend one dedicated morning per week with a group of PoW's enthusiastic children?

Please contact Mr Bless via the school office.

*Hazelwood's pupils gather en masse at their weekly newspaper club to learn and enjoy debate about current topics of our world. They were keen to share their success and inspire our school pupils to start our own club!*





# FREE TRAINING 2024/2025

To help drive inclusion, safeguarding and business planning in the Out of School Sectors

*For providers that are providing childcare places for children from Reception to Key stage 2*



## Who is the training for?

We are offering free training for anyone delivering (or thinking about delivering) activities for school age children outside of the school day. This could include breakfast clubs, afterschool clubs, holiday clubs, Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) providers and short break providers too.

## What's it all about?

We know that children with SEND face multiple disadvantages, and we know you want to be as inclusive as you can be. We've listened to your concerns about resources, recruitment and retention being a challenge, and we know that taking time out for training is too.

## Who are we and what's on offer?

We are a new community interest company called Families First who have designed three online courses for you to access free of charge over the next few months.

- **Safeguarding**
- **Inclusion**
- **Business Planning for Success**



## Contact Us:

 <https://enfield.familiesfirst.org.uk>

 Use QR Code: 785432

 [info@familiesfirst.org.uk](mailto:info@familiesfirst.org.uk)







# WALKER CHILDREN'S CLUB

play learn grow

## PRINCE OF WALES AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

- Includes a snack
- Cooking Club
- Homework help
- Emergency Childcare



**Open until 6pm!**

Located at:

Prince of Wales Primary School  
Salisbury Road  
Enfield EN3 6HG

admin@walkerchildrensclub.com  
www.walkerchildrensclub.co.uk  
07561 810 910



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## EMERGENCY CHILDCARE AFTER SCHOOL

Walker Children's Club at Prince of Wales School is there to help when you have last minute, urgent childcare needs after school.

Registering your children through our website is free, you only pay if you need us to collect your children.

Once registered, you can call or message us if you have an emergency and cannot collect your child on time.

Walker Children's Club is here to support the families of the Prince of Wales School.

Register now as you never know when you will need us! Pop in for a chat and we can help with registration.

admin@walkerchildrensclub.com  
www.walkerchildrensclub.co.uk  
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## Prince of Wales

We're offering Tech Club!

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**£50**  
For 5 Weeks

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The Future of Learning

Use the Code  
**TECHCLUB2025**  
for 15% OFF!!!  
Promo runs  
until 31st December

Tech Club equips your child with a diverse set of vocational technological skills, preparing them for real-world challenges. Some of these skills includes:

- hands-on coding skills
- creative game design
- tech exploration
- multimedia arts mastery
- problem solving skills
- digital literacy



For more info and bookings visit:  
[learn.uteachmi.com/princeofwales](http://learn.uteachmi.com/princeofwales)



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DATE  
13th, 20th, 27th Jan  
3rd & 10th Feb  
Every Monday  
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
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# Exciting Science Show Coming to POW

Come and experience an interactive science show on  
ENERGY LIVE with your child at Prince of Wales run by:



**The Royal Institution**  
Science Lives Here



**This is once in a lifetime opportunity!**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 1.50pm to 3pm in the Square Hall.

Sign up on Arbor to attend with your child.

Limited Spaces – only 100 places available across the school

**journeys  
& places**

Road closed to  
motor traffic

# School Street



## Our school has a School Street

This means the road is closed to vehicles at drop-off and pick-up times. Please travel safely to school by walking, wheeling, cycling, using public transport or the park-and-stride way where possible!





[Mobile Phones - Advice for Parents & Carers - KIDSONLINEWORLD.COM](https://www.kidsonlineworld.com/mobile-phones-advice-for-parents-carers)

As children receive mobile phones younger, parents must ensure safe, responsible use by teaching privacy basics, setting boundaries, using parental controls, and maintaining open communication about online safety.

[Parents & Carers - KIDSONLINEWORLD.COM](https://www.kidsonlineworld.com/parents-carers)

# FLU CATCH-UP COMMUNITY CLINICS



Winter season is upon us, and with cold weather keeping us indoors and in close contact, it's easier than ever for the flu to spread. Protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community by getting your flu jab today.

The flu vaccine is your best defense against severe illness, hospitalisation, and missed work or school. Let's work together to keep everyone well this winter.

### Stay Well:

Avoid the misery of flu this winter.

### Stop the Spread:

Help prevent flu outbreaks in your community.

### Protect Others:

Especially children, the elderly, and those more vulnerable.

You can book your child an appointment for their flu vaccination at one of our community clinics.

For our clinic locations and contact details for the Vaccination UK team please follow one of these links:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics>

