



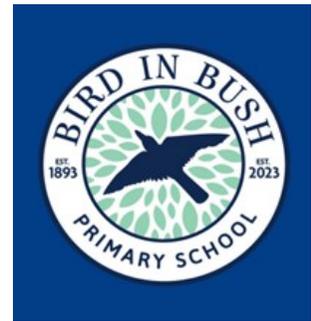
The Bird in Bush School Newsletter

December One Edition

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Our Christmas Fair needs your help

Friday 15th December
3.15—4.30 p.m.

Please can you help in the following ways:

- volunteer to face paint
- volunteer to serve food and drink
- volunteer with running stalls

+ Can you donate any of the following:

- small bags of sweets
- Halal sweets
- smaller prizes for the hoopla and tombola, e.g. good quality biscuits, jams, tins of food, small toys, any gifts our children would like to win

+ larger prizes for the raffle, e.g. boxes of chocolate; footballs or other new sports equipment; vouchers for local shops/entertainment.

- Hampers would be very welcome—can you ask your local shops to help?

PE timetable for Week commencing

Monday 4th December

- Year 1—**Monday** (Dance);
- Year 2—**Tuesday** (Outdoor)
- Year 3— **Wednesday** (Outdoor)
- Year 4— **Friday** (Dance);
- Year 5—**Friday** (Dance or Swimming - Oystercatcher class to swim)
- Year 6—**Thursday** (Outdoor + 8.00 a.m. lesson on Thursday)

Big events of next week:

Latin America Day—Thursday 7th December

We have a national newspaper visiting Bird in Bush School to hear about the amazing cultural food events that we have been hosting and to share in a final Latin America Day celebrations.

- Year 6 parents/carers—Residential Journey Meeting Tuesday 5th December at 8.45 a.m. and repeated at 6.00 p.m.
- Year 3 trip (Horniman Museum); more Sports Trips including Year 5 Futsal trip & a Year 6 Ice Skating trip.
& tomorrow, Saturday 2nd December Captain Neriah and our school team play our next football league match. Good luck to all

December 2023 highlights

Thank you to Miss Sasha from the office for this information

Colourful Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch Wednesday 15th December

*"It is that time of year again,
where we all show up and
show out wearing our
colourful festive jumpers!!!*

*This is an opportunity to wear
our finest knitwear and show
everyone how it is done to
celebrate the festive season,
so we hope that you will all
be joining in on Wednesday
20th December.*

*We will also be having our
delicious Christmas lunch on
this day as well. This is a time
for us to come together to
celebrate, indulge in lovely
feast and make merry with all
our friends and staff."*

CHAMPS – FREE School Holiday Camp

We have few spaces left for CHAMPS this year, which will be taking place on 2nd – 5th January 2024.

CHAMPS will be here at Bird in Bush and is a time for the children to come and expend any remaining energy they have after all the treats they will have had over the Christmas period.

*It will be opened to all Bird in Bush pupils from Yr 1 to Yr 6.
For further information, please visit the school office to sign your children up or make your booking at office@birdinbush.southwark.ac.uk.*

RECEPTION OPEN DAYS

We are opening our doors to all prospective pupils for 2024 admission.

We will be having tours of the Reception every Wednesday across December and January from 9 a.m. to showcase our wonderful staff and early years department.

We are looking forward to meeting new faces whom we hope will be joining us in the New Year.

For tours of the Early Years please book via our school office or at office@birdinbush.southwark.sch.uk.

The Nativity story... told by the Early Years children of Bird in Bush School

**Come and join us for a magical celebration of acting, singing and lots of fun with our children dressed up and on stage.
Wednesday 13th December at 9.15 a.m. or Thursday 14th December at 2.00 p.m.**

All these December activities are before the end of term on Thursday 21st December at 12.00 noon

Remember the Spring Term then restarts on Monday 8th January

Bird in Bush School is a winning school!

The fastest growing school in Southwark, year on year at this time.

Other schools just can't compete... in Athletics for example... Southwark School Winners.. with winners in every class, bringing home lanyards acknowledging their successes.

Exceptional well done and thank you to all



One's Primary School Years should be full of exceptional memories of happy times; friends; inclusion. We would add to that, a racially literate curriculum and staff who are dedicated to supporting the children at the school, even if mistakes are made and from which we all learn so much.

Bird in Bush School have celebrated: Eritrea and Ethiopia Day Somalia Day Ghana Day 2023

*#exceptionaleveryday
in action and in one
small corner of Peckham*



See overleaf for ideas on how next to celebrate our school community.

One School, One Community, One World.. We did it!

We are Bird in Bush Primary School and we are very proud of our diverse community.

We have celebrated with every flag of our school community around our playground.

We finished this week with Latvia, a European country where we have just one family in our school.

Saying that we have a flag flying for children and staff who are only half from that country, such as Malawi, Italy and Palestine.

Most importantly, we are one school who loves all our children equally and we are educating them exceptionally everyday to pass on this position of inclusion and celebration of all.

The following suggestions have been made to continue to celebrate our school community:

- a series of assemblies in Spring Term focused on continents of the world where our children/staff come from. A Europe focused; an Asian focused; an Americas focused and an African focused Assembly. We would love your contributions to these assemblies and all suggestions are welcomed about ways to educate our children.
- a cookbook which captures all the Bird in Bush cuisines celebrated across this term. Each page having a recipe on one side and the flag and important information about the country on the other side
- further changes to our curriculum to add more music, art, DT that reflects the countries of our school.

International celebrations at Bird in Bush School—Autumn 2023
Thank you to so many of you who have kindly supported, donated and celebrated

Week commencing	Wednesdays	Thursdays
Monday 2 nd October	04.10 ENGLAND	05.10 GREECE
Monday 9 th October	11.10 POLAND	12.10 NIGERIA
Monday 16 th October	18.10 BANGLADESH	13.10 JAMAICA
Monday 30 th October	01.11 SPAIN	02.11 NORTH AFRICA
Monday 6 th November	08.11 SIERRA LEONE	09.11 VIETNAM
Monday 13 th November	15.11 AFGHANISTAN	16.11 SOUTH AMERICA
Monday 20 th November	22.11 ETHIOPIA/ERITREA	23.11 GHANA
Monday 27 th November	29.11 SOMALIA	07.12 LATIN AMERICAN

Celebrating our school's community and celebrating the cultural capital of our school is something we are enormous proud in achieving at Bird in Bush School



& finally, a message from our Local Authority Education Department:

Bird in Bush Primary School is Southwark's newest school!

Southwark local authority is incredibly proud of the most recent addition to the school landscape and of the part it will play in the future education of Peckham's young people.

The successful amalgamation of Camelot Primary School and Cobourg Primary School on 1st September 2023 is a testament to the vision, ambition, tenacity and hard work of the headteacher, Interim Executive Board (Cobourg), governors (Camelot), staff and communities of both schools.

Southwark is proud of the work of these stakeholders and congratulates the new school on effectively uniting new learners, families, staff and communities in months – EXCEPTIONAL!

Richard Hunter (Principal Advisor), PP The Director of Education

Southwark Education's current evaluation of our school—Autumn 2023

A - Overall effectiveness is at least good and there are no current significant concerns

Leadership that drives continuous self-challenge and improvement through accurate and highly effective self-evaluation and systematically builds leadership capacity at all levels

Teaching is expertly delivering a broad and rich curriculum that is well thought out, sequenced and consistently implemented providing opportunities for all learners to study in greater depth across all subjects. (OFSTED transition arrangements not needed)

Provision for pupils results in a sustainable upward trajectory of outcomes in all key stages and differences are diminishing for vulnerable groups

EYFS is good or outstanding and has practice that can be shared because curriculum provision is rich, deep and intricately constructed so that all learners make exceptional progress

Staffing is stable and succession is planned for. Staff morale is high because well-being and professional development is a high priority, exceptionally well planned for and is highly effective

Pupils are highly independent, confident and resilient as a result of thoughtfully planned SMSC, rich experiences and an inclusive culture that nurtures pupils' well-being, talents and interests

Behaviour and attitudes are exceptional and demonstrated through pupils ability to discuss and debate, support the well-being of others and contribute to the life of the school

SEND pupils make good and better progress; provision for more complex SEND is personalised and secures access to a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum

Safeguarding is effective; the safeguarding culture is highly integrated, explicitly reinforced at all levels and influences all aspects of school life

Attendance is above national, persistent absence is below national and there are no exclusions

There are rarely issues with governance, support for NQTs, website compliance, admissions, finance and HR and any parental complaints are resolved effectively

The leadership team works tirelessly to successfully engages parents and their wider community