The Bird in Bush School Newsletter

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Parents Evening Spring Term 2024

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VIEW

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended this week. The school team will be in touch to rearrange any missed appointments as these meetings are seen as essential for supporting your child's education at this time. The agenda for the meetings looked at attainment & progress for your child as well as their attendance & punctuality.

Chance to meet our Mayor Wednesday 7th February 2.30-3.00 p.m. Please come to the main gate and join this important opportunity

Come and watch the **African Cup of Nations** Semi Final next Wednesday 7th February 5.00—7.00 p.m. in Rio Hall at school.

One for all the family.

We would love you to bring some food to share.

Winners of this evening's Nigeria v Angola game will be playing on Wednesday

PE timetable for Week commencing Monday 5th February

Year 1—Friday (Dance)

Due to the Year 2 trip on Friday—Year 2 PE with be on Monday (Indoor Games);

Year 3— Thursday (Cricket);

Year 4— Friday (Dance);

Year 5—Friday (Outdoor + Oystercatcher class to swim) Year 6—Thursday (Outdoor + 8.00 a.m. lesson on Thursday)

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Bird in Bush School 2024 A school with stability

A school acknowledged as a success story in our community

A school of opportunity

Lambeth announced a plan detailing 4,000 fewer primary school places in the borough over seven years, and Southwark has earmarked at least 16 schools at risk.

In Southwark, Camelot School in Bush Road and Cobourg School in Cobourg Road have just merged to become Bird in Bush School, based on the Camelot premises.



Head teacher James Robinson told BBC London: "The positive is that now we're running a school with surplus [budget] and this time last year we were running two schools with a deficit of over six figures each.

"The positive surplus brings opportunities in terms of provision for curriculum, staffing and leadership - mainly stability."

"We are thrilled that the positives from the changing situation of Southwark Schools can be highlighted by the experience of Bird in Bush School.

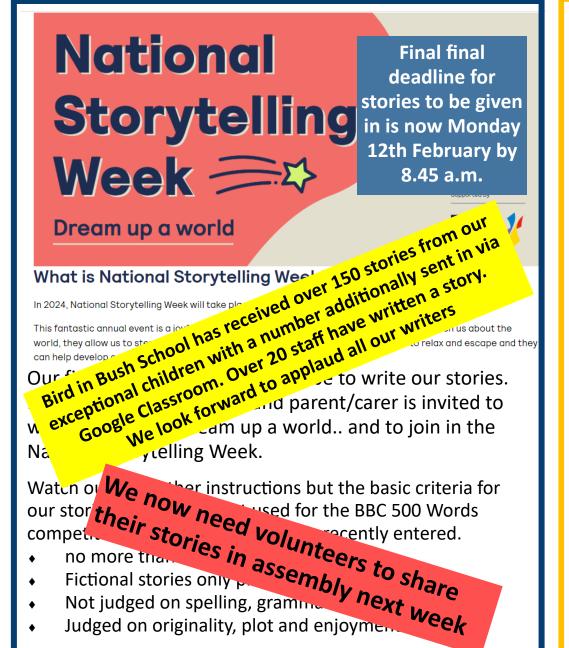
The school is aware that Southwark Council and wider authorities see the situation at Bird in Bush as exceptional for a number of reasons including:

- ensuring immediate improvements in the quality of education provision for the pupils of the new school

- welcoming every single pupil as well as additional pupils to the new school

- working tirelessly to support the amalgamation plans for the new school.

There are likely to be many more school closures and mergers across the capital



We would love to welcome parent/carer/family members to come and tell a story to our children in assembly. Please let Mr Robinson know if you can come to school on Monday 5th, Tuesday 6th or Wednesday 7th February? The second Super Six Challenge will be across the holiday week in February preparing for the Bird in Bush School Parade. Super 6 medals will only be given to those children participating in each challenge

CHINESE DRAGON MASH

Mid term Holiday challenge Chinese Mask Colouring



 \sim Every Year 1—6 child will be < sent home with two different < masks to colour in and return < on Monday 19th February.

The masks will then be laminated to be worn at the Chinese New Year parade on Friday 23rd February. This is a Super Six Challenge We invite all parents & carers to come to school to watch the professional Chinese New Year Dancers

The Chinese

New Year Parade

Come and join in with the Bird in Bush Year of the Dragon/Chinese New Year Parade in the playground on Friday 23rd February.

During the February half term, there will be a Chinese New The information above shares the exciting plans for every child to participate in the school's second Super Six Challenge. This promises to be an exceptional celebration at Bird in Bush School at this time

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4 of our AFCON teams are through the last 8 starting this weekend.

Do you know your country badges?





Apologies from Mr Robinson that his own children only bought him a Nigeria top for his Christmas! Mr Robinson is happy to be given other shirts for other international teams but definitely not shirts for Arsenal, Chelsea, Manchester United.. Only Crystal Palace if it is about Premiership Football!

In the meantime, its come on Nigeria, come on DR Congo, come on Guinea and come on Ivory Coast as the last Bird in Bush School Community teams.

Come and watch the African Cup of Nations Semi Final Matches with us at Bird in Bush on Wednesday 7th February at 5.00 p.m. in the Rio Hall.

There have been offers to bring food to share at this event which are well received. This is an event for parents and children to attend together, possibly dressed in team colours.

This is an event for everyone not just supporters of African Nations Football. Please let Mr Robinson know if you are attending and if you are able to bring some of that lovely food that the Bird in Bush community makes.

Guess who won the recent Girls Football Tournament hosted at Bird in Bush School?!

+ invitation for all our girls interested in football

