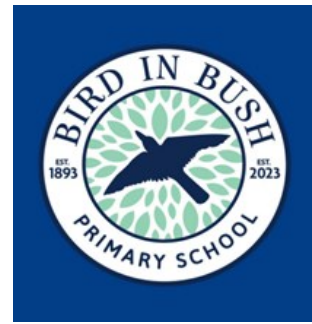




# The Bird in Bush School Newsletter

March 2024 edition one

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## Local Authority Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Committee Report

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this item is to outline the rationale, challenges and successes of the creation of Bird in Bush Primary School, through the amalgamation of Cobourg and Camelot Primary Schools in September 2023, on the Camelot Primary School site.

Thank you to all our parents and carers, families, pupils and staff for the support you have given to Bird in Bush School

Bird in Bush Primary School is a unified, harmonious learning environment thanks to the hard work of the staff and families of both schools and good strategic steer from the governing body.

The focus of the school's leadership team is now once again focused on the quality of education for its learners whatever their needs, rather than the distraction of the amalgamation process, or else sufficient pupils to make the school viable and ensure a high quality education for all children. The healthy state of the budget means that more options are available to leaders.

The amalgamation to form Bird in Bush School is a fairly recent event. We are only now at the stage of beginning to evaluate its success following the completion of one and a half terms.

The establishment of Bird in Bush Primary School is a huge success for the communities by stakeholders involved in achieving it.

Southwark Council are sharing the story of our success with the wider community.

**We are enormously proud that others are saying:**  
*"The establishment of Bird in Bush Primary School is a huge success"*

## World Book Day 2024

We will be celebrating at Bird in Bush School on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

**Pupil parade of your dressing up efforts & costumes from 8.45—9.15 a.m. All invited**

## PE timetable for Week commencing Monday 4th March—changes in red

Year 1—**Wednesday (outdoor)**

Year 2—**Thursday—Outdoor PE**

Year 3—**Wednesday (outdoor)**

Year 4—**Friday—Outdoor PE + Swimming for Miss Ben's Osprey Class**

Year 5—**Friday (Outdoor)**

Year 6—**Thursday (Outdoor + 8.00 a.m. lesson on Thursday)**



# Don't miss the key Bird in Bush School Dates at this time



Friday 1st March                      Year 6 Secondary School Allocation Date from 5.00 p.m.

Friday 8th March                      World Book Day and Parade for all (8.45—9.15 a.m.)

Monday 11th—Wednesday 13th March                      Year 6 Residential Part 1—

Monday 11th March                      British Science Week & Posters return date

Friday 15th March                      Breakfast invitation for all—see this newsletter

Thursday 21st March                      Special day for celebrating Miss Mesmain

*(Miss Mesmain retires at the end of term after 27 years working here... wow!)*

Thursday 28th March                      End of Spring Term

Friday 29th March                      Spring Holidays start

Monday 8th—Friday 12th April                      CHAMPS at Bird in Bush School

Monday 15th April                      Summer Term at Bird in Bush School starts

# Science Week Super Six March Challenge



## Bird in Bush Primary school Science Week

11th-15th March 2024

### Class challenge

Can your class grow the tallest sunflower?



### Challenges to complete at home

#### *Family recycling project*

Have a go at creating something new out of your recycling.

More information to follow.

#### *Poster competition*

Get creative and design a poster all about Science following the theme of living things and growing.

Posters to be returned by Monday 11th March

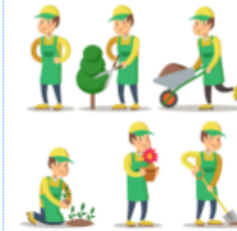
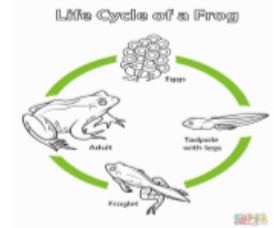
#### *Prizes to be won.*

For more information come and see Miss Sampson in Falcon class.

What every child will be given in their Science Week pack includes with the following:

- \* Two pieces of card for their poster—one for a draft poster and one for your final poster
- \* a sheet with growing things pictures that can be cut out and stuck on to your poster.

## Growing



Bird in Bush Logo, Pictures, Title for cutting out for sticking on to your British Science Week Poster

# 6 Super Challenge

# WBD Dressing up Day

Friday 8th March

+ Parade 8.45—9.15 a.m.

On **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** we invite the children to **dress up** as their favourite or well-known character from a **poem or nursery rhyme**

Can we recommend classic nursery rhymes and poems with great characters for giving ideas for dressing up such as;

- The Owl and the Pussy Cat,
- Mary had a Little Lamb,
- Old Mother Hubbard

or some modern classic poems such as;

- Gran (from Gran Can You Rap),
- the boy from Michael Rosen's 'Chocolate Cake'

or get inspired by Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes:

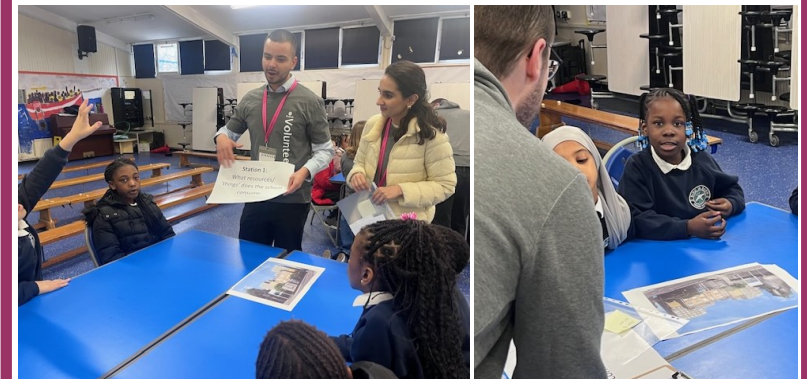
- based on six well known traditional tales: Cinderella; Jack and the Beanstalk; Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs; Goldilocks and the Three Bears; Little Red Riding Hood; and The Three Little Pigs

**Or keep your costumes simple and try to make and decorate a mask.**

## Sustainability Workshops at Bird in Bush School

Year 4 pupils engaged in a workshop to better understand our responsibilities for sustaining our environment and our communities at this time.

Exceptional engagement was noted by our volunteer visitors from Pearson Publishing.



**Monday 8th to Friday  
12th April 2024  
daily from 10.00 a.m  
to 2.30 p.m**

**Now we are over 60 places  
booked—hurry up!**

**Bird in Bush School**  
(that will be the only school in  
Southwark offering a free  
holiday provision to its  
children and families !)

***“What we have learned from previous CHAMPS”***

1. Children are unsure if they have been accepted into one of the limited places for CHAMPS  
Solution: Every Bird in Bush child (Year 1—Year 6) signing up will be given a chocolate Easter Egg in a school assembly that confirms that they are invited to attend and to take one of the 100 places we have for this Spring. Sign up now with Mr Imran or via the office or on 07931 616456
2. Children want to know what events are planned so here are plans so far... theatre/cinema trips; swimming & cycling; river boat trips; bowling and basketball; art events and trips and even Nandos for CHAMPS competition winners (which Mr Robinson has volunteered to lead!)

## **A full English Breakfast with a Halal Twist**



**Halal bacon & sausages  
Baked Beans  
Hash Browns  
  
Orange Juice  
Toast**

## **Friday 15th March**

**All invited (8.15—8.25 a.m. doors open)  
Sign up in the School Office for your child**

**Wow! What a way to start the day!**

**(only possible because of the commitment given to  
our school by many of staff team. Special mention to  
Miss Casey, Miss Lou, Miss Izabela, Miss Maribel)**