



# The Bird in Bush School Newsletter

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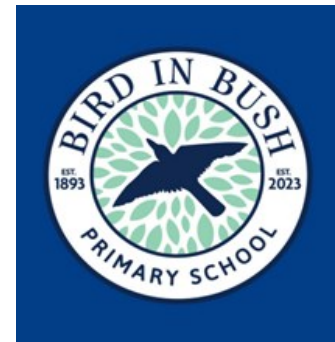
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## Welcome to Bird in Bush School—Southwark's new Primary School

Bird in Bush School is new for everyone... pupils, staff, parents/carers. Let's work together to ensure that our school will be the 'talk of the town' immediately.

There will be lots to clarify to all over the coming weeks and we recognise that there are many challenges for Bird in Bush School that other schools will not face at this time. Behind the scenes, the staff have worked tirelessly across the summer to be ready for this time but we are also well aware we have so much more to do.

In the first instance we ask for your support, patience and communication with us so that we can continue to achieve our everyday aspiration to strive to be exceptional in the education we offer to our pupils. We are a school that requests your direct communication on any queries and in the first instance please liaise directly with Mr Robinson on 07944 720606

**"COMING TOGETHER IS A BEGINNING;  
KEEPING TOGETHER IS PROGRESS;  
WORKING TOGETHER IS SUCCESS."**

- Henry Ford

Bird in Bush School is not affected by recent concerns regarding public buildings constructed with reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC)

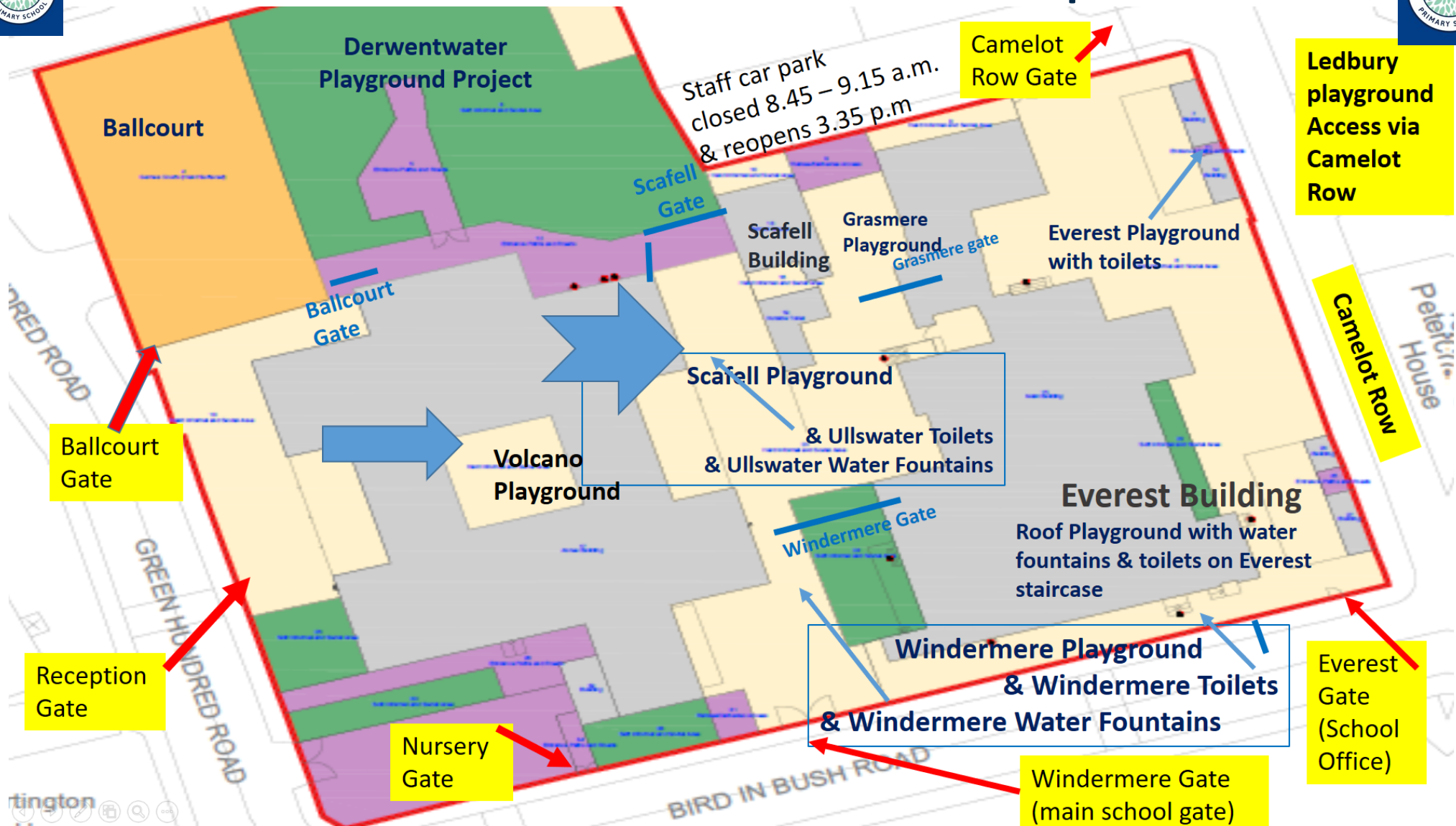
## Thank you for collecting our free uniform offer

See overleaf for further advice on School Uniform but we are so grateful that so many of you (95% of our families collected uniform)





# The Bird in Bush School Map



## The main Windermere Gate on Bird in Bush Road opens as follows:

From 7.45—8.15 a.m. for paid Pre School Provision (£2 daily)

From 8.20—8.30 a.m. for free breakfast club for all

From 8.40 a.m. for all pupils in Years 2, 3, 4, 5 (Please note pupils in Year 1 enter via the Everest Gate)

At 3.10 p.m. Yr 1&2 pupils exit via the Everest Gate; Yr 3, 4 & 5 pupils via the Windermere Gate and Yr 6 via ballcourt gate

## Pre School and After School Provision at Bird in Bush School:

### Pre School Provision\*:

- Opens from 7.45 a.m. with last entry at 8.15 a.m.
- Access to Provision via the main Windermere Gate on Bird in Bush Road.
- Provision is run by Miss Taylor and Miss Denise
- £2 a day payable in advance
- This is an outdoor provision except where wet with children playing outside in the school playgrounds.

\* Paid Pre School Provision is in addition to the free breakfast club offer made to all pupils and for which the main Windermere gate opens at 8.20 a.m. closing at 8.30 a.m.

### After School Provision:

- Opens from end of school day to 5.45 p.m.
- Collection is from the ballcourt gate on Green Hundred Road. There will be a mobile phone number provided to all parents/carers to ring to inform staff when you arrive
- Provision is run by Miss Casey and Miss Anderson
- £8 a day payable in advance and includes after school meal
- This is an indoor and outdoor provision

**Please note all places for these provisions are booked via the main school office**

## Attendance and Punctuality Expectations

Bird in Bush School strives to exceed national expectations for attendance to school as our schools have achieved in all of the recent years of exceptional everyday education.

To ensure we meet these expectations we ask that all attendance matters are communicated clearly and in the knowledge that all attendance concerns question whether our pupils are receiving their full educational entitlement.

The hours for the school day at Bird in Bush School are as follows:

***School Start time: 8.40 a.m.***

***School End time: 3.10 p.m.***

**Any lateness will upset daily routines**

## School Food Expectations at Bird in Bush School

Bird in Bush School is one of Southwark's Food Flagship Schools and we strive to ensure every child eats our exceptional school dinners alongside our staff every day.

The standards continue to amaze visitors who comment on the pleasure in seeing the vegetables, a range of main courses include a variety of fish and halal meat dishes all being eagerly consumed by our children.

Packed lunches are tightly monitored to ensure the same national food standards are met. No shop bought items are expected and no nuts, pork products, crisps please

**School dinners are also free for all**

# Uniform expectations for Bird in Bush School

A policy on school uniform will follow which will share the following aims that have guided our uniform expectations for Bird in Bush School. These aims include:

- Our approach to requiring a uniform is driven by ensuring reasonable cost and offers the best value for money for parents and carers
- Our approach will seek to avoid discrimination in line with our legal duties under the Equality Act 2010
- Our approach will seek to clarify our expectations for school uniform

The following items of school uniform have been given out free to all pupils:

## 1. White School Polo Shirt with Bird in Bush School breast logo.

Pupils are encouraged to wear this Polo Shirt but also parents and carers can complement the logo shirt with simple plain white shirts bought from uniform shop providers. The shirt must be all white with a collar.



## 2. Blue School Sweatshirt with Bird in Bush School breast logo.

This is the main item of school uniform and replaces jumpers or other sweatshirts. We ask that pupils wear the sweatshirt daily. Parents/carers are encouraged to buy extra sweatshirts from our school uniform shop, APT on Rye Lane from mid September onwards. Please note badges are being made to enable these to be stitched on to blazers which can be worn in the colder months ahead as an extra layer of warmth. Blazers are no longer compulsory school uniform. Ties are also discontinued.

## 3. White School PE Polo Shirt with Bird in Bush School breast logo.

PE is taught with all pupils dressed in the School White PE top. No replacement tops are allowed especially football shirts or shirts with logos or writing across them. The school PE shorts are blue and we ask that tracksuits are also blue. The old tracksuits as worn last year are accepted this time while we wait for delivery of the new Bird in Bush tracksuits and shorts.



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## 4. School bag—with name label—we ask that this is used to manage school uniform expectations as required but particularly on PE days (a separate letter will confirm PE days)

We ask that in addition, pupils wear plain grey trousers/skirts although summer dresses are encouraged in hotter weather. School shoes are requested to be plain black shoes not colourful fashion footwear which will be discouraged.