



The Bird in Bush School Newsletter

Second Edition—September Two

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Autumn Term Parents Evening

Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th September

Tuesday 26th 3.20 p.m.—6.00 p.m. & Wednesday 27th 3.20—4.30 p.m.

Sign for Parents Evening will be on tables outside gates starting tomorrow, Friday 15th and across next week. Please remember, parents/carers can request times via the school office. Email office@birdinbush.southwark.sch.uk

How Autumn Term Parents Evening works There are fifteen minute timeslots for two children each slot. Teachers will split the time between the two groups of parents/carers attending. Parents/carers are not allocated a whole fifteen minutes with the teacher.

If further time is needed, this can be arranged for another time.

We ask that all parents/carers supervise their children at all times whilst attending Parents Evening. Any queries about plans can be directed to Mr Robinson.

We ask every parent/carers to make the necessary effort to attend an appointment.

Meet the Teacher invites next week (Yr 1, Yr 2 & Yr 3)

Parents/Carers are invited to stay behind after drop off time to meet their child's class teacher on the following dates. Come to the Rio Hall first and finish by seeing your children in their classes. 8.45—9.15 a.m. as follows:

Next Wednesday 20th September—Year 3 Parents/Carers invite

Next Thursday 21st September—Year 2 Parents/Carers invite

Next Friday 22nd September—Year 1 Parents/Carers invite

Parents/Carer Survey Autumn 2023

For 2023-2024, Bird in Bush School will undertake termly surveys to ensure we are taking your feedback about our priorities at the time.

The priority focus will be in addition, the standard question regarding the effectiveness of the school's teaching and learning/curriculum offer, its leadership and the personal development provided for the pupils.

The Autumn Term focus will be providing for pupils' mental health and well being at this time of considerable change for us all.

Surveys will be sent out in hard copy for the last time and we will move to electronic surveys in 2024.

The survey will be sent out to coincide with parents evening ahead

& Year 1—6 Parents/Carers look out for After School Club Invitation Letter coming out tomorrow, Friday 15th September



Packed Lunches expectations for a Food Flagship School



School Food Expectations at Bird in Bush School

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.

Bird in Bush School will support children eating packed lunches if chosen but on the condition that standards are consistent for all. Items not meeting standards will be sent home at the end of the day with children encouraged to try school dinners instead.

+ School dinners are also free for all costed at over £2.50 a day per child = £50 free food/money per child per month.

Chef Carlos and school leaders are finalising the new school menu to adapt to the increased pupil roll at the school and a sneak preview of week one is shared here. In due course, our newsletter will advertise which week of the three week cycle we are following so parents/carers can encourage their children away from packed lunches on certain days. Breaking the cycle of spending money on packed lunch food should be the first target.



Bird in Bush Primary School Lunch Menu – Week 1

Key - Halal H / Free Range FR / Red Tractor RT / Wholegrain W / MSC Certified M

	Choice of main dishes	Sides available and Dessert
Monday	Beef bolognese with spaghetti Jacket potatoes filled with tuna, sweetcorn or cheese Vegetarian paella	Red cabbage and runner beans <i>Strawberry yoghurt and fruits</i>
Tuesday	Sizzling chicken tacos with traditional toppings Vegetable medley with cous cous Mixed vegetables and tomato pasta	Garden broccoli and cauliflower <i>Autumn fruit salad with vanilla sauce</i>
Wednesday	Halal red Thai Turkey curry with rice Bean and mushroom stroganoff with rice Stuffed butternut squash	British farmed peas and carrots <i>Seasonal fruit salad and yoghurt</i>
Thursday	Roast chicken with roasted potatoes and gravy Omelette popovers with roast potatoes Brie and beetroot tart	Organic root vegetables <i>Homemade Mandarin jelly</i>
Friday	Macaroni cheese Slow-cooked Jacket potatoes filled with baked beans and cheese Vegetable quiche and feta salad	Mixed seasonal vegetables <i>Eve's pudding and custard</i>

The following is available daily – wholemeal, white and pitta bread / water and milk
A selection of salads including Greek salad, avocado salad, asparagus salad and prawn cocktail salad

Once finalised, all three weekly menus will be shared with all parents/carers on our website and in our newsletter. For now, we're all looking forward to exceptional school food ahead.



Uniform updates

Firstly, huge thanks are passed on to all parents/carers for supporting efforts to support the implementation of our new school uniform.

All free uniform items are now being returned to our uniform provider, APT who have their shop on Rye Lane, Peckham opposite Primark and Specsavers.

The school has recorded where we still owe parents/carers single items where stocks ran out. The school will take responsibility for distributing these items when they are delivered. Key stock issues are currently experienced with the school PE shirts and XL Polo Shirts.

Please note that all school uniform will be sold by APT at a pre-agreed price which means the best possible charge for items will be available to you. Additional items such as

Bird in Bush School PE shorts and tracksuits are in production and will be made available in weeks ahead.

To support uniform items when the weather becomes colder, we are seeking to produce a Bird in Bush blazer badge that we will give out to be sewn onto blue blazers. Pupils can then wear blue blazers on top of sweatshirts.



Bird in Bush Primary School Term and Holiday dates

Academic year 2023/2024

Autumn term 2023

- Monday 4th September 2023* to Friday 20th October 2023 (35 school days)
Half Term Monday 23rd October 2023 to Friday 27th October 2023
- Tuesday 31st October 2023 to Friday 22nd December 2023 (38 school days)
Mid-term Inset Day Friday 24th November 2023

Spring term 2024

- Monday 8th January 2024 to Friday 9th February 2024 (25 school days)
Half Term Monday 12th February 2024 to Friday 16th February 2024
- Monday 19th February 2024 to Thursday 28th March 2024 (29 school days)

Summer term 2024

- Monday 15th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024 (29 school days)
Half Term Monday 27th May 2024 to Friday 31st May 2024
- Tuesday 4th June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024 (34 school days)

Please be considerate of these term dates if making appointments or booking holidays. The school believes all such bookings should be able in such a way to ensure your child attends every day.. 100%

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

- **Paid Pre School Provision (starting from 7.45 a.m. daily) 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.**
- **Please note that free breakfast club is for children to eat not as free childcare. Thank you.**

Pre School Provision:

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

After School Provision:

- Opens from end of school day to 5.45 p.m.
- Collection is from the ballcourt gate on Green Hundred Road
- After School Club Phone Number is 07597 981442
- 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.



& Yes, your Year 3 –6 child is correct if they tell you they have a chance to win a new Decathlon bike each term should they win our termly lottery draw. To be in the draw, your child needs 100% attendance & 100% punctuality to school prior to registers closing.

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

PE times next week

Week commencing Monday 18th September

Next week's plans will see PE for year groups as follows:

Year 1—Monday (Dance) and Thursday

Year 2—Tuesday and Friday (Dance)

Year 3—Friday (Dance)

Year 4—Tuesday

Year 5— Friday

Year 6—Thursday (+ additional 8.00 a.m. lesson)

Then there will be occasions when we will need to work in partnership on a closer basis. From our Behaviour and Discipline Policy—as previously circulated—please find our agreed practice for communicating daily pupil challenges at school. Further explanation will follow in meetings



Bird in Bush School - Tiers of communication 2023- 2024



<p>Green behaviour - 1st and 2nd reminder (verbal)</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Not logged on Arbor ● pupil apologises to teacher ● pupil supported by teacher to make change behaviour 	
<p>Yellow behaviour- 3rd reminder (time out from class) E.g.- continued low level disruption, distracting others from their learning</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sent to the other year group for 10 minutes- <i>child expected to join in with learning of the other class</i> ● pupil apologises to teacher upon return ● teacher Logs on Arbor (parent/carer phone call home by class teacher and notes of conversation added to Arbor) 	
<p>Orange behaviour* - SLT support</p> <p>* 15 minutes in Inclusion Room only for KS2 pupils</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● teacher logs on Arbor ● 15 minutes timeout in Inclusion Room or 5-15 minutes class based support (subject to SLT decision). Class teacher will ensure the class school council representative escorts the pupil to Inclusion room where necessary ● Pupil apologises to teacher at next appropriate opportunity and spends 5 minutes of their next play/lunch with teacher for a restorative conversation (see behaviour policy) and adds note on Arbor ● teacher to arrange meeting with parent/carer and inclusion team on the same day 	
<p>Red behaviour - SLT involvement</p> <p><i>Examples of Red behaviour:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - prejudice bullying/language - verbal/physical abuse - continued defiance (e.g. refusal to enter classroom after Yellow and Orange tiers have been followed) - disruptive/dangerous behaviour (e.g. intentional damage to the classroom/ school) <p><i>+ swearing/kissing teeth from KS2 pupils – all incidents, heard by an adult = playground consequence</i></p>	<p><u>Actions</u> - playground</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● restorative conversation with pupil/ pupils by SLT on the same day and SLT log on Arbor ● SLT meet with parent/carer on the same day ● playground consequence next day for KS2 children authorised by SLT (15 minutes 12:45 to 1:00 p.m.in DHT's office) ● pupil not allowed to attend school clubs on that day and parents/carers informed by 2.00 p.m. ● Pupils may be removed from breakfast club and after school provision for continued Red behaviour subject to Executive Headteacher decision 	<p><u>Actions</u> - classroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● teacher logs incident on Arbor and notifies SLT ● school council representative escorts the pupil to Inclusion room or SLT collects pupil ● restorative conversation with pupil by SLT and SLT decides consequence ● class teacher and SLT meet with parents on the same day ● playground consequence next day for KS2 children (15 minutes 12:45 to 1:00 p.m.in DHT's office) ● internal exclusion based in the Inclusion room* ● Pupils may be removed from breakfast club and after school provision for continued Red behaviour subject to Executive Headteacher decision <p><i>*subject to SLT approval. Class teachers will ensure the usual tailored lesson work is placed in the Inclusion room at the start of each day for the length of the IE to ensure the pupil is accessing their learning.</i></p>
<p>Executive Headteacher After School Detentions (Year 5 & 6)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Decision to authorise detention taken by EHT only ● Executive Headteacher will inform parent/carer in advance (by 2.00 p.m) ● Pupil will be kept in school until 4pm ● Not applicable for EHCP/SEND pupils 	