



The last day of the Autumn term is Friday 17th December 2021.
Please note that there is an INSET day on Tuesday 4th January 2022.
School will be open to pupils on Wednesday 5th January 2022 for the Spring term.
Please note that the Nursery gate will be open from 8:45am in January.

Christmas Calendar—Information for parents

It's Christmas time again! Let the celebrations begin.

Monday 13 December

- **Christmas class parties in the afternoon**

Children can come to school in their party clothes and wear them all day. The children can bring food to share with their classmates.

Tuesday 14 December

- **Nativity show @ 2:30pm - Reception VVG & Year 1 AA**

Wednesday 15 December

- **Nativity show @ 2:30pm - Reception AS & Year 1 MF**

Thursday 16 December

- **Nativity show @ 2:30pm - Reception BP & Year 1 JEH**
- **Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch**

Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers and festive accessories and bring in £1 to donate to 'Save The Children'.

We will have buckets for collections on each of the gates at the beginning and end of the day.

The children will all share in a special Christmas dinner and they will all be wearing their Christmas jumpers!

We encourage parents & carers who are attending the Nativity shows to take an LFD test before coming in to school. The school can provide you with a test kit, please collect one from the front office.

Wearing face masks will be compulsory unless you are exempt.





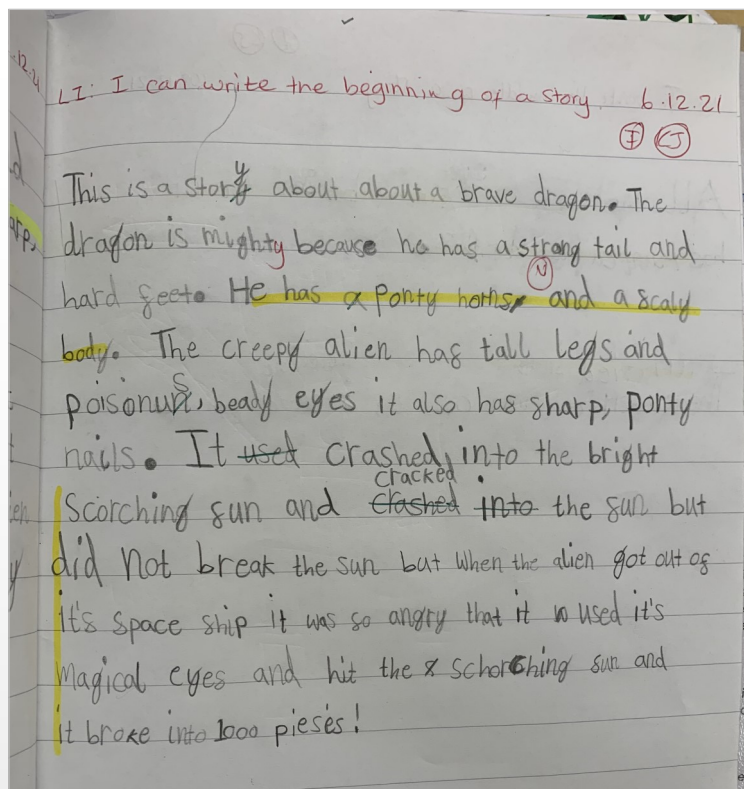
YEAR 1 AND RECEPTION PRESENT

Piggledy Piggledy Nativity

A Joyful
Nativity Musical
by

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Wednesday 15th Dec 2:30 - Reception AS & Year 1 MF
Thursday 16th Dec 2:30 - Reception BP & Year 1 JEH

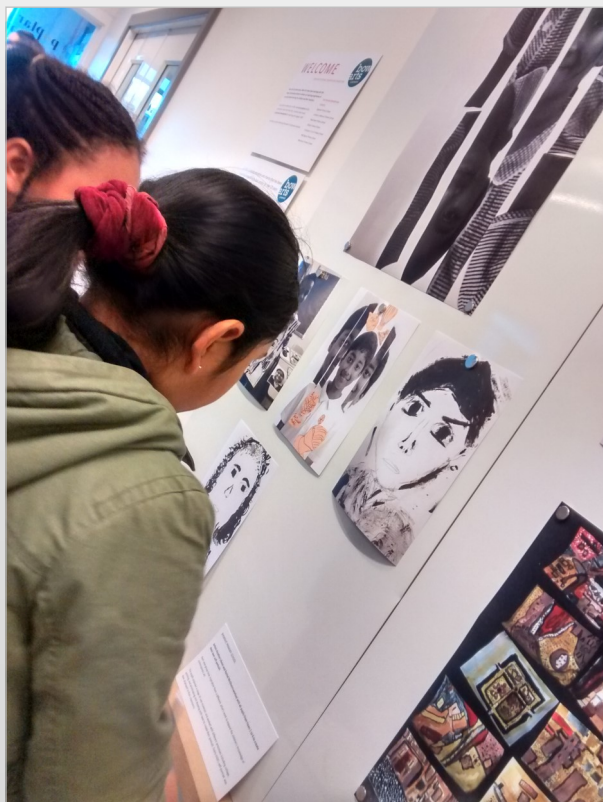
Please arrive via the front school office (entry is free)



Rumaysa in Year 2 Marie Curie class wrote a brilliant beginning for her story, she innovated how her character got rid of the sun.

We visited Poplar Union to see an exhibition of artworks made by children from seven Poplar schools (including Stebon & Bygrove), all of whom had worked with a Bow Artist.

An exhibition trail booklet asked us to be art detectives and problem solving designers. We particularly enjoyed designing our perfect chair.





This week's Lexia Superstars!

The children that have achieved certificates this week are.... *cue drumroll*

Mushfiq-Ur Rahman in Y4 Rosa Parks class

Rayyan Abdi in Y4 Rosa Parks class

Sazidur Rahman in Y5 Nelson Mandela class

Zayn Rahman in Y5 Malala Yousafzai class

Evani Khan Y5 Malala Yousafzai class

Munna Ruhul in Y6 Alfred Russel Wallace class

Sayema Aktar in Y6 Joy Adamson class

Humaira Sadekah in Y6 Joy Adamson class

Tamjeed Ali in Y6 Joy Adamson class

Sakib Al Islam in Y6 Joy Adamson class

We'd like to give a MASSIVE round of applause to these children for using Lexia regularly! Thank you for all of your efforts!

Family Learning homework

We wanted to remind you about the Family Learning homework you can access on the Stebon website. There are lots of fun activities for you and your children to do, which are all related to their current learning in class. They should help you to keep the children entertained during these cold, wet winter weekends! We always love to see what the children are working on at home so please remind your children to bring in any Family Learning they have completed to share with their class. At the end of the term we will celebrate the fantastic learning the children have done as a whole school. Some of the best work might even make it to the newsletter!

To find your Child's Family Learning go to: <https://www.stebon.org.uk/Family-Learning/> and click on the 'Home Learning' tab at the top of the page. You can then select your child's year group and find the optional activities for the Autumn term. Enjoy! We can't wait to see what's produced!

Parenting Smart (Place2Be)

The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has launched a new website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children.

Advice can be found on over forty topics including:

- Understanding sibling rivalry
- My child is lying, what does it mean, what should I do?
- My child has trouble going to sleep
- My child says 'I hate you!'
- Cultural identity: who am I?

The Parenting Smart website can found here:

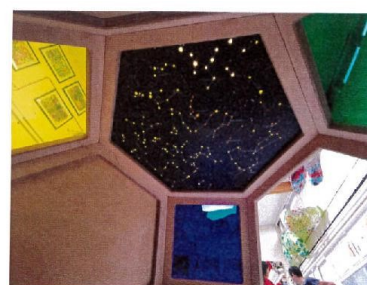
<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>



Coffee mornings are back!

Thursdays 9:15 - 10:30am in the Family Learning Room

Get the chance to meet other parents and enjoy lovely refreshments and coffee



Bow Arts Poplar Consortium Exhibition

8th - 17th December
Mon-Fri 09:30 – 17:00
Poplar Union
2 Cotall Street
London E14 6TL

Bow Arts and the Poplar Consortium schools invite you to an exhibition to celebrate the seventh year of our successful partnership. We have been working with seven schools in Poplar to deliver innovative art programmes where artists have worked with teachers and pupils on a wide range of projects.

The exhibition showcases the creative achievements of pupils, teachers, and artists over the past two years. Come along to see the exhibition and find out more about our unique model for arts education.

Please email learning@bowarts.com if you would like to organise a group visit.

www.bowarts.org/learning



Start & End of the day arrangements Spring 2022

Gates open for soft start from 8.55 - 9.10am

Children will be greeted at their gates and hand sanitizer used before entering.

Nursery	Nursery gate, open at 8:45am
Reception	Peace garden gate
Y1 & Y2	Main gate
Y3 & Y4	MUGA/climbing frame gate
Y5 & Y6	Office gate

Parents to all come through main gate to collect, one way route out.

Nursery	Nursery gate - 3.30pm
Reception, Y1 & Y2	Classroom doors - 3.15pm
Y3, Y4 & Y5	Playground - 3.30pm
Y6	Office gate - 3:30pm

Key dates for the Autumn 2021 & Spring 2022 terms

School open: Mon 1 Nov – Fri 17 Dec 2021

Christmas Holiday: Mon 20 Dec – Mon 3 Jan 2022

INSET (school closed): Tue 4 Jan 2022

School open: Wed 5 Jan – Fri 11 Feb 2022

Half term: Mon 14 Feb – Fri 18 Feb 2022

INSET (school closed): Mon 21 Feb 2022

School open: Tue 22 Feb – Fri 1 Apr 2022

Spring Holiday: Mon 4 Apr – Mon 18 Apr 2022

School open: Tue 19 Apr – Fri 27 May 2022



15 hours of free nursery places for 2 year olds

We are delighted to have the opportunity to expand our excellent early years provision to include free places for 2 year olds for qualifying families.

Some children may be entitled to 15 hours of free childcare from the term after their second birthday. Early learning for two-year-olds is only open to children that meet certain criteria such as coming from a low-income family, requiring additional needs or if they are currently looked after by the council.

If you have an older child who is currently at school and getting free school meals, younger children may be eligible for a free two-year-old place as well.

To register your interest in a place for your child at Stebon, please visit: https://forms.towerhamlets.gov.uk/service/Early_learning_for_two_year_olds_application

You can check if you are eligible for the funding by completing the online application form, or get more information by calling the Tower Hamlets EL2 dedicated phone line 020 7364 1553. If your child is eligible, they can be added to our waiting list.

Please note that places are limited and subject to availability.

15 hours free early learning ready to play and learn at two

Development for children

- Learn through play
- Make new friends
- Build confidence

Opportunities for parents

- Gain free time
- Get into education or training
- Go back to work

To find out more call 020 7364 6495 or contact your nearest Children's Centre.
To apply visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/earlylearning

How to apply

- 1 Check eligibility**
Visit your local children centre or contact the family information service on 020 7364 6495 to find out if you qualify.
- 2 Choose provider**
Contact the Family Information Service on 020 7364 6495 to find out about your local early education provider or you can speak to your local early education provider yourself.
- 3 Complete application form**
Pick up an application form from your local early education provider or children's centre and email the completed copy to early.learning@towerhamlets.gov.uk
- 4 Arrange start date**
Your early education provider will contact you to agree a start date for your child.

Your child can take up their free place from the term after they turn two

Turns two between 1 April – 31 August
Start from September (autumn term)

Turns two between 1 September – 31 December
Start from January (spring term)

Turns two between 1 January – 31 March
Start from April (summer term)

Eligibility
You can usually qualify if:

- you are in receipt of Universal Credit.
- your child is under the care of the council.
- your child is in receipt of DLA.

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Super Saturday School

What a fantastic first term we have had at Saturday School- we've baked cookies and cupcakes, cooked lunch, played LOADS of Paralympic sports, painted, made magnets, sung songs, played instruments, done drama and danced! Oh and we had a Pizza Party in Greenwich! Phew- we're all exhausted and need a break!



It's our final Saturday on 4th Dec but we are back on Saturday 15th January

SUPER

We will have spaces available for new starters in January, so please do come along on **15th January at 10am at the office gate**. Registration forms will be available at the start of January for KS2 pupils who want to try us out- it's going to be an awesome Spring Term!

