

School Newsletter

8th May 2026



Key Upcoming Dates

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May:
Year 6 SATs week

Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st May: Individual and class photos

Friday 26th June: INSET Day (school closed)

Tuesday 30th June: Whole school photo

Friday 3rd July: Fun Day

Friday 17th July: End of term (school finishes at 1:45pm)

Message from Andrew

The term dates for the next academic year are on page 4 of this newsletter, including the dates of our five INSET days. All children return to school (including Reception) on Thursday 3rd September.

It is the season for even more trips than normal! Thank you so much to our team of parent helpers who are supporting us with these. We would not be able to go on as many trips as we do without you. Just this week alone, classes have been to the National Gallery, a Hindu temple, and the Unicorn Theatre. If anyone else is interested in being a parent helper, please see the message on the next page with further details.

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. They have been working incredibly hard and we know they are all going to do really well and give it their best. All Year 6s can come in for a free breakfast next week and they do not need to book for this.

A few photos above of how the Inclusion Base is looking.



Walnut Tree Walk Primary School
Supporting and challenging us to be the best we can be

Messages

Parent helpers for trips

If any parents are interested in being a helper for school trips, please contact Susan sharrington@wtwschool.co.uk

Parent helpers would accompany the school staff and children, and would need to be able to commit and agree to the following:

- Completing a DBS check (the school would organise and pay for this)
- Attending a one-off safeguarding and information session
- Parents/Carers would not go on trips with classes that their children are in; instead they would volunteer to go with other classes. This is so that the children can enjoy the full experience that a school trip offers.
- Have some availability throughout the year, eg be not working, or part-time workers with availability on certain days. Please note that there would never be an obligation to help on a certain day for a certain trip, and we would send out a request to the parent volunteers in advance to see who was available. However, only volunteer if you are able to commit to approximately one or more per half-term.
- Be prepared to be on your feet all day and walk at speed!

PTFA Messages

If any parents are able to source raffle prizes for our Fun Day this year, please contact a member of the PTFA or speak to Sharon in the office.

We would be very grateful if you can help source prizes – things for children and adults to enjoy.

We are looking forward to the whole school coming together on Friday 3rd July for this Fun Day.

This week's attendance

98.1%

(up from 97.4% last month)

Help us to keep the school secure and the children safe

A gentle reminder that if you need to come into school outside of the normal start and end of school day times, please use the buzzer on the intercom on Fitzalan Street and wait for a member of office staff to buzz you in. Please do not follow other people in through the gate or let others follow behind you. When you leave, please make sure that the gate has closed properly behind you.

A reminder that only Nursery parents should be coming in past the gates in the morning; all other children should come through the gates on their own and then line up with their classes.

The Walnut Tree Walk gate is for Reception children. **No parents can come through the Walnut Tree Walk gate in morning.**

Breakfast and After School Club

The booking for next half-term (June and July) will go live at 10am on Tuesday 19th May at 10am. Please make sure you log on to Scopay at that time in order to get all the dates that you need. A reminder that there are no activity clubs for the last two weeks of term in July so please book After School Club accordingly.

Day of club	Date of last session
Monday	29 th June
Tuesday	30 th June
Wednesday	1 st July
Thursday	2 nd July
Friday	19 th June

Dates for the Diary

<p>May</p>	<p>Mon 11th – Thurs 14th: Year 6 SATs Week</p> <p>Tues 12th: Y5 (Joanne) to National Gallery</p> <p>Fri 15th: Y2 (Ana) Class Assembly</p> <p>Tues 19th: Y5 to Horniman Museum</p> <p>Wed 20th and Thurs 21st: Class and individual photos</p> <p>Fri 22nd: Y2 (Simon) Class Assembly</p> <p>Fri 22nd: Last day of half-term. School finishes at normal time.</p>
<p>June</p>	<p>Mon 1st: Y2 to Garden Museum (Simon’s class)</p> <p>Thurs 4th: Y2 to Garden Museum (Ana’s class)</p> <p>Thurs 4th: Y3 (Shuhana) to Horniman Museum</p> <p>Fri 5th: Y3 (Luke) to Horniman Museum</p> <p>Fri 5th: Reception (Chris) Class Assembly</p> <p>Sun 7th – Wed 10th : Year 6 PGL residential</p> <p>Mon 8th: Y1 Phonics Check all this week</p> <p>Fri 12th: Reception (Sharon) Class Assembly</p> <p>Mon 15th: Y6 to Buddhist Centre</p> <p>Wed 17th: Y6 to National Theatre to see War Horse</p> <p>Fri 19th: Nursery Class Assembly</p> <p>Mon 22nd: Reception Sports Day at 9:30am</p> <p>Wed 24th: KS2 Sports Day at 10am</p> <p>Tues 23rd: Y1 to Broadstairs beach</p> <p>Fri 26th: INSET Day (school closed)</p> <p>Tues 30th: Whole school photo</p>
<p>July</p>	<p>Mon 1st: KS1 Sports Day at 10am</p> <p>Fri 3rd: Fun Day</p> <p>Mon 6th: Meet the Teacher morning. Children will get to meet their teacher for next year</p> <p>Fri 10th: Reception to Roots and Shoots</p> <p>Tues 14th: Year 6 show</p> <p>Fri 17th: End of term. School finishes at 1:45pm</p>

2026-27 Term Dates

School term dates 2026 to 2027

These are the 2026 to 2027 school term and holiday dates for schools in Lambeth with our 5 INSET Days included

Term one: Autumn 1st half

Start date: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Finish date: Wednesday 21st October 2026

Holiday: Thursday 22nd October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026

Total number of school days for the term = 35

INSET Days: Wednesday 2nd September 2026, Thursday 22nd October 2026 and Friday 23rd October 2026

Term two: Autumn 2nd half

Start date: Monday 2nd November 2026

Finish date: Friday 18th December 2026

Christmas holiday: Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027

Total number of school days for the term = 35

(School will close at 1:45pm on Friday 18th December)

Term three: Spring 1st half

Start date: Monday 4th January 2027

Finish date: Friday 12th February 2027

Holiday: Monday 15th February 2027 to Monday 22nd February 2027

Total number of school days for the term = 30

Term four: Spring 2nd half

Start date: Tuesday 23rd February 2027

Finish date: Thursday 25th March 2027

Easter holiday: Friday 26th March 2027 to Friday 9th April 2027

Total number of school days for the term = 23

INSET Day: Monday 22nd February 2027

(School will close at 1:45pm on Thursday 25th March)

Term five: Summer 1st half

Start date: Monday 12th April 2027

Finish date: Friday 28th May 2027

Holiday: Monday 31st May 2027 to Friday 4th June 2027

Total number of school days for the term = 33

Term six: Summer 2nd half

Start date: Monday 7th June 2027

Finish date: Thursday 22nd July 2027

Total number of school days for the term = 34

INSET Day: Friday 25th June 2027

(School will close at 1:45pm on Thursday 22nd July)

Total number of school days for the year = 190 plus 5 INSET days

Roots and Shoots

Flower Fests

2026

Sunday 17th May 11am - 4pm

Join us for a flower-filled fun spring day out, explore our UNESCO award-winning gardens and celebrate connecting to nature at Roots and Shoots, an oasis in the heart of London.

£3 Adults, £1 Children
Roots and Shoots,
Walnut Tree Walk,
London, SE11 6DN

Activities for all ages, all day!

- **May Pole Dancing** • **Flower Crown Making** • **Wildlife Talks** •
 - **Nature activities in our Wild Garden** • **Creative workshops** •
 - **Live music** • **Storytelling** •
 - **Green-themed stalls** •
 - Delicious food** • **Garden Tour** •
 - **SEND Courses Information** •
- ...and much more!

www.rootsandshoots.org.uk

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