



St John's Newsletter

Friday 21st October 2022

An update from Mr. Rubin...

This week we took one of the largest squads to the borough cross-country tournament including some children from Year One! Thank you to Mr. Malcolm and Ms Pink for organising this and inspiring our children to compete.

Our Year 6 class have been working on their cycle safety training and many of our children have been out and about on trips in the local community. Today is Cultural Day – an opportunity for children to share their heritage. Thank you for your efforts supporting your children with this and to Mrs Jheeta for organising.

I also wanted to say thank you to our incredible staff team. They work so hard and help our children excel.

Have a lovely half term and be kind to one another.



School Council Update

Our new School Council board is full with our brand new School Councillors and their pledges to work to make the school an even better place than it is now!

Political life can be quite turbulent so I am glad that we have our children to suggest and debate ideas in a sensible way.

Bikeability Cycle Training

Well done to our students in Year 6 who have been working with our friends at Bikeability. Children have been learning how to cycle safely on the road promoting fitness and teaching children about sustainable ways to travel. Despite the inclement weather, children have done really well and will be receiving a certificate. Thank you to staff for getting on their bikes too!



Year 1 Update – Ms Pink

Year 1 children have been learning about adjectives. We've enjoyed playing 'the hat game': describe a character to your partner WITHOUT using their name or the film they're from. We did a great job!



Year 5 - Visit The Science Museum

Year 5 have been extremely busy this half term. A couple of weeks ago they visited the Science Museum to learn more about the planets in our Solar System.



Cross Country Update

I am not sure that this picture does justice to the size of the team that we took to Victoria Park.

Well done Josh and Bellisima who finished second in their events. Congratulations to our Year 1 squad who were the youngest competitors in the park and as ever, thanks to our staff and volunteers.



Improving lives
and reducing
waste in
Tower Hamlets



The Food Store is a place you can go every week to pick up large quantities of food for a small amount of money, all while being helped to access support for your finances and wellbeing.



MAYOR OF
TOWER HAMLETS

'All of Tower Hamlets' residents deserve healthy, affordable food. Food Stores showcase all that is best about our Borough - communities coming together to ensure that everyone is fed, regardless of their background. I am proud to oversee the opening of these stores, and look forward to working more closely with and supporting them moving forward'.

Lutfur Rahman, Mayor of Tower Hamlets

How does it work?

In return for a weekly membership fee of £3.50 you will be able to pick up £20 to £30 worth of groceries and household items. While you are a member we will also set you up with access to advice services for help with debt, benefits access, housing issues and other areas you might find useful.

What kind of food will I get?

We stock quality redistributed food that can help to top up your weekly shop with nutritious essentials. Your weekly groceries will include fresh fruit and vegetables, chilled and frozen foods, and store cupboard staples. We also offer household items, like toiletries and cleaning products, when we have them.

Where is The Food Store?

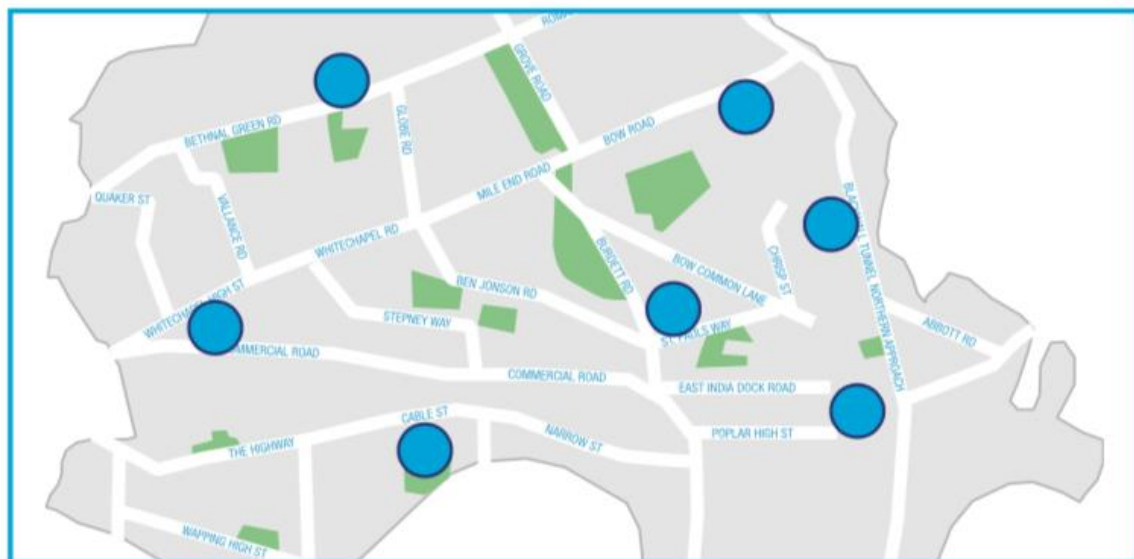
The Food Store is running in sites across Tower Hamlets.

How long can I be a member?

Every three months we will check in to see how you are doing and if you are getting the right support. If things have improved and you no longer need our help, the membership will end – if not it will carry on. Memberships normally last for six months.

How do I sign up?

To sign up, or for more information, please email **TheFoodStore@towerhamlets.gov.uk** with your name, address, postcode and contact details.





Are you concerned about a child or a family?

Make a factual record of your concern.

(Include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature)

You must share your concerns without delay.

The Designated Members of Staff Responsible for Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Johns are:



Terry Bennett –Executive Headteacher



Darren Rubin –Executive Head of School



Bal Jheeta – Deputy Headteacher



Lisa Lee – Business Manager



Marie Dixon- SENCO

St John's & Paul's Whitechapel CE Primary Schools
Term Dates and Holidays - 2022/ 2023

Autumn Term 2022 (70 days)

Staff Training	Thu 1st & Friday 2nd September
First Day of Term	Monday 5 th September
Half Term	Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October
Second half of term	Monday 31 st October
Last Day of Term	Friday 16 th December

<i>Christmas Day</i>	<i>Sunday 25th December</i>
<i>Boxing Day</i>	<i>Monday 26th December</i>

Spring Term 2023 (58 days)

<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Sunday 1st January</i>
Bank Holiday	Monday 2 nd January
Staff Training	Tuesday 3rd January
First Day of Term	Wednesday 4 th January
Half Term	Mon. 13 th to Fri. 17 th February
Second half of term	Monday 20 th February
Last Day of Term	Friday 31 st March

<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Friday 7th April</i>
<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Monday 10th April</i>

Summer Term 2023 (64 days)

First Day of Term	Monday 17 th April
Staff Training	Friday 28 th April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May
Half Term	Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June
Second half of term	Monday 5 th June
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 st July

<i>Ramadan begins</i>	<i>Wednesday 22nd March* 2023</i>
<i>Eid Al-Fitr</i>	<i>Saturday 22nd April* 2023</i>
<i>Eid Al-Adha</i>	<i>Thursday 29th June* 2023</i>

190 School Days, **5 Staff Training Days** (2 to be arranged)

* to be confirmed