



Garfield Primary  
Today's children, tomorrow's future.

## FRIDAY FLYER

8th September 2023

Please remember to share this news with your children.



School website:  
[www.garfield.enfield.sch.uk](http://www.garfield.enfield.sch.uk)

### Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

My first week as the new Headteacher of Garfield is over already. It has been fantastic getting to know the children and saying hello to as many parents as possible each morning and afternoon. I will continue to be out and about so come and say hello please.

Our whole school priority for this year is to get the children to speak in full sentences; hopefully they will have told you about this already. Our aim is to have all our children become confident speakers, using powerful academic vocabulary so that they continue to learn and make progress every week at Garfield.

Wishing you all a great weekend.

David Joyce  
Headteacher



### Welcome to new staff members

We are delighted to welcome new members of staff who joined us and know they are going to make great assets to the Garfield team.

Mr Joyce - Headteacher  
Ms Bicar - Class Teacher  
Mr McCowen - Class Teacher  
Ms Campbell - Class Teacher  
Ms Choudhury - Class Teacher  
Ms Pavlou - Teaching Assistant  
Ms Bentouati - Teaching Assistant



### Breakfast and After School Clubs

The school runs a Breakfast Club from 7.50am (£3.50 per day) and an After School Club till 5.30pm (£9 per day). Please speak to the school office if you require a place for your child.

### After School Activity Clubs

We are aiming to start the clubs later this term. More information to follow soon.



### Vision and Value of the Month

Grow



We will grow and develop together  
in a safe, happy, harmonious school  
environment.

### DIARY DATES

#### **Tuesday 12th September**

- ♦ Songsack Project - Year 1 (am)

#### **Monday 18th September**

- ♦ Swimming - Lavender Class (am)

#### **Tuesday 19th September:**

- ♦ Meet the Teacher Event for Years 5 and 6 (3:30pm)

#### **Wednesday 20th September:**

- ♦ Meet the Teacher Event for Years 3 and 4 (3:30pm)

#### **Thursday 21st September:**

- ♦ Meet the Teacher Event for Years 1 and 2 (3:30pm)

#### **Friday 22nd September:**

- ♦ Swimming - Hummingbird Class (pm)

## ATTENDANCE

Welcome back to a new school year. It was so lovely to see all of you on the first day happy and ready for a year of fun learning. I am excited and hopeful that our attendance this year will be our best yet if we all support each other.

This year, each pupil's attendance will be monitored very closely by myself and the Local Authority's Education Welfare Officer. Your child's absence must be reported in the morning before the start of school. If your child is unwell for more than 3 days, medical evidence must be provided. If there are any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please contact me at the school office to discuss and work together to resolve. For each week, any classes who achieve 100% will receive 10 team points each. There will also be a fun attendance celebration at the end of term for those who achieve 96% and above, so keep up the good work and attend school every day and on time as punctuality is equally important and late comers will also be recorded.

Thank you for your continued support.

Attendance	Days Absent	Weeks Absent	Lessons Missed
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

Martha Matas

## P.E LESSONS

Please make sure your child is **wearing** their P.E kit on the day of their P.E lesson.

**School's P.E kit:** navy T-shirt with Garfield logo or plain navy T-shirt, navy sweatshirt with Garfield logo or plain navy sweatshirt, plain black or navy jogging bottoms or shorts, trainers



P.E schedule:

<b>Year 1 Rose (Ms Siddique)</b>	<b>Monday &amp; Tuesday</b>
<b>Year 1 Ruby (Ms Bicar)</b>	<b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</b>
<b>Year 2 Bluebell (Ms Selvi)</b>	<b>Monday &amp; Friday</b>
<b>Year 2 Sapphire (Ms Hinks)</b>	<b>Monday &amp; Friday</b>
<b>Year 3 Marigold (Ms Joyram)</b>	<b>Thursday &amp; Friday</b>
<b>Year 3 Tiger (Mr McCowen)</b>	<b>Thursday &amp; Friday</b>
<b>Year 4 Flamingo (Ms Campbell)</b>	<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>
<b>Year 5 Hummingbird (Ms Green)</b>	<b>Wednesday &amp; Swimming on Fridays (from 22/9/23)</b>
<b>Year 5 Lavender (Ms Choudhury)</b>	<b>Wednesday &amp; Swimming on Mondays (from 18/9/23)</b>
<b>Year 6 Grasshopper (Ms Warre)</b>	<b>Tuesdays &amp; Thursdays</b>

## SWIMMING FOR YEAR 5

Year 5 will have their swimming lessons this term.

Lavender class: every Monday starting on 18th September from 11.00 till 11.45am.

Hummingbird class: every Friday starting on 22nd September from 2.15 till 3.00pm.

The lessons will last for 10 weeks. The letter with more information went out today.



## NEW START AND FINISH TIMES

A reminder that the school day has a slightly earlier start with gates opening at 8.40am where pupils can start coming into school and into their classroom. They will be expected to be in school by 8.50am when the register will be called. We will be closing the gates promptly at 8.50am. Punctuality is very important at Garfield. All late children have to be signed in our late book by their parent/carer and they will be marked as late on the school attendance register. The school day ends at 3.20pm.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year Group	Morning gate opening times	Registration time	Afternoon gate opening times	Location
Nursery	8:40am	8.45am	11:45am	Springfield Road
Reception	8:40am	8.50am	3:20pm	Springfield Road
Year 1-6	8:40am	8.50am	3:20pm	Springfield Road and Upper Park Road

## SCHOOL DINNERS

This academic year, the school dinners will be FREE to all primary school children who attend state schools in London. This includes Garfield Primary. It means that all children from reception to Year 6 will have their school dinners for free this year only.

If your child wishes to swap from packed lunches to school dinners or vice versa, please inform the school office.

Please make sure that the old debts for school dinners on ParentPay are cleared by the end of next week.



Reception children enjoying their first school dinner

## ROSE CLASS ON A MINIBEAST HUNT

Rose Class took advantage of this lovely weather to take part in some outdoor learning. We went on a hunt for minibeasts. It was lovely getting to know all the children.

*Ms Siddique - Rose Class Teacher*



## RE Corner

Welcome, everyone, to the start of another exciting academic year here at Garfield Primary School! I'm thrilled to introduce myself as the RE leader and extend a warm welcome to the RE corner. At Garfield, we firmly believe that education is about more than just academic achievements. It's about creating an environment where our children not only excel in their studies but also gain a profound understanding and appreciation of the diverse world we live in - one that's woven with a rich tapestry of beliefs, cultures, and traditions.

Our RE lessons play a vital role in this pursuit. We're committed to nurturing religious literacy, tolerance, and respectful dialogue. In today's interconnected world, it's increasingly crucial for our children to understand the diverse religious and philosophical perspectives that shape our global society.

We invite you to dive into the world of RE at Garfield, where your child will not only acquire knowledge but also develop essential life skills like empathy, critical thinking, and intercultural understanding.

Furthermore, our extracurricular activities and events will enrich your child's learning experiences and add an extra layer of excitement to their educational journey.

Together, we can make this academic year a truly transformative and enlightening experience for your child. We look forward to partnering with you to help them grow, learn, and thrive.

Warm regards,

*Ms Siddique - RE Leader*