



Wednesday 21st September 2026

Dear Families,

Promoting attendance at Singlegate Primary School

Class	Percentage %
Paddington PM	92%
Paddington AM	87%
Paddington FT	90%
Archway	96%
Bank	97%
Angel	96%
Knightsbridge	95%
Oval	93%
Borough	97%
Monument	90%
Victoria	96%
Pimlico	96%
Wimbledon	96%
Southwark	96%
Balham	98%
Piccadilly	92%
Euston	98%
Kennington	97%
Barbican	97%
Temple	93%
Edgware	93%
Westminster	92%
Embankment	95%
Colliers Wood	97%

Attending school every day is essential. Any absence is a missed opportunity for learning. Our attendance target this year is **96%**

We have a number of initiatives in school to continue to motivate and support children's success in coming into school every day.

Classes with 100% in a week will enjoy a very special Pizza Party coupled with personalised stickers and a celebratory Cadburys chocolate bar to take home. Children with 100% attendance for the school year will be awarded with their very-own attendance hoodie, which can be worn with pride in school. Our Nursery children this year are very much enjoying selecting prizes from the class attendance treasure chest!

Year Four residential – FUN at Cuffley's Activity Centre



A huge THANK YOU to all the staff and children who attended the Year Four residential, this year. From den building, rock climbing, camp fires and sleeping outside in wooden pods, the children had an absolutely incredible time together. The children greatly benefited from the opportunity of the time spent together at the very start of term to strengthen and develop relationships with one another.

FoSS second-hand uniform sales



Thank you to our dedicated FoSS team, who spent Friday morning readying second-hand uniform for families to purchase. It was good to see so many of you.

FoSS events this term

AGM meeting on 8th October 2026 at 7.00 pm in the main hall, Hyde Park Corner.

Year group DISCO time! Save the date

★ **Year 6:** Friday 2nd October

★ **Years 4 & 5:** Friday 9th October

★ **Years 2 & 3:** Friday 13th November

★ **Reception & Year 1:** Friday 20th November

Ticket Information

Price: £7.50 per child (*includes a drink, snack, and glowstick!*)

Entertainment: Live music by **DJ JAME** 🎧🎵

Booking: Purchase directly via the links above or on the PTA Events portal ("What's On" section).

Volunteers Needed! 🙋📱 We rely on volunteers to make these events happen! You can sign up to help when purchasing your tickets.

Platinum Sports Mark

Singlegate Primary School has earned an exceptional sporting profile by securing both the Gold School Sports Games Award and the prestigious Platinum School Sports Mark Award. The Platinum status is the highest accolade a school can achieve within the 'Your School Games' framework. It is exclusive to schools that have consistently maintained a Gold standard over multiple consecutive years. THANK YOU to Miss Hansen for her hard work in collating all of the sporting achievements for this year.



BeDifferent
Federation



Merton's Sports Partnership – Hockey training in Year Four



Each term, we welcome external providers from within Merton to lead weekly coaching sessions for our children. Children in Year Four benefit from expertise and advice from trainers in developing their hockey skills.

Watch this space for more information of the cricket and tag rugby events planned for later this term.

Bedtime Reading Challenge in Early Years and Year One



Reading with your child at bedtime is one of the most pleasurable activities that you do with your child - there's physical closeness and it is probably the most unhurried time that any child can have with their parent and it is focused on them.

Other benefits include:

- Reading books to a child, beginning in early infancy, can boost vocabulary and reading skills for as long as four years later.
- Reading aloud to your child has a sustained impact on a child's aggression and hyperactivity. Reading just before bedtime will help your child prepare to sleep.

As part of our ongoing focus on developing every child's love of reading, we again launched our Bedtime Reading Challenge for Reception and Year 1 children. Families were invited into school to launch this challenge and enjoyed sharing a special book with their child and their classteacher. Our challenge now to every family is to share a bedtime story together each night and record this on their very own Bedtime Reading Tracker. All children who complete the 19-day challenge will

receive a very special certificate and their own bedtime book to enjoy at home. Good luck!

Eco Warriors Meet the SuDS Planters!

Our Eco Warriors had a fantastic opportunity to meet Roxanna and Lorena from the SuDS Planters project and learn more about the wonderful planters installed at our school. The children explored how the planters work, looked closely at what is already growing and discovered how they can help to care for them throughout the year.



The planters are more than somewhere to grow beautiful plants. They are part of a sustainable drainage system, designed to help manage rainwater while also bringing more greenery and biodiversity into school grounds. Merton Council has supported the installation of sustainable planters in schools across the borough as part of its work towards a more sustainable future.



Our children particularly enjoyed getting outside, examining the different plants and asking Wendy questions about what we could grow next. They were excited to discover that they will have an important role in looking after the planters and making sure they continue to thrive.

A huge thank you to the team at SuDS Planters for giving our Eco children such an engaging, hands-on experience, as well as the dedicated commitment from Mrs Jenkins and Mrs

Ambrazevice. We can't wait to put our new knowledge into action and continue to Dig It Differently!

Communication with staff

Recently, there have been occasions when members of staff have been spoken to in a raised or angry voice when a parent or carer has been unhappy about something. We completely understand that frustrations can arise but shouting at a member of staff is not an appropriate or an acceptable way to communicate a concern.

Our staff work incredibly hard for our children and deserve to be spoken to with the same kindness and respect that we expect them to show to our families and children.

If you disagree with a decision, please ask us about it. If something has happened that has upset you, please tell us. If a jumper has disappeared for what feels like the hundredth time, please ask us to help. You absolutely have the right to

question, challenge and seek clarification – it is how we communicate with one another while doing so that matters.

We want our school to be a place where children see adults modelling how to disagree, ask questions and resolve problems calmly, respectfully and constructively.

Thank you, as always, for working in partnership with us and for helping us to maintain a school community in which everyone is treated with kindness, dignity and respect.

Points of contact and how to best communicate with us

If you have any concerns about your child's welfare or ability to learn successfully, please do make an appointment with your child's classteacher. If you feel that after this initial contact that you would like a leader to be involved in a meeting about your child, then the leader to make contact with, based on their phase responsibility will be:

Year group	Phase leader
Early Years	Mrs Falcica
Year Two and Four	Mrs Hart
Year Three	Miss Rasheva
Years One and Five	Miss Masters
Year Six	Mrs Jenkins

If you would like to discuss concerns that may link to a specific learning/emotional need then please make contact with Ms Wilson or Mrs Lawler.

Our two Deputy Headteachers, Miss Masters and Mrs Jenkins are also available across the course of the week should you have a more serious concern that may need investigating. Our Head of School, Mrs Hart, will be available to discuss any further concerns relating to your child's education or any concerns that you may have about your child's behaviour and please do contact myself, if you have any further concerns related to school matters.

May we remind you all that all staff welcome respectful engagement so that any discussion about your child or school matter is solution focussed and professional.

Mrs Bull and Mrs Hart

