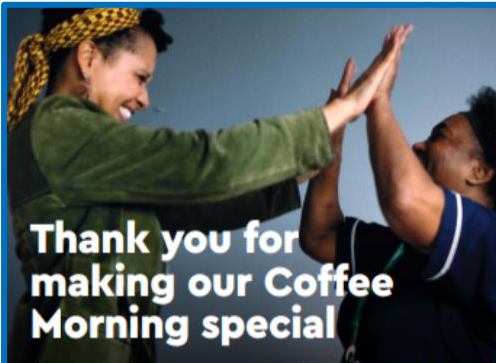


Monday 10th October 2022



Thank you for making our Coffee Morning special

Whether you joined us for the cause, the chatter or the tasty treats, your generosity helped raise a fabulous

£ 53.57

to help support people living with cancer.



Simply scan this QR code with your phone to donate to your host's Coffee Morning. It's easy, quick and secure. Thank you.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT



National
POETRY
Day 7 October
2021

Last Thursday was National Poetry Day and Downsell used this as an opportunity to promote saving the environment by allowing the school's Eco Warriors to share environment focussed poems in classes across the school.

There was also a launch for a school poetry competition and we can't wait to hear back from the children and read some of their entries. Good luck to all!



The pupils celebrated Downsell's Reading Dress-Up day by creating story books and wearing costumes of some of their favourite book characters. It was brilliant to see so many of the children dressed in colourful outfits and showing enthusiasm for engaging with stories.

Well done everyone!

Come and read with us!

Reading at Downsell

Reading is at the heart of everything we do at Downsell. We recognise that without the key skill of being able to read, things in life become that much more difficult.

Being able to read and promoting a love of reading is a priority for us. Following on from last Friday's reading dress up day, we are focussing on reading this week and we would like you, our parents and carers to get involved!



Reading Breakfast

Join us in class to read with your child!

Thursday 13th October: 9 – 9.15am followed by a parent workshop

- ❖ EYFS (Nursery and Reception)
- ❖ Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)

Friday 14th October: 9 – 9.15am followed by a parent workshop

- ❖ Key Stage 2 (Years 4 – 6)

Phonics Parent Workshop

Wednesday 12th October:

9.00 – 9.30am and 3.00 – 3.30pm

Reminders

Events coming up

Wednesday 12th October:
Parents phonics workshop
(Reception and Year 1
parents) – 9am and 3pm

Thursday 13th October:
Reading breakfast – Early
Years and Year 1 (9am)

Friday 14th October: Reading
breakfast (Years 3 -6) 9am

Friday 14th October: Movie
Night

Saturday 15th October: New
Reception parents open day
(2023-2024 intake) – 10am



PHOTOGRAPHER



The school photographer will be coming into school on **Tuesday 18th October** to take the children's individual photographs. Please ensure that your son/daughter comes to school in their school uniform.

The photographers will be in from 8-15 am to take photographs of siblings within the school; unfortunately we are unable to accommodate siblings that do not attend Downsell Primary.

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Harvest Festival

Harvest Mains

Cottage Pie

Vegetable Tomato Pasta (ve)

Jacket Potato with selection of Fillings (v)

Fall Vegetables

Green Cabbage

Sliced Carrots

Roasted Parsnips

Selection of Home-Made Bread

Autumn Dessert

Apple Pie With Custard

Seasonal Fruit

Yogurt



Protect your child
from polio.

Children aged 1 to 9
years old in London are
being offered a dose of
polio vaccine.

NHS

All children aged 1 to 9 years in Waltham Forest are being offered a polio vaccination. This is in response to polio being detected in local sewage. Polio is a serious disease which can be fatal. You can learn more about polio on the [NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk).

For some children, this vaccination will be an extra dose of polio vaccine, on top of their routine vaccinations. In other children, it may just bring them up to date.

You can check the school dinner allergen information on Waltham Forest's Catering web page:

<https://walthamforestcatering.co.uk/menu-allergen-information>



Year Group News

Each week we will be celebrating the learning taking place in different year groups.

This week we are celebrating the learning that took place Year 3 and 4!

Year 3

Learning all about skeletons in Science!



... and using laptops to animate sprites as part of National Coding Week!



Year 4 had a wonderful first session of African drumming and dance this week. It was a great way to start off our Black History Celebrations and we can't wait for next week!



Attendance Celebration

Our school target for all of our pupils is 96%.

Our attendance overall for last week (03.10.22 – 07.10.22) was 97% (Year 1 to Year 6)

Well done to the following classes who have achieved the school target last week!

Class	Attendance
Y1 Hamilton	98.2%
Y2 Zidane	97.5%
Y3 Ali	98.5%
Y3 Charlton	99.3%

Class	Attendance
Y4 Johnson-Thompson	98.2%
Y4 Messi	99.3%
Y6 Bolt	97.7%

Well done to [Year 5 Michael Jordan](#) who achieved 100% for last week!



Competition time!

Two great competitions for you to enter! If you need any advice about entering, please speak to your class teacher.

Find Your Balance

Art + written word competition



Your child could win a family trip to Westminster in the Find Your Balance art + written word competition!

Parent Zone and Google are looking for all young creatives to answer this question:

What would you like the internet of the future to be like?

It could be about protecting the environment, new ways to learn about other cultures, how we meet with family, or something else.

Entries can be a story, picture, poem, cartoon, lyrics, word cloud, whatever you like. It just needs to fit onto a page of A4.

Find out more

parentzone.org.uk/findyourbalance

Closing date: Wednesday 19 October 2022

Google parentzone

The London Children's Flower Society would like you to design a Christmas Card!

Designs should be A5 sized and any medium can be used such as paint, pencils & crayons.

They are looking for a colourful, bright design with a **Christmas theme** and represents the **joy of gardening**.

Everyone from Nursery to Year 6 can get involved.

Hand your cards to your class teacher by Tuesday the 18th October! The society will pick the winners and the top three entries will receive a prize! Good Luck!

