

SHACKLEWELL NEWSLETTER



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Friday 18th September 2026

Dear Families,

As we start the new academic year I want to share my gratitude for the warm welcome I've received across the community. Stepping into this role has been such a privilege, and it's been wonderful to get to know the children and families and see such a positive start to the term. Thank you for all your efforts to ensure children arrive on time and ready to learn every day.

It was so positive to see such great attendance from parents at our recent Meet the Teacher events. I hope you found these sessions helpful and informative. The slides will be shared with families so do check these and let us know if you have any questions about our provision. Please also check our school website for important information and resources.

On a sadder note, today is Tanika's last day with us after working on reception at Shacklewell for two years. We are so grateful for everything she has done for our school, and we wish Tanika the absolute best of luck in her new role! At the same time, we are excited to welcome Tonye Kwomo to the office team. Tonye started with us recently and we very much look forward to working with her in this new role.

-Mr Matt Trahair



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 22nd September - 5S Come Dine with Me, 12.45pm, Nursery Meet the Teacher, 3.00pm - 3.30pm

Wednesday 23rd September - Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations for consented children, 9.00am - 12.00pm

Thursday 24th September - 5W Come Dine With Me, 12.45pm, 1S Geography Field Trip to Hackney Downs, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Friday 25th September - 1S Geography Field Trip to Hackney Downs, 1.30pm - 3.30pm; Reception Family Friday, 3.00pm - 3.30pm; Back to School Bakesale at 3.30pm.

Monday 28th September - 4S Geography Field Trip to Hackney Downs, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Tuesday 29th September - 4S Come Dine With Me 12.40pm, 4W Geography Field Trip to Hackney Downs, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Wednesday 30th September - Reception Read Write Inc (RWI) Parent Workshop

Thursday 1st October - 4W Come Dine With Me, 12.40pm, Year 6 PGL Residential Parent Session, 3.45pm - 4.15pm

Friday 2nd October - Year 2 conducting local traffic survey

Monday 5th October - 4S Geography Field Trip to Hackney Downs, 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Friday 15th October - Fright Night after school event

HACKNEY FOODBANK OPEN DAY

Hackney Foodbank is opening its Homerton HQ for the first time, with warehouse tours, games, crafts, a bouncy castle, cake sale and a chance to meet the team. The free Open Day is **Saturday 26 September, 10am-3pm.** Long-life food donations are welcome. Guests can also book the legendary Supermarket Sweep Challenge, starting at 10am.



ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Our aim for each class is at least 96% attendance. Our attendance figures for the last two weeks are:

Nursery AM	95%
Nursery PM	85%
Nursery full time	96%
Reception	97%
Year 1	93%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	97%

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

-Ms. Hannah Mahony

SHACKLEWELL FAMILIES NEEDS YOU



We Need You! Shacklewell Families is run entirely by parent volunteers, and we really need more parents & carers to join the team on an ongoing basis so we can continue putting on much-loved events like Fright Night, the Christmas Fair and Summer Fair. You don't need any previous experience - just some time, ideas and enthusiasm to contribute throughout the year; please speak to Talipha or Leanne (Year 5 parents) or email Shacklefamilies@gmail.com if you'd like to get involved.



SWIFT STARTS

We have been so pleased with the way in which the children have settled into the new academic year. One of our main focus areas has been to make sure that we have swift starts at the start of the day, after break and after lunch. These swift starts have been hugely successful and have maximised the learning taking place in the classroom so that no learning time is lost. Have a look at our children's great routines below.

