

BANGABANDHU WEEKLY

Everyone Belongs • Everyone Achieves • Everyone Thrives

WEEK ENDING 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026



A message from Carly

It has been wonderful to see so many families attending our Class Welcome Meetings this week. Please continue to join us for workshops and events throughout the year – we love having you in school, your children love seeing you here, and it is a great way to learn more about their education and how you can support learning at home. Next week, I will let you know about some more workshops we will be hosting throughout the term.

Well done to Jen and Arayni Class for working so hard during their Bikeability lessons this week!

We are also delighted to have an impressive **10 enrichment clubs** on offer this term, covering academics, hobbies and special interests, sports and wellbeing, with opportunities across all phases and classes. Our staff have kindly given up their time after a busy day with our wonderful children to make these opportunities possible, so a huge thank you to them!

Please take a look at the clubs available to your child and sign up through Arbor → Trips. We will do our best to accommodate as many children as possible.

Thank you, as always, for all of your support. Have a lovely weekend!

Carly Lawrence, Headteacher

ATTENDANCE

96.2% this week

Well done to **Explorers Class** who had the highest attendance this week with an impressive **100%** 🌟

Our target: 97%

Every day and every minute of learning matters:

- 8.45am – Gates open – come into the playground, say hello and help us start the day together!
- 8.50am – Classroom doors open – time to settle in and get ready.
- 8.55am – Registration and learning begin.
- 8.56am onwards – Children are marked late.
- If your child is absent, please let the School Office know each day.
- Our attendance target is 97% – thank you for helping us get there together.

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY 21st SEPTEMBER	• 9.15am - 12.25pm - Y6 to Tower Hamlets Junior Citizenship Scheme • Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 Helen Zughaib Class.
TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER	• Year 5 and Year 6 James Rizzi Class Welcome Meeting at 9am, with Nadia • Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 Helen Zughaib Class.
WEDNESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER	• Year 5 and Year 6 Helen Zughaib Class Welcome Meeting at 9am, with Shahana • Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 Helen Zughaib Class.
THURSDAY 24th SEPTEMBER	• Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 Helen Zughaib Class.
FRIDAY 25th SEPTEMBER	• Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 Helen Zughaib Class.

LOOKING AHEAD – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Week beginning 28th September – clubs begin. Look out for clubs on Arbor the week before
- Week beginning 28th September – Bikeability lessons for Y5 & Y6 6 James Rizzi Class
- Monday 28th September – Swimming lessons at York Hall begin for Y5 and Y6 Jen Arayni Class and the Specialist Classes
- Wednesday 30th September at 9.30am - Pioneers Class coffee morning & class meeting
- Tuesday 6th October - Y5/6 James Rizzi Class to IMAX Science Museum.
- Wednesday 7th October at 9.30am - Adventurers Class coffee morning & class meeting
- Friday 9th October – Monday 12th October – Y6 School Journey to PGL Marchants Hill – leaving at 2pm and returning at 3pm
- Wednesday 14th October at 9.30am - Discoverers Class coffee morning & class meeting
- Friday 16th October – Individual and sibling school photos
- Monday 19th October – Friday 23rd October – Y6 Into University Week
- Wednesday 21st October at 9.30am - Explorers Class coffee morning & class meeting
- Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October – Half term
- Wednesday 16th December - Class Ambassadors visit to the Houses of Parliament

BANGABANDHU NEWS AND UPDATES

Building Works – Update

Following our update last week about the upcoming building improvements, there has been a slight delay to the delivery of materials that was due to take place this week.

The materials are now expected to arrive within the next week or so. At this stage, we hope that this will not affect the overall timeline for the planned works. We will continue to keep families updated as the work progresses. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Enrichment Clubs – Something for Everyone!

We are delighted to be offering children a wide range of enrichment clubs this academic year, providing opportunities to enjoy activities beyond the classroom.

Our clubs include a mixture of academic, sports and wellbeing, hobbies and specialist-interest activities, giving children the chance to develop their talents, discover new interests and try something different.

Today, you should have received information on Arbor about the clubs available to your child. Please check Arbor → Trips to view the available clubs and sign your child up.

Clubs will begin week commencing **28th September**.

Our aim is for every child to take part in at least one enrichment club during this academic year, so that every child has the opportunity to find something they enjoy, develop new skills and take part in the wider life of our school.

THIS WEEK'S FAMILY FOCUS

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

For Parents and Carers – Find the Fake

How good are you and your children at spotting misinformation?

Internet Matters' free **Find the Fake** activity is designed for families to try together. It's a simple way to start conversations about whether something online can be trusted and what children can do before believing or sharing it.

Why not try it together and see who gets the highest score?

Link: Find the Fake – Internet Matters <https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/fake-news-and-misinformation-advice-hub/find-the-fake/>

CHILDREN'S WELLBEING

Helping Your Child Feel They Belong

Feeling that we belong is important for children's wellbeing. When children feel safe, accepted and valued, they are more likely to feel confident, build positive relationships and be ready to learn.

You can help strengthen your child's sense of belonging by talking positively about school, asking about the people they have spent time with and encouraging them to join in with activities and make connections with others.

Try questions such as **"Who made you smile today?", "Who did you help today?"** or **"What made you feel part of your class today?"**

These can sometimes tell you much more than simply asking, *"How was school?"*

At Bangabandhu, we want every child to know that they have a place here and they are an important part of our community.

A QUICK REMINDER

Healthy Eating at School

A quick reminder that children may bring a healthy snack to eat at playtime. Fruit is also available in school, so children do not need to bring a snack from home if they are happy to have this.

Please remember that only healthy food should be eaten in the playground and children should bring water only to drink. We are a nut-free school, so please do not send in any foods containing nuts.

If you would like to send in a cake or cupcakes for your child's birthday, a full list of ingredients must be provided so that we can consider children's allergies and dietary needs. Alternatively, and preferably, families are very welcome to send in fruit to share instead.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone healthy and safe.

DON'T FORGET

Book bag every day

Named water bottle

Check Arbor

Arrive by 8.50am

USEFUL INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

Looking for information about school uniform, attendance and absence, medication, healthy snacks, the curriculum, school policies or the start and end of the school day? You can find these, along with other useful information and guidance for families, on the Bangabandhu Primary School website <https://www.bangabandhu.towerhamlets.sch.uk/>