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Wear Yellow Day for Mental Health Awareness

On Wednesday 10th October George Carey held a wear yellow day to support Mental Health Awareness. Children and staff wore yellow for the day and made donations of £1. We would like to inform you that on this occasion we were able to raise £265.55 to donate to the Mental Health Awareness Charity. Once again, we would like to thank all the children and staff who donated to this important charity.

Reception Maths Workshop

On Thursday 11th October the Reception Team held a Maths Workshop. Parents were able to come along and take part in a maths lesson to better understand the way we teach maths in Reception and then take this home to help the children with their learning. We would like to thank the parents who attended the workshop. The children and staff enjoyed working along side you.



Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 18th October – Reception to Year 5 Flu Vaccinations.

Friday 19th October – Golden Assembly for KS1 & KS2 year 3 & 4

Friday 19th October – Half Term. School closes at the normal time of 3.20pm and re-opens on Monday 29th October.

Monday 29th + Tuesday 30th October – Individual class photos

Year 2 visit the Tower of London

On Thursday 11th October the year 2 classes visited the Tower of London. The children had a fantastic day seeing the sights. We would like to thank the staff and parent volunteers for accompanying the children and making the trip possible.



Golden Book Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have been mentioned in our golden book this week: -

Falcons – Savannah + Rachel

Hawks – Chantelle

Eagles – Ebenezer

Merlins – Yusuf + Touree + Urte

Kestrels – Heidi + Mariyam

Ospreys – Lily-May

Ravens – Elias

Puffins – Temi

Wrens - Allan





Work to lay a new sewer in Thames Road, Barking

Dear Customer

We're writing with another update on our work in Thames Road. We're sorry to tell you that while working nearby in Renwick Road we've discovered a pipe belonging to another utility which doesn't appear on our plans. This has unfortunately delayed our work.

Progress and next steps

We've completed 90 per cent of the new and replacement sewers we're working on and have begun replacing the road surface. We have four main areas of ongoing work:

- **Area between Marine Drive and Gallions Close:** This is where we'll connect the two sludge mains we've been replacing back into the existing network. We've adjusted the traffic management locally in Thames Road, maintaining one open lane.
- **Renwick Road:** We need to connect our mains into the Barking Riverside development site, which means crossing Renwick Road. We're mining a tunnel beneath the surface to avoid closing the road. We're now relaying the new sewer within this tunnel to avoid the pipe we've found buried four metres under the road.
- **Business driveways at the west end of Thames Road:** We've completed night work to cross the driveways and are currently laying the new sewer between them.
- **Area just west of Gallions Close:** We're mining another tunnel so that we can run the new sewer under the road culvert.

Over the coming weeks there will be only four areas of excavation open – as mentioned above – and it will look as if we've largely finished the work. However, we need to keep the one-way system and the bus diversions in place for everyone's safety until we've completed everything.

We're now aiming to finish all our work by the end of November. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused by this delay.

Any questions?

If you've any queries in the meantime, please call us on **0800 316 9800**, quoting your address and the reference number **BB 970913**.

Yours sincerely

William Chan Project Manager

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Sustrans Bike It Assembly

On Tuesday 9th October Sustrans visited George Carey children to give an assembly about their exciting new project **Be Bright Car Free Day at George Carey Primary School**. The project is aimed to encourage more families to walk, cycle or scoot to school. To launch the project Sustrans will be holding a **Be Bright Car Free Day on Friday 19th October** event where children get the chance to win a free bike (please see the reverse for more information).

The children enjoyed the assembly and are excited to take part in this event.



PLEASE KEEP THE SCHOOL OFFICE INFORMED OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR EMERGENCY CONTACT

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Be Bright Car Free Day at George Carey Primary School

I'd like to introduce an exciting project that is starting at your child's school this year. Bike It Plus is run by Sustrans. My name is Alison and I am the Sustrans Bike It Plus officer for Barking and Dagenham. I will be working closely with you, your child, the school and the borough to encourage more families to walk, cycle and scoot to school. Your child has been introduced to the project and the benefits of walking, cycling and scooting to school in assembly.

To launch the project, we will be holding **Be Bright Car Free Day Friday 19th with an after-school family walk and bike ride to the Thames** and giving your child the chance to **WIN A BIKE**.

Be Bright Car Free Day Friday 19th October

We will be asking all families to leave the car at home on Friday 19th October. Any pupils who walk, cycle or scoot to school on this day will be rewarded with a **FREE breakfast snack**.

The days are getting shorter and darker we need to remember the importance of being seen to be safe. To help promote safe travel to school we are also asking pupils to decorate their bags, bikes and scooters with bright colours.

Work with your child to help them decorate their bag, bike or scooter with tinsel, tin foil or any other bright things you have at home. Prizes will be awarded for the brightest creative bike, scooter, person and helmet in assembly on the day. Our school Bike It Crew will be choosing the winners and will be told to look out for entries which have used a lot of recycled material.

If your child is decorating their bike or scooter, please ensure it is safe for them to ride before travelling to school.

We understand that for some families that the distance is too far to walk, cycle, scoot we encourage you to use public transport and get off a stop earlier to take part in this activity or parking at least half a mile from school.

Win a frog bike for your school

We are offering one lucky child the opportunity to win a brand-new Frog Bike. To be in with a chance of winning all you need to do is complete this short survey about how your family travels. The survey will help us to make sure our project activities and events meets your family's needs.

<https://sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/bikeit-parent-survey>

After school bike ride and walk to the Thames

Friday 19th October 3.30-5.30pm

Why not end the day of fun by joining us for a led bike ride to the Thames where you will have the chance to take part in some fun craft activities and see the local nature. To take part in this fun family activity please complete the consent form on the reverse of the letter that was given to your child and return it to the school office before Wednesday 17th October.

Alison Litherland

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