

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL



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PARENT CURRICULUM MEETINGS

I hope you've all had a wonderful start to the term! I'm really looking forward to meeting you at our Parent Curriculum Meetings next week. These sessions are a great way for you to hear more about what your child will be learning and how you can support them at home.

Year 6 - Monday 14th Sept at 9.05AM

Year 5 - Tuesday 15th Sept 9.05AM

Year 4 - Wednesday 16th Sept 9.05AM

Year 3 - Thursday 17th Sept 9.05AM

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR FEEDBACK!

After the Parent Curriculum Meetings, please take a few minutes to complete our Parent Curriculum Meeting feedback form. Your thoughts and suggestions really help us to make these events even better for everyone.

BOOK AND SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

After the Parent Curriculum Meetings, we will be selling exercise books and second-hand uniform in the office.

**SCHOOL SWEATSHIRTS/JUMPERS/
CARDIGANS - £5**

GREY TROUSERS/SHORTS/SKIRTS - £3

BLACK HOODIES/ZIPPERS/JOGGERS - £3

POLO SHIRTS - £1

EXERCISE BOOKS - 50P

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Year 6 children will be transferring to secondary school in September 2027.

Parents need to apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2026. Please go to the website of the local authority where you live to complete the application.

Applications must be submitted by 31st October 2026.

www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

[Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\) | Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\) | Ealing Council](#)

JEANS FOR GENES MUFTI DAY

**FOR YEARS 4,5 and 6 IS ON
FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER**

**FOR YEAR 3 IS ON
FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER**

Children can wear jeans to school on Friday 18th Sept to support Jeans for Genes. Children will still need to wear their school jumper/sweatshirt/cardigan

Please donate £1 through ParentPay.



ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK: 7TH – 11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

The Attendance Award was won this week by 5T – congratulations! Their attendance this week was 100%!



TERM TIME LEAVE

Please remember that children are not allowed any time off during term time. There are 13 weeks of non-school time throughout the year when holidays and visits can take place. This is a directive by the Government which all schools must follow. Please ensure that your child attends school regularly.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Children should be in class and ready for learning by 9.00am. It is important that children learn to be punctual for school every day. Any children who arrive past 9.00am are considered late and must report to the school office or a member of staff on duty on the playground. At the start of the day, we operate a soft start system to help build children's confidence and independence.

ATTENDANCE

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL OVERALL ATTENDANCE CHART 3RD – 11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Class	Percentage
3R	96.3%
3S	97.8%
4R	93.2%
4S	96.2%
4T	97.6%
5R	95.4%
5S	92.3%
5T	97.9%
6R	94.2%
6S	95.6%
6T	93.8%
Overall School	95.5%

The Government target for attendance is 96%. Any attendance below this figure has been highlighted red. It is important that your children attend school unless they are too ill to do so.



REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is ill or unable to attend school, you will need to report it to the school. This can be done by ringing the school office on **0208 574 1726** to speak to a member of the office staff, or alternatively, you can email us at:

office@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

or

parents@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

Please notify the school by 9am if possible. The school will only "authorise" this absence if it is appropriate to do so.

YEAR 3

YEAR 3 – INSTRUCTIONS

Sandwiches, Surprises and Super Instructions!

We had lots of fun this week kicking off our new writing theme: **Instructions!**

Year 3 began by exploring just how important it is to make instructions clear, detailed and in the correct order. Their challenge was to write instructions explaining how to make a sandwich – but they forgot a few very important steps!

This led to some rather unusual and very silly sandwiches, as the instructions were followed exactly as they had been written! There were plenty of shocked faces and lots of laughter along the way.

It was a fun and memorable way for the children to discover why every detail matters when writing instructions. Year 3 are now ready to put what they have learnt into practice and become instruction-writing experts! 🥪✏️



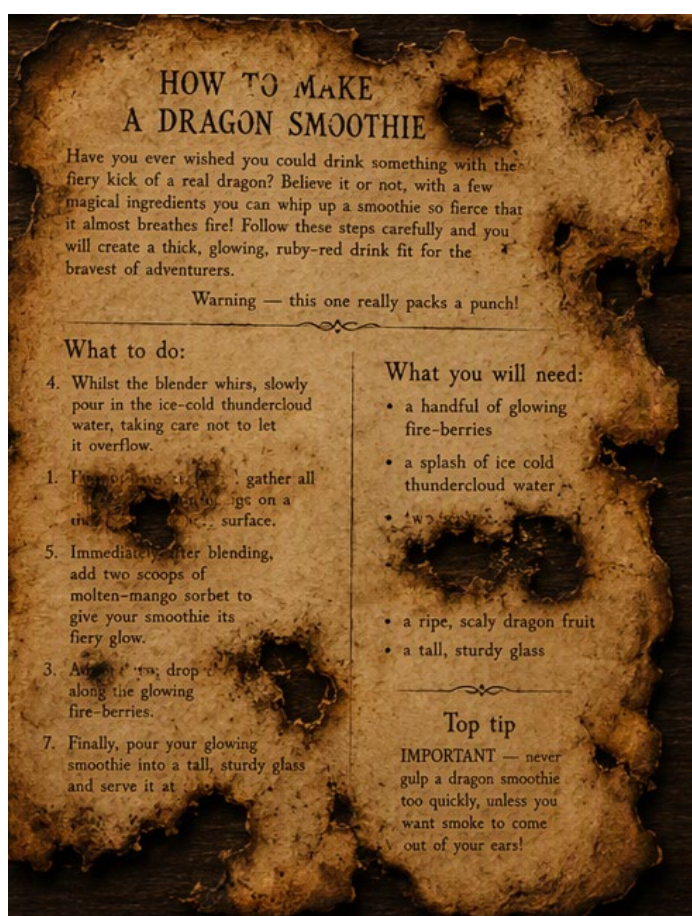
YEAR 3



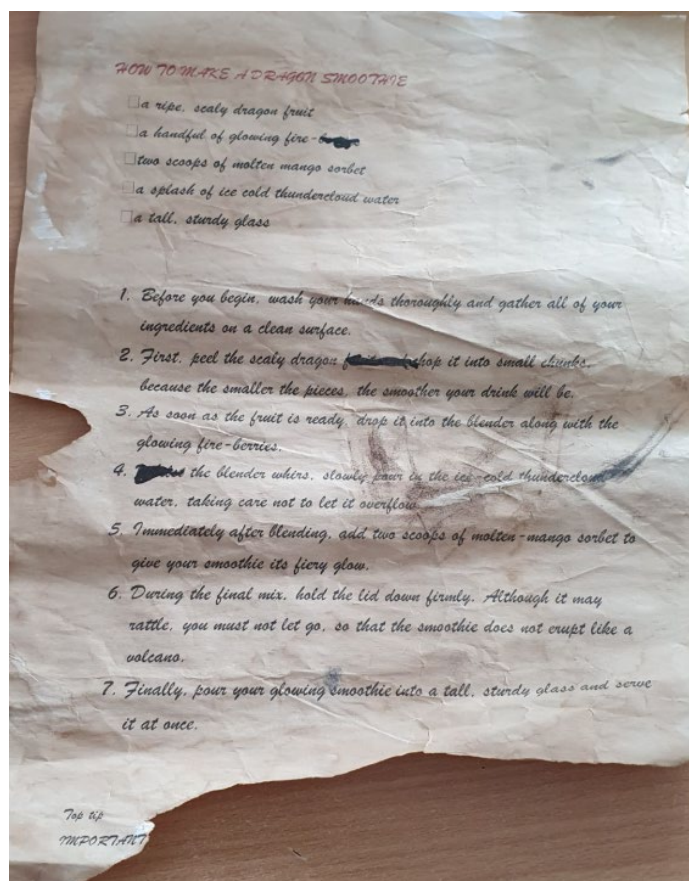
YEAR 4

YEAR 4 – LITERACY

Year 4 had a very mysterious start to our new Talk for Writing unit on instructions! The children arrived to discover that our classroom had been completely trashed! Amongst the clues were dragon fruit, fire berries, a jug of water and a set of instructions for making a dragon smoothie! The children had great fun investigating what might have happened, discussing who or what could have entered our classroom and why a dragon might need a smoothie!



YEAR 4

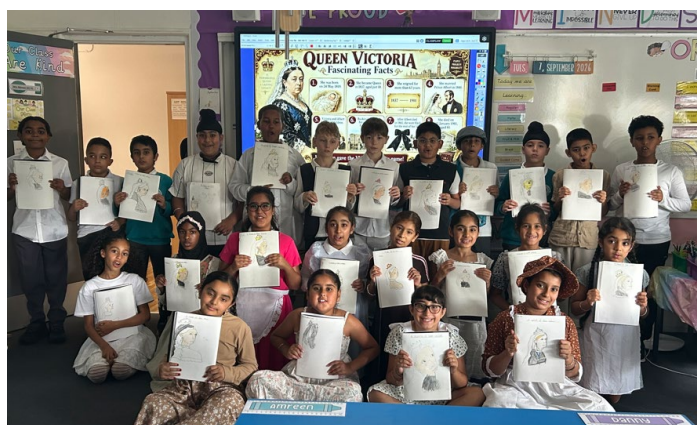


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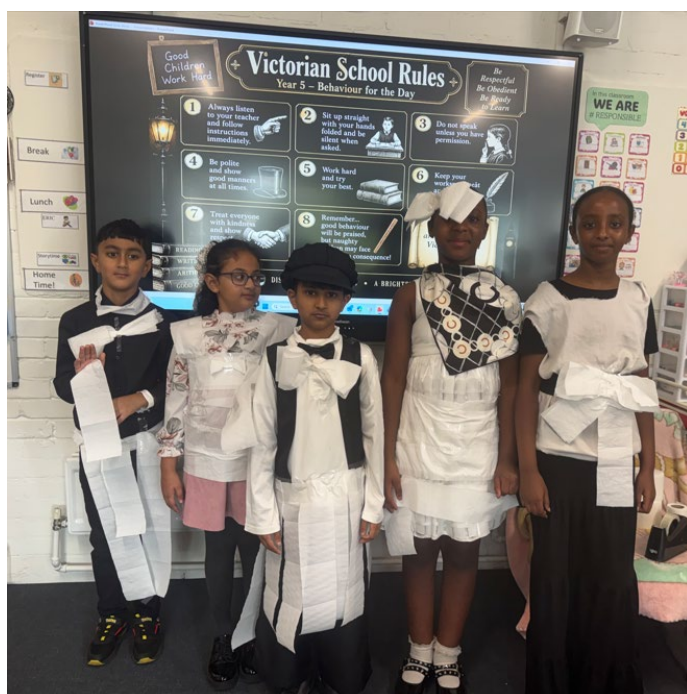
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YEAR 5 – WOW DAY

We begin our launch to this term with our Year 5 pupils by stepping back in time for a fantastic Victorian-themed WOW Day. The children came dressed in wonderful costumes, bringing the era to life with chimney sweeps, maids, frilly dresses and even a few stern schoolmasters in the mix! Children immersed themselves into Victorian school life, creating peg dolls, sketching Queen Victoria, learning traditional Victorian games and experiencing a taste of what life was like over a hundred years ago. It was a day full of laughter, learning, and imagination.



YEAR 5



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YEAR 6

YEAR 6 – START TO THE NEW YEAR

What a great start to Year 6 we have had!

We are learning much about our teachers and peers alike, settling into routines and maturing by day.

From performing shapes and balances in Gymnastics to some weekly Maths challenges, we have kept ourselves busy!

This week, we have attempted to create origami animals, demonstrating or building on the resilience we have. We learnt that things are not always going to be easy but we are going to open ourselves up to accepting novel and different challenges in our last year at NGJS!

YEAR 6



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CENTRE FOR THE DEAF

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CENTRE FOR THE DEAF – WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

It has been a lovely start to the new school year in the Centre for the Deaf! The children have settled in really well and have enjoyed getting back into school routines, seeing their friends and taking part in lots of fun and exciting activities. It has been wonderful to see everyone smiling, learning and making a positive start to the year. We are looking forward to all the fantastic experiences and learning opportunities still to come!



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to our Stars of the Week this week, we are very proud of you all!

YEAR 3 STARS OF THE WEEK

Muhammad Musa – 3R

Amaya – 3S



YEAR 4 STARS OF THE WEEK

Theo – 4R

Emilia – 4S

Basma – 4T



STARS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 5 STARS OF THE WEEK

Shayan – 5R

Hajar – 5S

Manjot – 5T



YEAR 6 STARS OF THE WEEK

Krish – 6R

Gurman – 6S

Maiwand – 6T



Well done!

DIARY DATES

14 SEP: YEAR 6 PARENT CURRICULUM MEETING AT 9.05AM

15 SEP: YEAR 5 PARENT CURRICULUM MEETING AT 9.05AM

16 SEP: YEAR 4 PARENT CURRICULUM MEETING AT 9.05AM

17 SEP: YEAR 6 PARENT CURRICULUM MEETING AT 9.05AM

18 SEP: JEANS FOR GENES DAY

23 SEP: YR 5 TRIP TO GUNNERSBURY MUSEUM

24 SEP: YR 5 TRIP TO GUNNERSBURY MUSEUM

6 OCT: YEAR 6 HEIGHTS AND WEIGHTS

8 OCT: YR 4 TRIP TO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

13 OCT: YR 6 TRIP TO IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM

21 OCT: YR 3 TRIP TO SCIENCE MUSEUM

23 OCT: LAST DAY OF TERM – PUPILS FINISH AT 2.30PM

TERM DATES 2026-2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026

THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2026

HALF TERM:

MONDAY 26 OCTOBER TO MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2026

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:

MONDAY 21 DECEMBER TO FRIDAY 1 JANUARY 2027

SPRING TERM 2027

MONDAY 4 JANUARY TO THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2027

HALF TERM:

MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY TO MONDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2027

EASTER HOLIDAYS:

FRIDAY 26 MARCH TO FRIDAY 9 APRIL 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027

MONDAY 12 APRIL TO WEDNESDAY 21 JULY 2027

MAY DAY: MONDAY 3 MAY 2027

HALF TERM:

MONDAY 31 MAY TO MONDAY 7 JUNE 2027



Online Safety Newsletter

Sept 2026

Childline under 12s site

Childline have a separate area on their website for under 12s. The pages are written for primary school children. The area includes a section full of games and a Buddy Zone with tips, such as how to speak to a trusted adult and information on where to get extra support from.

You can access this area here:
<https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/u12-landing/>

How to manage parental controls for different ages?

Internet Matters asked online experts, Karl Hopwood and Richard Waite to share their advice on how to manage parental controls for different ages. Find out more here:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/question/managing-parental-controls-for-different-ages/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translation tool on our web version:
<https://www.knowsleycscs.org.uk/september-2026-primary/>

New guidance issued due to concern of AI-manipulated images

Photos of children that seem completely innocent can be manipulated using artificial intelligence (AI) to create sexualised or abusive images. There is a growing threat that children's images shared online are being manipulated by criminals into AI generated sexual abuse material. As concerns grow, the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) and the National Crime Agency (NCA) have issued new guidance to help you understand the risks around AI image manipulation and advice on how to speak to your child about AI and image consent.



The IWF states that child sexual abuse images or videos created or altered using AI may include:

- Everyday images of a child or young person that are manipulated into child sexual abuse imagery, including images taken from social media, websites or messaging apps, that are manipulated into sexualised or abusive imagery. These are sometimes known as 'deepfakes'.
- Images or videos that look like a real child but are completely artificial.
- AI technology that digitally removes clothing from existing images to create nude or semi-nude images, sometimes known as 'nudifying'.

[source: IWF <https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/> accessed 25.08.26]

What can I do?

The guidance provides practical advice about sharing photographs of your child online. Some useful things to consider are:

- Think before you share photographs online. The IWF suggest creating a 'close friends' group to share images.
- Check and adjust your privacy settings on all social media accounts.
- Understand the steps to take if you or your child has any concerns and the organisations you can contact.

Where can I find the new guidance?

The full guidance can be accessed at the link below. It also includes a video highlighting how everyday photos can be misused using AI tools.

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>

You can find the full press release/announcement here:

<https://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/news/new-guidance-for-parents-and-carers-as-ai-manipulated-images-of-children-become-a-growing-concern>

YouTube

YouTube is one of the most popular platforms, available across many different devices - phones, tablets and Smart TVs etc. YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13, however, younger children can still access YouTube with consent from a parent/guardian. There are different options available to access YouTube, depending on your child's age:



1. YouTube Kids – a separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age category you select: Preschool (ages 4 and under), Younger (ages 5–8) or Older (ages 9–12).

2. Supervised accounts – a parent-managed version of YouTube that allows you to control the content your child can access. You can select one of the following options:

- **Explore** - Generally for viewers aged 9+.
- **Explore more** - Generally for viewers aged 13+
- **Most of YouTube** - This setting includes almost everything except for videos marked as 18+.

Find out more: <https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/10315420>

What do I need to be aware of?

Whilst YouTube can be educational and fun, it is important to be aware of the potential risks, such as:

- **Inappropriate content**
- **Excessive Screen time** – particularly due to the autoplay feature.
- **Unwanted contact / cyberbullying** – particularly via comments if your child is sharing videos.
- **Algorithms** – algorithms influence what we see to keep us engaged. This can lead to a user being exposed to large amounts of content about one topic/theme, which may not be helpful if it is negative.
- **Adverts** that may not be aimed at or suitable for your child's age.

What can I do?

- Set up appropriate parental controls.
- Show your child the reporting and blocking tools available.
- Watch YouTube together or supervise use.

Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/entertainment-search-engines/youtube-app/>

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A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives

The Children's Commissioner has published this guide to help you support your child and make starting conversations about their online world easier. It's a useful read:

<https://assets.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wpuploads/2025/12/cc-what-i-wish-parent-guide.pdf>

Nex Playground

Nex Playground is a new video game console, which features games to get kids active. The games have no ads, no violence and no chat features, however it does rely on purchasing either a yearly or quarterly game subscription. You can find out more here:

<https://www.nexplayground.com/en-gb>

Online Safety Quiz

The NSPCC have created this quiz to test your child's knowledge on how to stay safe online. It's a great way to start a conversation with your child about their online life. You can access the quiz here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/quiz/>

WhatsApp Usernames

WhatsApp is introducing the use of usernames, so people no longer have to share their phone number. Wayne Denner provides an overview of the new features, what you need to consider and steps you can take here:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/whatsapp-username-what-parents-need-to-know/>

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Competitive,
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