



## **VACANCY**

Due to a surprise resignation we have a vacancy for a North Site Parent Governor .

### **The role of the governing board**

The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

### **The role of a parent governor**

As a parent governor, you'll work with the board to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll also play a vital role in bringing a **parental perspective** to the governing board, but you're not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body.

To be a parent governor you should have:

A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children

Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills

If you are interested in applying please complete the form on the school app. The deadline for applying will be the 31st OCTOBER. If there is more than one candidate we will then open up a vote for you to decide who you would like. If anyone would like to find out more please email me at [headteacher@missiongrove.org.uk](mailto:headteacher@missiongrove.org.uk) or speak to one of the current parent governors; Karla Thomas and Joseph Viscomi.

### **Next week is Half Term.**

Waltham Forest half term is different to the rest of the country this year, I am not sure why. It does mean that holidays may be slightly cheaper which is a bonus. There have been more requests than we have ever had for time off. I do want to remind you that the fines for children's absence has increased to £80 and if you have already had a fine it will double. This is from the Local Authority and the school does not get any of the money.

Save the date—Monday 16th December. It is the annual Christmas Fair. The PTA have had their first meeting of the year and we welcome Chelsea King back as the chair . If you have any ideas for the Christmas fair or know anyone who would like to have a stall please contact [friends@missiongrove.org.uk](mailto:friends@missiongrove.org.uk). We are also looking at starting a Mission Grove Market, this is just an idea at the moment. Again, if you are interested in looking to help us set this up please let your class teacher know or the office.

Parent Council meeting will be on the first Tuesday back, 29th October. If you represent your child's class please come to the North site for 9am. The main agenda item will be Rights and Respecting.

Katie Jennings

Head Teacher

## **Birthdays**

For birthdays we ask that you do not send in goodie bags or sweets and that you think about donating a book or a game for wet play to the class. It is not the class teachers role to hand out party invitations either.

## **Lateness**

We had over 50 children late for school today. This is not acceptable. Please remember the gates close at 8.45 on South and 9am on North. If your child is sneaking in at this time they are late.

## **Uniform**

Please make sure your children are wearing the correct uniform and footwear—High top trainers are **NOT** part of the school uniform.

## SPECIAL DATES IN OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

Secondary School

September 2025

### **Starting year 7 in September 2025**

If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014, you can now apply for them to start secondary school in September 2025.

If you want to apply for secondary school places in other year groups, see our [in-year admissions](#) page.

If your child has an education, health and care plan (EHCP), the arrangements for your child's transfer will be different. The SEND team will contact you directly to explain the process further.



19th –27th School closed half term holiday

21st—25th October Half term Holiday Club

28th October children return to school

29th 9am Parent Council meeting North site

Deadline for Card designs to be brought back to school

30th Halloween Disco EYFS—Year 2 from the end of the school day until 4.45pm South 5p North site

Years 3—6 south site 5pm—6.45pm. North site 5.15—7pm

### November

1st Year 5 & 6 Multi sports competition

4th Swan & Sparrow swimming

Steel Pan Band workshops

5th Year 6 Trip @ HMS Belfast

Reception 2025 Open day North site

6th Reception 2025 Open day South site

7th –13th Book Fair North

Kingfisher trip London Archives linked to Great fire of London

Phonics workshop South

Parents Evening

8th Blackbird Class Assembly

Wear it Red for Remembrance (Non Uniform)

11th Anti Bullying Week

Kestrel trip London Archives

13th Kittiwake trip London Archives

14th Book fair South site

Police presentation—year 5 & 6 parents in the evening



If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they will be starting reception in primary school from September 2025.

You can start applying for a school place from 1 September 2024 when the applications open. The application process closes on 15 January 2025 and the national offer day is 16 April 2025.

We have some open days for new parents to come and look around—book a visit [here](#).

## Phonics Workshops for Reception & Year 1 Parents – 7th, 14th, 21st November 9am [South Site](#)

In the Autumn term we run phonics workshops for parents and carers to find out more about the teaching of Phonics at Mission Grove. The workshop outlines what phonics is, how it helps your child with their early reading and writing and provides a range of ideas for activities and resources you can use to support your child at home. While this workshop is aimed at Reception & Year 1 parents and carers, we welcome anyone who would like to come along to learn a bit more about Phonics and how you can support your child in their early reading and writing.

Please see below links to our Phonics pages, where you can find out more about how we teach Phonics at Mission Grove and some resources that you might find useful for supporting your child at home.

<https://www.missiongroveschool.co.uk/page/?title=Phonics+%2D+Read+Write+Inc&pid=2595>





Mission Grove Primary School

# Spooky Disco!

30<sup>th</sup> October - EY & KS1 3:15 - 4:45

KS2 - 5:00 - 6:45

chips, drinks and glow sticks all included

Tickets - £5 per child

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# Half-Term activities

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY,  
& FRIDAY | 13:00-16:00**

We have created a new space for young people. A place with a creative edge where they can chill, learn, work, and own their experiences.

**PS5, CREATIVE PROJECTS, TRIPS, HOT FOOD, SOCIAL IMPACT CAMPIAGN**

**The Cotch, Central Parade, Hoe st, Walthamstow, E17 4RT**

**THURSDAY | 16:30-18:30**

A space for young people. where they can chill, learn, work, and own their experiences. A space for all ages to enjoy and create new friendships.

**PS5, CREATIVE PROJECTS, HOT FOOD, MULTI SPORTS, AND MUCH MORE**

**Pasture Youth Centre, 15 Davies Lane, Leytonstone, E11 3DR**

For more information please get intouch:  
**Hello@lymoregardensfc.com or 07459 879 007**



For Ages:  
11-18 years old





# October Half Term CREATIVE YOUTH HUB

Monday 21st Oct

Wednesday 23rd Oct

Friday 25th Oct

12pm - 3pm



Get involved with our Creative Crib Sessions and get access to further opportunities, support and training



AGES 14 - 25

## Activities include

- ✓ Podcasting Sessions
- ✓ Music Production & DJ'ing
- ✓ Board Games, Arts & Craft
- ✓ PlayStation Gaming & VR
- ✓ Mentoring & Support
- ✓ Food & Refreshments

## Sidmouth House

25 Sidmouth

Road

London

E10 5QZ



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The world is full of kind people. If you can't find one, be one.



Help us create a safe and happy environment for everyone. Think before you shout or get angry with staff. **RESPECT YOURSELF, RESPECT OTHERS!**



Shouting & swearing will not be tolerated anywhere in school.



Just a few pictures to share what we have been learning this week .







🔍 Search [gofundme.com](https://gofundme.com) for

Playground refurbishment

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Show your support by going to this link

<https://gofundme.com/b4a22a0c>



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### Step 1

Visit [myschoolfund.org](https://myschoolfund.org) to sign up for free and link to your child's school



### Step 2

Register your credit/debit card to your account



### Step 3

Spend at participating retailers



### Step 4

Start receiving your eGift Cards!



# We're part of the My School Fund initiative.

## Together we can boost our school's budget, plus your own!

It's completely free to sign up and both you and your child's school will receive eGift Cards to be used at participating retailers based on a percentage of your spend.

**Visit [myschoolfund.org](https://myschoolfund.org) today!**

SCAN FOR INFO





You will have seen that we have various different ways to help raise funds for the school.

1 easyfundraising is linked to online shopping that you do. It doesn't cost you anything and it is all to do with the number of searches/hits a shops website gets. The link for that is [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mission-grove-primary-school](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/mission-grove-primary-school)

2 my school fund is one that we have had for quite a while. This one earns you and the school credits for Argos and Sainsbury's. Again it doesn't cost you anything at all but you get a reward as well as the school. The link for that is [.www.myschoolfund.org](http://www.myschoolfund.org).

3 This is our newest one, our gofundme page. At a recent PTA meeting the chair mentioned that as they have friends and family all over the world who wanted to sponsor her son for last years mile run, she set up a gofundmepage and he raised over £400. So we decided to do it directly for the school. I'm afraid this one is purely donations to the school.

[gofund.me/0eec9f31](http://gofund.me/0eec9f31)

The money that we raised from fundraising events last year helped to fund

- 1- Theatre trip for all year 5 & 6
- 2- Pantomime for all Reception , year 1, 2,3 & 4
- 3- The coach for the Year 6 residential
- 4- New Quidditch equipment
- 5- New reading AR reading books
- 6—medals for sports day and mile run
- 7-Contribution to trips

This year we are raising funds for Theatre, pantomime, Residential and the sound system on south and MOST IMPORTANTLY the playground equipment across both sites.

## Walthamstow teacher wins British boxing title !!!!!!!!!!! We are so proud!



Miss Mytti is celebrating after becoming the British female welterweight champion last weekend.

Read more in the Walthamforestecho [Walthamstow teacher wins British boxing title - Waltham Forest Echo](http://Walthamstow teacher wins British boxing title - Waltham Forest Echo)

**NHS**

Could you be eligible for Healthy Start?

Visit our website to find out more:  
[www.healthystart.nhs.uk](http://www.healthystart.nhs.uk)

### Healthy Start pre-paid card

If you are more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under four years old, you could get help to buy healthy food and milk.

Items include essentials like:

- fresh, tinned or frozen fruit and vegetables
- pulses such as lentils and beans
- cow's milk