



PARENT BULLETIN

Issue: 12 Week Commencing: 21/09/2026

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another positive week at school, and it has been lovely to see our pupils settling back into their routines and approaching their learning with such enthusiasm. The start of a new term is always an important time for re-establishing expectations, building good habits and setting ourselves up for a successful year ahead.

Next week will be a busy one, with vaccinations taking place and some of our pupils heading off on their residential trip to Stubbers. We hope they have a fantastic time, make wonderful memories and enjoy all the new experiences and challenges that the trip will bring.

Thank you, as always, to our families for your continued support.

Wishing everyone a restful weekend!

Kind regards,
Chadia

Menu Week Commencing: 21/09/2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese GLUTEN (WHEAT) & MILK	Margherita Pizza GLUTEN (WHEAT)	Chilli Con Carne	Chicken Tikka Masala MILK	Fish Fingers FISH & GLUTEN (WHEAT)
Option 2	Tomato & Olive Pasta GLUTEN (WHEAT)	BBQ Chicken Pizza OR Veg Supreme Pizza MILK	Chilli Sin Carne	Chickpea Masala Curry	Vegetable Pakora
Sides	Wholemeal Rosemary Focaccia GLUTEN (WHEAT)	Potato Wedges	Tacos, Coleslaw & Tomato Salsa SULPHITES	Basmati Rice, Kachumber Salad & Mint Raita	Skin on Chips

IMPORTANT: Operation Encompass

Joseph Clarke School works in collaboration with the Metropolitan Police Service as part of their legal commitments under Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is the notification to schools that a child (under 18) has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. This includes incidents where the child/young person was not present but is part of the household. This will ordinarily be done by the start of the next school day.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a specially trained member of the school staff, known as a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), is informed. The DSL can then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to ensure the wellbeing of the child.

The school may be able to make provisions or adjustments to assist the child and their family.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and we believe this is an extremely beneficial service for all those involved.

If you would like more information, please visit
<https://www.operationencompass.org>

UNIFORM POLICY

Nursery - Year 11

Branded Items:
Red Polo shirt
Grey Sweatshirt
Non-Branded Items:
Grey trousers/skirt
Grey/Red Cardigan
Red Summer Dress

P.E. KIT
T-Shirt (any colour)
Tracksuit bottoms/
shorts (any colour)
Trainers/Pimsoles
(black)
P.E. bag

Please note we no longer hold uniform stock at school. All uniform purchases need to be made through Speed Stitch.
Details are below:

Address:

Unit 32, Walthamstow Business Centre
Clifford Road
Walthamstow
E17 4SX

Contact Details:

T: 0208 531 4800
E: schoolshop@speedstitch.co.uk

To view the items
available please scan
the QR code:



All items are available to purchase from [Speed Stitch!](https://www.speedstitch.co.uk) They also deliver!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE:

Weekly whole school attendance: **90%**

If your child will be absent from school you must report it to us by **9:30am** each day.

You can do this by calling the school office on 0208 523 4833, or leaving a message on the absence line.

Thank you.

[Attendance Expectations](#)

TERM DATES 2026-2027

Autumn Term:

3rd September - 17th December 2026

Half Term: 26th - 30th October

Christmas Holidays: 18th Dec - 5th Jan

INSET Days: 1st & 2nd September 2026

Spring Term:

5th January - 24th March 2027

Half Term: 15th - 19th February

Easter Holidays: 25th March - 9th April

INSET Days: 4th January 2027

Summer Term:

12th April - 20th July 2027

Half Term: 28th May - 4th June

Bank Holidays: 3rd May & 31st May

Summer Holidays: 21st July - 2nd Sept

INSET Days: 28th May & 25th June 2027

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRIPS:

Meet the Teacher/Macmillan Coffee Morning:

Primary: Tuesday 22nd September 9:30-11am

Secondary: Tuesday 29th September 9:30-11am

Stubbers: Weds 23rd-Fri 25th September

Kensington Palace: Friday 2nd October

Parent Information Session: Thurs 15th October

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

. If you have any outstanding balances for meals/clubs on Arbor from last year, please make payment as soon as possible.

. For Year 6 pupils in Waltham Forest who transitioned to Year 7 this year and were in receipt of The Mayor of London's Free School Meal Scheme, you will now have to pay for school meals, unless you qualify for Free School Meals.

ANNUAL REVIEWS:

An annual review is a meeting to look at your child's Educational, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) and make sure the support & outcomes remain relevant. The review is person-centred and gives families, schools and professionals the opportunity to discuss progress, identify any changes needed and plan next steps.

For further information on the annual review process, what is involved, transitions, early reviews, local authority decisions and preparing for the annual review please follow the link to [Waltham Forests SEND Local Offer](#) or visit your local authorities website.

USEFUL LINKS:

[Arbor](#)
[Arbor Help Centre](#)
[School Cloud](#)
[Speed Stitch](#)
[School Website](#)
[Free School Meals](#)
[Uniform Policy](#)

Have a lovely weekend! 😊