

# Holiday Childcare Scheme

## Farm fun in May

Visit our website for information about our next scheme in July/August 2025.

The children were welcomed to the scheme this May half term with our exciting theme 'farm fun'. Children enjoyed an array of arts and crafts from making farm animal finger puppets to planting their own mini herbs and flowers. There was a lot of interaction within the group, with children helping each other to do tasks like sharpening colour pencils, cutting out shapes and helping new children settle in. The children and staff alike enjoyed our new school environment, with its lovely grounds. There was a lot of fun on the climbing frames, which was a sure hit for the children.

Both main scheme and teens participated in planting a variety of seeds for flowering plants and herbs. The children were very much drawn to this activity as they wanted to show their parents what they had planted.

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### Figures from our May 2025 scheme bookings

**410**

sessions booked

**144**

children supported

**110**

total families supported

**86**

working families supported

**43**

LBTH schools represented in bookings

The Holiday Childcare Team is part of the Parent and Family Support Service.  
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The children went on mini trips to Poplar Park where they had the opportunity to enjoy the vast grounds and the play area. They were able to climb and play in the tree house and use the football/basketball pitch area. This was a first experience for some children as they had not visited this park before. We hope to take more trips during the summer scheme.

We had a few team activities available too for this scheme including archery, laser tag and dodgeball. Children were ready to take aim and participate in archery, to target and throw in dodgeball and escape opponents in laser tag. By the end of the scheme the children were very happy and had enjoyed the new school plus the end of week afternoon party/treats.

Cooking together continued at the scheme. The children cooked low sugar Victoria sponge cake, orange tarts, vegetable pizza and more. They learnt chopping, weighing and mixing skills and how to work together to create a tasty treat for all the children that attended for snack time each afternoon. The Holiday Childcare Scheme prides itself in offering an inclusive universal provision. To view a copy of the report and more information about the scheme please visit our website [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs)





# Children's feedback

I really liked this school because I come to this school.

Mario, 7



My friends are always here so it's fun to play with them.

Tegen, 8



The adults look after me all the time and I always ask them for help.

Xiya Jin, 7

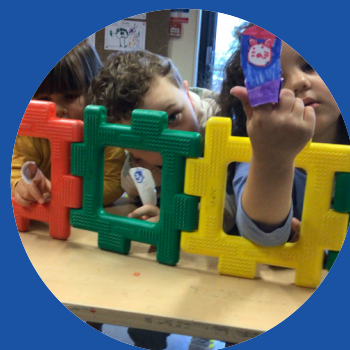
I have really enjoyed coming here, I was very anxious, but I made friends and there are lots of activities.

Delphine, 9



I really enjoy helping the adults and helping in the early years.

Aya Ismaili, 13



# Parents/carers feedback

Firstly, I would like to thank your colleagues at the Our Lady holiday scheme. My daughter thoroughly enjoyed her time there.

Harriet Chester

Thank you for continuing to provide a great service during the holidays - my son looks forward to holiday club every time which is so reassuring as a working parent.

Robyn Jeffery

I could not understand the booking system without speaking to someone several times by email. I have to say everyone who emailed me back was quick to reply and very helpful.

Clara Huette

## You said... we did

### YOU SAID...

"I would be happy to have more detail around timetabled activities."

Ana

### WE DID...

We really want parents to see which activities are available. We display activities at the front desk next to parents' notices. Any issues please don't hesitate to ask member of staff.



On behalf of the Holiday Childcare Team we wish you well and look forward to seeing you at the next scheme in July/August.

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