

MJPS NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th September 2025



Headteacher's message

Welcome to a new school year here at Mosaic. The children have settled back into school routines with enthusiasm and there is already a great buzz of learning and activity across the classrooms.

We have also enjoyed a very special start to our Jewish festival season. Celebrating Rosh Hashanah together reminded us of the importance of new beginnings, reflection and community. This week, our annual Tashlich walk gave the children an opportunity to take part in this meaningful tradition, and it was heart-warming to see them engaging so thoughtfully.

As we move into the weeks ahead, I look forward to seeing the children continue to flourish in their learning, friendships and celebrations.

Admin

Appointments

- If your child has an appointment, a confirmation of this appointment needs to be provided to the School Office. No evidence of an appointment will mean that your child's absence will be marked as unauthorised.

Drop Off and Collection

- If you are dropping your child off to school in a car, we ask that you park in the marked bays on the main road instead of stopping in front of the car entrances. Parking in front of the car entrances blocks other road users trying to access our site, Eastwood Nursery and the Roehampton Family Hub. It is also incredibly dangerous as it causes disruption on Roehampton Lane, which is a very busy main road. Please be mindful of this when dropping your child off to school in a car.
- Children must also come into school via the **pedestrian gate** - use of the car gate is not permitted.

Attendance of the month

Congratulations to the classes below for winning the weekly attendance certificates for September.

School attendance continues to be a priority for our school community. Our whole school attendance is currently 95% and our target is 96%. If your child's attendance falls below 90% they are considered persistently absent. If you would like support with your child's attendance, please contact our Attendance Officer, Mrs Naude, on admin@mjps.org.uk.

Week beginning	Lower School	Upper School
8th September 2025	Barley Aleph (100%)	Olive Aleph
15th September 2025	Barley Aleph	Olive Aleph
22nd September 2025	Fig Aleph (100%)	Olive Aleph



Staff Star of the Month

Congratulations to Miss Brown, our fantastic SENCO!

Miss Brown has been an absolute superstar, working tirelessly to support both staff and children as we've all settled into the new school year. She's been offering guidance, lending a listening ear and making sure that every child feels supported and every teacher feels confident in meeting their needs.

Her hard work, patience and dedication shine through in everything she does. We are so grateful for the positive impact she has across the whole school.

Thank you, Miss Brown, for all that you do!

Teaching and Learning

Reception

Reception has had a fantastic start to their school life at Mosaic. We have been busy settling in, learning the daily routines and making new friends.

In Maths, we have been exploring numbers using Numicon as well as learning how to match and sort objects by shape, size and colour.

We have started our phonics journey and have learnt the phonemes s, a, t, p, i, n, m and d. We can now read simple words such as 'sat', 'dip' and 'nap'. Our favourite phonics activity is playing 'Silly Soup' where we make an imaginary soups using only ingredients beginning with the phoneme of the day!

Reception has loved learning about Rosh Hashana – we baked apple and honey cupcakes, made apple themed prints and crafts, and played Rosh Hashana matching games. We can't wait to learn more about the upcoming Jewish Holidays!



Year 1

Year 1 has come into the new school year with energy, drive, enthusiasm and have impressed Miss Cohen and Mrs Waqar every single day! We have been so impressed by the learning so far.

In English, we started off with our 'Colour Monster' story and loved hearing about all the different feelings that the children knew. We have read quite a few stories since, and the children immerse themselves totally.

In Maths, we have been sorting, counting and exploring numbers which the children have cruised through. Their Reception knowledge is shining out and we are working with some new big numbers. Science has been a lot of fun: exploring seasons, finding out how the trees change in the seasons and making beautiful seasons art. History has been learning about our own personal history and how personal timelines work.

In Art, we have been exploring line work and practicing the different types of lines. We enjoyed looking at our baby photos and reflecting on how we have grown.

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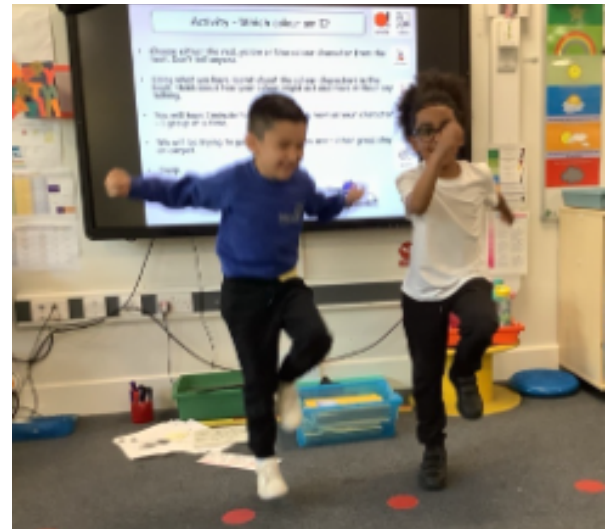
Year 2

Year 2 has started this year with a great learning attitude: full of inquisitive questions and a can-do attitude.

In English, we have been looking at character descriptions. We have used a book titled *Mixed* by Arree Chung, a lovely book with a great moral to it. The children got to perform how they think the characters might behave, strengthening their understanding of the characters but also helping visualise how they might describe their own characters later.

In History, DT and English, we are looking at the devastating event of the Great Fire of London. We will be looking at the impact the fire had on communities at the time as well as the way it helped shape the modern fire service today.

In Maths, we have been looking at place value and looking at different ways to represent numbers. We have also been working on our Science muscles - researching habitats, grouping living things, non-living things, and dead things, also considering patterns we spot with animals in their habitats.



Year 3

What a wonderful start to Year 3! The students have thoroughly enjoyed their learning so far, and we were delighted to have the opportunity to meet the talented author and illustrator Chris Riddell in person. His storytelling and live illustrations captivated everyone and made the session truly unforgettable.

In Music, we have been exploring a traditional pentatonic song about travelling around the world. This has given us lots of creative opportunities — from inventing cup rhythm games and discovering pentatonic melodies from different cultures, to singing in rounds and composing our own ostinato accompaniments.

As part of our Geography learning, we went on a field trip around our local area to investigate how the land is used. It was so much fun spotting the different types of land use — from residential and commercial areas to recreational spaces, transport routes and even agricultural land! Along the way, we also levelled up our map-reading skills, becoming real geographers in action.



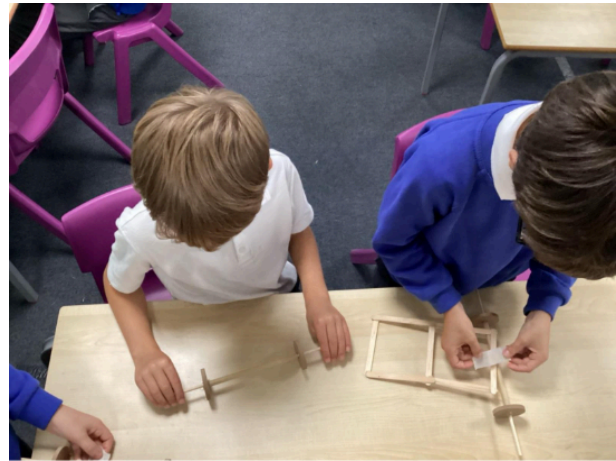
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Year 4

What a fun and energetic start Year 4 has had to the new academic year! It's so lovely to have some of my old pupils back in class with me and to extend our old family to a now bigger one.

For our DT sessions, we have been working with partners to create our very own slingshot cars. At first, we needed to look at the evolution of cars to see how the designs and technology have changed over time. Then, it was time to build our own chase! We had to make sure we were careful when sticking the popsicle sticks together with the hot glue gun, adding the wheels and then creating the slingshot mechanism to help our product effectively launch. We are now currently on the section of designing the body of the car, so watch this space!

As part of the European Day of Languages event, Year 4 had the great opportunity of exploring the country Norway (one of Ms Schurr's favourite Scandinavian places). To be fully immersed in the Norwegian experience, we decided to have a mini feast - trying all the different styles of food that are renowned in that area. Unfortunately, Ms Schurr wasn't able to buy any Reindeer / Elk meat to bring to school, however she did find an amazing selection of Herring, pickles and thick rye bread. A massive applause to the pupils who were willing to try it for the first time, as it's not a taste to everyone's liking.



Year 5

What a great start to the term it's been for Year 5!

In Maths, we've been exploring place value and have proven to be real whizzes when it comes to rounding—something that's sure to help us in everyday life, especially when out shopping!

In English, we've delved into the dramatic world of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*. We've taken on the role of journalists to report on the shocking murder of King Duncan, and we're looking forward to digging deeper into the themes of the play with an exciting class debate on who the real villain might be.

Last week, we enjoyed our first Year 5 trip to Hampton Court Palace. The workshop was fantastic, and we were proud to impress the staff with our knowledge of Henry VIII and his many wives!



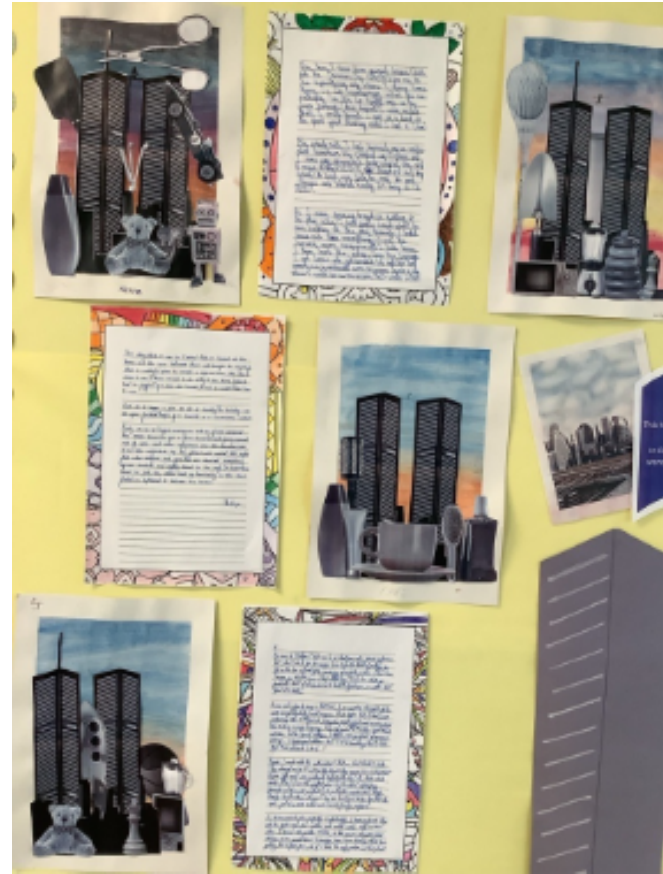
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Year 6

Year 6 hit the ground running this term. We have been very busy.

In English, we have writing narratives based on the wonderful picture book, 'The Man who Walked Between the Towers' by Mordicai Gerstein. We wrote in the first person, putting ourselves into the shoes of a daring French tightrope walker, describing his thinking and emotions. Alongside our writing, we produced some lovely artwork, combining water colour backgrounds and photo collage cityscapes.

In History, we have begun to look at Victorian England and how our country has changed in the years since then. We dove straight into the era with a fabulous day out At Holly Lodge in Richmond Park. There, Date Aleph transformed into Victorian children under the supervision and tutelage of Mrs Saywer, a very strict Victorian school teacher.



Jewish Learning

With new Torah Team members looming, Rosh Hashana, the Sukkah being unboxed again, it is all systems go with Jewish Learning! We have kicked off the Year with our annual Rosh Hashana Project, where we always create something to bring us into the new academic year. This year, we have a beautiful project where each child is represented in Mosaic and displayed on a chosen wall for all to see! Our theme is focusing on 'togetherness' and how great things can be achieved in school (and in the world!) if we stick together! Look out for the final piece displayed in the upcoming term. We also have plans for Torah Team to branch out this year to our local communities and show them how special Mosaic really is and to share special moments like Shabbat with others. A big Shana Tova (Happy New Year) to all and Chag Sameach!



Enrichment Activities

Welcome to Wandsworth Visual Art Project

As part of the London Borough of Culture celebrations, Mosaic School joined nine other schools in the borough last year to take part in the Welcome to Wandsworth Visual Art Project, creating an outdoor exhibition.

Year 3 worked with artist Elyse Blackshaw, a Royal College of Art graduate, who guided them in exploring the question: "What does culture mean to me?" Through the use of colour, symbolism, and collage techniques, each pupil designed unique personal artwork. These individual collages were then scanned and transformed into banners, now proudly displayed along the railings outside Wandsworth Town Hall.



Jeans for Genes 2025

This year, on **Friday 19th September 2025**, we raised money for Jeans for Genes, an annual campaign to support families affected by life-altering genetic conditions in the UK. This involved everyone coming to school decked out in their denim. Thank you to everyone for making donations and helping to support the cause. The donation page is still open: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jeansforgenesday30792>

We raised £92.20!

Parent Webinars

Early Years Autumn Term Schedule

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any of these free local NHS parent webinars

15th Sept 7.00pm-8.00pm



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15TH & 17TH SEPTEMBER

Goodbyes and Goodnights: Building your child's confidence and independence

For nursery/reception
parents & carers

17th Sept 1.00pm-2.00pm



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6th Oct 6.00pm-7.30pm



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6TH OCTOBER & 14TH JANUARY

Feeding and its difficulties in the Early years

For nursery/reception
parents & carers

14th Jan 12.00pm-1.30pm



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18th Nov 1.00pm-2.00pm



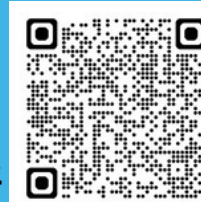
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18TH & 20TH NOVEMBER

Promoting Positive Behaviours

For nursery/reception
parents & carers

20th Nov 6.00pm-7.00pm



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8th Dec 1.00pm-2.00pm



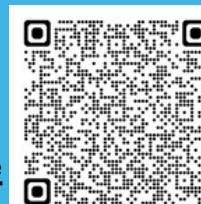
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8TH & 11TH DECEMBER

Building Strong Bonds: How to build Healthy and Secure Attachment/Relationships

For nursery/reception
parents & carers

11th Dec 7.00pm-8.00pm



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29th Sept 7.00pm-8.00pm



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overcoming daily challenges
getting into school**

For all parents & carers

30th Sept 12.00pm-1.00pm



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Part 1

7th Oct 12.00pm-1.00pm



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7TH OCTOBER & 14TH OCTOBER

**Supporting Children with
Common Anxieties or
Worries - a BSL interpreter
will be available**

For Nursery/Reception/
KS1 parents & carers
with a BSL interpreter

Part 2

14th Oct 12.00pm-1.00pm



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21st Oct 7.30pm-8.30pm



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21ST & 23RD OCTOBER

**Supporting big emotions
at home and school -
the zones of regulation**

For all parents & carers

23rd Oct 12.30pm-1.30pm



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Extended Hours: 8:30am; latest collection 4pm

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• Open to Children: aged 5-12 years

• Locations: across Greater London (look right>)

Spooky Science! - New 2025 Activities

Day 1> It's Hallow-Scream!

Dep Sea Monsters!

Weird Shadows!

Coughs and Sneezes!

Day 2: Fang-Tastic Fun!

Jumping Spiders!

Ghastly Greenhouse!

Squishy Cells!

Day 3: Spook-Takular Science!

Forever Autumn!

Pirate Ghost Ship!

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