



SILVERWAYS SCHOOL

Family Bulletin - Autumn 2026

Headteacher's and Deputy Head's Welcome

Dear Families,

It has been a pleasure to get to know some of you already since starting this September and I look forward to building positive relationships with you all as the new Headteacher of Silverways School. We have had a busy and exciting first week back with students and have already taken action on feedback from staff, students and families to make Silverways an even better school.- Mr I Blake - Headteacher



Thank you for such a warm welcome as the new Deputy Head. Both Mr Blake and I look forward to welcoming you to some of the events we have planned this term, but also reach out to us if there is any way we can support you as well. -Ms C Stephenson Deputy Headteacher

New Staff Welcome

We would like to give a warm Silverways welcome to:

Mr I Blake – Headteacher

Ms C Stephenson – Deputy Headteacher

Ms S Reece – English Teacher

Mr T Phillips – Science Teacher

EVENT SCHEDULE

Autumn Term 1 2026

SEP 17

THURSDAY

2.00 – 3.00PM

KS4 SEND Coffee Afternoon

The Enfield SEND Team will be onsite to talk through Post 16 Pathways and support on offer for your child/ward. Please see the letter shared from Dr Bailey SENCO to sign up.

SEP 28

MONDAY

3.00 – 3.30PM

McMillan Charity Bakesale and Cake Competition

We will be holding a charity bake sale to raise money for McMillan Cancer Care. Students will be running a bakesale from 3pm. There will also be a competition for the best cake award too, with prizes given to the top 3 best cakes made by staff and students.

OCT 2

FRIDAY

ALL DAY

Black History Month Drop Down Day

We will be launching our Black History Month Celebrations with a Drop Down Day. This will include a range of workshops that celebrate Black History and Culture.

OCT 22

THURSDAY

2.30 – 5.00PM

Meet the Teachers Evening

This will be a chance for parents and carers to meet with teachers and the therapy team to review the progress made this half term. The afternoon will run from 2.30-5.00pm, with an option for both in person and virtual appointments. Students will finish on this date at 2.00pm this day and we encourage them to join the meetings. More information will be shared closer to the time for how to book.

OCT 24

FRIDAY

Half Term Break

Our last day of the half term will be Friday 24th October and we return to school on Monday 2nd November.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Autumn Term 2 2026

NOV 2
MONDAY

Start of the Half Term

Students will return from the half term break on Monday 2nd November.

NOV 18
WEDNESDAY

2.00 – 3.00PM

Family Forum - Virtual

This is a chance to meet with Mr Blake and be part of our school community and family voice. There will also be a chance to meet with other members of the senior leadership team, who will be on hand to answer any question. More information to sign up virtually will be sent nearer the time.

DEC 11
FRIDAY

1.30 – 2.30PM

Winter Showcase

Students will be demonstrating their creativity through the arts in a Winter Showcase. The afternoon will display pupil artwork, at our Winter Gallery. There will also be festive nibbles and drinks available too, followed by our school talent show. The day will finish for students at 2.30pm on this day.

DEC 16
WEDNESDAY

1.00 – 3.25PM

Student and Staff Festive Feast

All students will be invited to an extended Festive Dinner hosted by our wonderful kitchen team. There will be music to enjoy and festive fun in the afternoon.

DEC 18
FRIDAY

Reports to Families

At the end of term we will be sharing progress reports for all students.

DEC 18
FRIDAY

End of Term

We will be closing at 1.00pm on this day. Students start back on Tuesday 5th January 2027.

KEY INFORMATION



Student Absence

Updates

Attendance is really important to helping our students achieve but we know that sometimes they may become too unwell to attend. If a student is absent, please ensure that you report their absence and details of reason e.g. severe cough, to the admin office by 8.30am, stating the reason for their absence.



Student Rewards System

Following student voice, we will be updating the rewards system we use in school to ensure that students get rewards in real-time for hard work and effort. We hope that this will better link positive choices with rewards, therefore encouraging students to strive for their group and personal rewards more. This will also feature as part of our weekly assemblies too, celebrating the amazing efforts of our students in their lessons, behaviour and attendance.



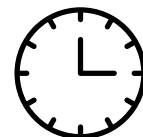
Student Schedules

We have had an update to our secondary pupil timetables and will now be welcoming KS3/4 students in for soft starts and breakfast club from 8.45am. Tutor time will start at 9.05am. We have also made additions to lunch clubs now available for KS3 and KS4, to include film and games clubs, alongside a quiet room and outdoor activities. Please note this will not yet show on Arbor.



Student Punctuality

Being on time is an important skill for our students to develop, however sometimes being late happens. If a student is going to be later than 9.15am, please report this to the admin office by 8.30am.



KEY INFORMATION



Communication with School

We will be sending out a survey to allow you to personalise general communication from the school. This is to give you more say in how we communicate with you, including the type and frequency of communication.



Junior Leadership Team

We will be holding elections after half term to elect new members of the Junior Leadership Team. This is a fantastic opportunity to gain leadership experience and increase student voice.

We also will be giving updated regarding the Jack Petchy Award. This is an award that celebrates the efforts and personal growth of our students, and helps build their life skills.



Student Contact Detail

It is really important that we have the most up to date information on file at all times. Please keep us informed of any changes to:

Telephone numbers
Home addresses
Key contacts



Student Medication

Please keep the admin team updated on any medical changes or updates that may occur. This is to ensure that we are supporting in the best way. All medication must be brought in by an adult to the school office.



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Our school office is open
from 8.00am - 4.00pm

