

# RPS Weekly Newsletter



**Friday 16th December 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

With snow on Monday, it has definitely felt like Christmas this week! The children clearly love playing with snow and enjoyed trying to make a snowman or two!



The children have had a full-on week of festivities, particularly getting ready for the Christmas Fair on Tuesday. They have baked, wrapped and made a multitude of items to sell. The fair was a great success and the money that was raised will be used to pay for events for the children throughout the school year.



I would like to thank all parents, staff and children for their donation and hard work that made this such a successful event and to all the companies that donated goods for the raffle. A special mention to Andreia (typically known as Sophie's mum) who baked up a storm of cakes and goodies for us to sell. Thank you for your kindness and support of the school.



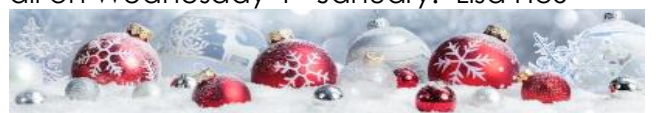
**Christmas Parties:** The children had a lot of fun dressing up for Thursday's Christmas parties. The school was full of fun and cheer all day.

**Father Christmas sent some gifts:** The week was topped off with children watching a special elf performance and receiving a Christmas book to share with their families at home. We do hope you enjoy them. Phew! What a busy week.

**Nexus Academy application:** In other news, we have been informed that the academy order for the River Hill Federation to convert to academy status and join the NEXUS Trust has been approved. There are still some processes and official paperwork to be completed but the projected target date for conversion is the 1st of April 2023. We will continue to keep parents updated on these exciting plans.

**After School Wrap Around Care:** Magna after school club provider has applied for registration with Ofsted to enable them to run the after-school provision at RPS, but the process takes time. In the meantime, the school will continue to provide an interim after school club for the month of January. This is a temporary measure only. Please complete Magna's expression of interest form using this link if you require after school care. [Click here.](#)

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy Holidays to all our families. See you all on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January. Lisa HoS



# Achievement Awards 2022

|           |                |   |
|-----------|----------------|---|
| Turtle    | Elizabeth      | For fantastic progress. She has shown improved attention and behaviour for learning in class. Well done and keep it up!   |
|           | Delillah       | For her positive attitude when completing activities in class. She will join in all activities enthusiastically and has made good progress as a result.   |
| Jellyfish | Ollie          | Ollie has been trying so hard in phonics and has been practising his letter formation very carefully. He has made lots of progress particularly with blending his words.  |
|           | Sapphire       | Sapphire is always willing to participate on the carpet, always willing to learn and has become much more resilient when experiencing disappointment. Well done!  |
| Penguin   | Somto          | Somto has been a superstar all year. If she is playing with friends or sitting on the carpet learning, she is always setting a great example to her friends. Well done, Somto!  |
|           | Jude           | Jude has had a superb first term at RPS. He has settled into our routines and with his new friends he can play new games or revisit old ones. He has also displayed a huge appetite for knowledge impressing me and the other adults. Congratulations Jude!                         |
| Whale     | Gladys-Martyna | For making Excellent progress in her English writing and for trying her hardest at all times. Amazing!  |
|           | Nandana        | For excellent learning and focus at all times and always wanting to challenge himself in his learning.  |
| Seal      | Jamie          | Jamie has worked incredibly hard in all subjects. He has shown particularly good progress in reading and writing and has produced wonderful pieces of work about our topic the Fire of London. Well done!   |
|           | Kodi           | Kodi always takes great pride in his homework. It is always handed in on time and done to the best of his ability. Keep it up Kodi!   |
| Coral     | Urrania        | Urrania recently joined RPS and has made very good progress in reading writing and maths already. She has grown in confidence and is happy to tackle challenges with enthusiasm. She listens carefully in lessons and applies the new concepts she has learned.                     |
|           | Ayla           | This term Ayla has shown tremendous resilience in all areas. She always gives 100% and never gives up even if she finds a task challenging. Ayla is a kind and helpful member of the class and always has a smile for those around her.   |
| Effra     | Annabel        | Annabel is a focussed learner, who wants to do the best she can in all areas of her learning. As a result of her hard work, she has made fantastic progress in all subjects. Keep up the hard work!!  |
|           | Reyaan         | Reyaan always wants to do his best. He puts in 100% effort into all he does and enjoys learning. Reyaan is always willing to help with jobs because he is so thoughtful.  |
| Walbrook  | Roselyn        | Roselyn has made great progress in year 3. She has been trying really hard with her handwriting and English pieces. Roselyn always tries her best to use the prompt sheets and resources to help her when writing. This has really impacted her writing in a positive way.          |
|           | Jayden S       | For his excellent attitude towards his learning. Jaden always demonstrates what a positive learning attitude looks like. He is incredibly resilient and always tries his very best. Jayden always has a smile on his face and is continuously motivating and encouraging his peers. |

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| Ravensbourne | Musa     | Musa has grown in his writing skills. He is participating more in class and offering excellent ideas to help uplevel his writing pieces. I am very proud of his progress and can't wait to see what he achieves next.  |
|              | Lemar    | Lemar has demonstrated a change from a fixed mindset to a growth mindset this term. He has benefitted from this change particularly in English. He is developing an engaging style, while accepting guidance with new strategies.  |
| Wandle       | Maqdis   | For being a positive presence in class, showing exemplary behaviour and being kind and respectful always.  |
|              | Mahad    | Improved attitude to his learning from the start of the term. He is now approaching learning with a can-do attitude and has made great progress as a consequence.  |
| Fleet        | Andrew   | Andrew is a leader and positive role model for all pupils. He has incredible self-discipline and always gets his work done in a timely manner. Andrew reads extensively for enjoyment and is a gifted writer.  |
|              | Amelia   | For her positive attitude towards every subject. Amelia has become more confident in class and regularly contributes to class discussions. Amelia strives to reach her full potential and generates neat and careful work. She has created many impressive home learning projects and shown a real flair for art. Keep up the hard work! |
| Thames       | Daniel   | This Autumn term has been extremely rewarding one for Daniel as he has displayed great resilience in all areas of learning - particularly in mathematics. His determination and dedication to success is commendable. Well done!   |
|              | Zara     | Throughout this term, Zara has only ever displayed exemplary behaviour for learning which is marked by her genuine respect for her peers and adults. Unfailingly polite she sets and excellent example for all.  |
| Lea          | Rosianna | Rosianna has worked very hard in writing and especially Maths making very good progress. She shows resilience when faced with challenges. Well done! Keep up the good work Rosianna!   |
|              | Rahma    | Rahma is new to our school and joined this year. She is a very good role model for her peers and shows endurance and resilience in her work. I am very impressed with your attitude towards your learning Rahma.   |

## Starting Reception in 2023?

If you or your friends have a child born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, they will start Reception in September 2023. Parents can request a tour by contacting the school office.

To help you make your choice for your child's first steps onto their school learning journey, we have created a video of our Early Years learning environment for you. [Click here.](#)

Parents must apply online for Reception places. The deadline for applications to be completed is the **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**. For more information about applying for a school please read the Southwark brochure on our website.

<https://rotherhitheprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Starting-Primary-School-in-Southwark-Brochure-2023-24.pdf>

# Dates for your Diary

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| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>                  | Inset Day/ staff training   |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> January</b>                  | <b>Children return to school</b>  |
| <b>9<sup>th</sup> January</b>                  | World Religion Day  |
| <b>16<sup>th</sup> January</b>                 | Martin Luther King Day  |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> January</b>                 | Hello Planet Workshops for years 3/4/5 and 6.                                 |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>                 | Ravensbourne Science Museum trip<br>Lunar New Year!                           |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> January</b>                 | Effra class trip – Ancient Egyptians  |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> February</b>                 | Year 6 Southwark Junior Citizenship workshop– Year 6                          |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup> February</b>                 | Internet Safety Day<br>Walbrook Class trip – Ancient Egyptians                |
| <b>9<sup>th</sup> February</b>                 | Height and Weight Check<br>Reception to year 6                                |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> February</b>                | Break up for half term  |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> February</b>                | <b>Children return to school</b>  |
| <b>21<sup>st</sup> February</b>                | Diversity Role Models workshops   |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>                | Inclusion Quality Mark Review   |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> February</b>                | Year 2 mock SATs week   |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b> | Parent's Evening  |
| <b>Week starting 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>      | Year 6 Mock SATs  |
| <b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>                    | World Book Day  |
| <b>Week starting 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>     | British Science Week  |
| <b>17<sup>th</sup> March</b>                   | Dress up as you favourite Scientist or science inspired costume               |
| <b>21<sup>st</sup> March</b>                   | World Poetry Day  |
| <b>Week starting 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>     | Poetry Week   |
| <b>31<sup>st</sup> March</b>                   | Easter Bonnet Parade<br>Achievement Awards<br><br>Early school closure at 2pm |

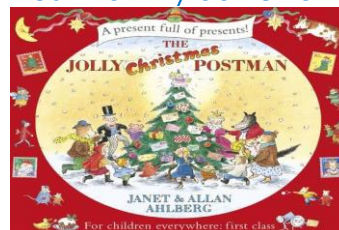
## Thought of the Week

The more you praise and celebrate your life,  
the more there is in life to celebrate.  
Oprah Winfrey

## Teacher Book Recommendations

**Teacher:** Emily Bayjoo-Kassam

**Favourite Book:** The Jolly Christmas Postman  
By Janet and Allan Ahlberg



This is a rhyming story about the jolly postman who rides around on his bicycle delivering letters to well-known story characters.

He visits The Bears, Little Red Riding hood, Humpty Dumpty and even Father Christmas! At each house there is an envelope in the book to open and the reader can look at the letters, books and games that are sent in the post.

I love how interactive and funny the story is. A family must have in any Christmas stocking!

**The Southwark Food Action Alliance** is a resource for anyone who cannot afford to buy food or cannot access food by applying to crisis support, find ways to increase their money or by using local food banks, community pantries or low-cost food options. If you are unable to afford enough food, there is support available in Southwark.

Free and confidential advice and support is available, including for those who are refugees, asylum seekers or have NRPF. There is also help to make sure that you're getting all the money that you are entitled to as well as vouchers to help pregnant women and parents of young children to afford healthy food. You can contact the alliance by completing the Southwark Community Support online referral or by emailing [communitysupportalliance@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:communitysupportalliance@southwark.gov.uk) or by Telephoning them on 020 7525 5000 and choosing option 3.



**Parent Skills2Go**

# FREE FOOD, FUN AND A GIFT FROM SANTA FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

**0-10 years**

**at Lewington Centre 5  
Eugenia Road  
Rotherhithe, SE16 2RU**

**10AM - 2PM**

**Starting on Monday  
DECEMBER  
19 - 22**

**PLEASE NOTE: Families need to attend at least 2 days to receive a gift from Santa!**

**Activities**  
Monday 19th - Theatre show (Blue Elephant)  
Tuesday 20th - arts and crafts, Christmas show,  
Wednesday 21st - Fun activities & Santa  
Thursday 22nd Theatre show (Theatre Peckham)

For Inquiries  
**07902332905  
07725818283**

**www.parentskills2go.org  
admin@parentskills2go.com**

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ART AND ARTISTS WHAT'S ON PLAN YOUR VISIT

## FAMILIES AT TATE

Welcome to Tate! Make noise in our galleries. After you've enjoyed some art, there are plenty of places to stop and eat or have a break and you can breastfeed wherever you like. Buggies are always welcome.

Families play in the Turbine Hall at Tate Modern

Pick up a free sketchbook at any of our galleries, like this family at Tate Liverpool!

Not sure what to do this holiday... why not take you family to one of the Tate galleries. They have lots of free family activities. Click on the link below to find out what is on.  
<https://www.tate.org.uk/visit/families-at-tate>

# Parenthood...

The most rewarding job in the world

And also the toughest

Need some advice about your child's behaviour or emotions?

Contact YoungMinds' Parents Helpline  
**0808 802 5544**  
[youngminds.org.uk/parents](http://youngminds.org.uk/parents)

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**0808 802 5544**  
[youngminds.org.uk](http://youngminds.org.uk)  
Mon-Fri 9.30am-4pm

# YOUNGMINDS

## Snowy Joy & The Griots

A Contemporary CULTURAL, FESTIVE Storytelling Experience for ages **For Ages 6+**

**SNOWY JOY & THE GRIOTS** This is no Ordinary Show! Oozing from the leaves of realistic, fantasy – SNOWY JOY (2019) written by Sade Fadipe and adapted for drama and musicality by Margaret Omoniyi is a truly cultural, festive, Storytelling experience for Families.

**Date:** 17th Dec 2022  
**Time:** 3-5pm  
Adult only £5.00 / Child's Ticket £2.50 Family Ticket (1 Adult & up to 3 Children) £10

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/snowy-joy-the-griots-a-tale-of-kindness-refuge-tickets-469863463267>





**Cllr Evelyn Akoto**  
Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing  
Old Kent Road Ward

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Southwark Council  
P.O. Box 64529  
London SE1P 5LX

[charlotte.pollins@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:charlotte.pollins@southwark.gov.uk)

Date: 06 December 2022

Dear Parents/ Carer

**RE: Southwark's Winter of Food and Fun, 2022**

I'm delighted to let you know that this winter, Southwark Council will be hosting Southwark's Winter of Food and Fun.

We are partnering with local holiday club providers across the borough to provide an exciting programme of meals and activities for children and young people in our local communities. Free places are available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are eligible for free school meals.

The programme wants to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the winter holidays.

Each programme will provide:

- Free, healthy and tasty food
- Fun physical activity sessions
- A wide range of other activities to suit different ages and personalities
- Opportunities to learn more about food and nutrition for children and families

Details about the programme are available at [www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun)

I encourage you to book a place for your child/children to ensure they have an enjoyable and memorable winter holiday period.

Best wishes

Yours Sincerely,

**Cllr Evelyn Akoto**  
Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing

**Southwark's**  
**WINTER**  
**OF FOOD AND FUN**

Activity programme for  
children and young people

**19 December –**  
**30 December 2022**

[www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun)

Funded by  
  
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for Education



## Contact our providers to sign up

### North East Southwark

#### CITY HOPE YOUTH

- Ages: 11 to 17
- City Hope Church, 121 Drummond Road, SE16 3UL
- 07305 163 038
- [kwame@cityhope.london](mailto:kwame@cityhope.london)  
[www.cityhope.co.uk](http://www.cityhope.co.uk)

#### MILLWALL COMMUNITY WINTER FOOD AND ACTIVITY CAMP

- Ages: 5 to 16
- Site 1: Lions Centre, Bolina Road, SE16 3LD
- Site 2: St Paul's Sports Ground, Salter Road, Rotherhithe, SE16 5EF
- 07903 245 058
- [tsells@millwallcommunity.org.uk](mailto:tsells@millwallcommunity.org.uk)  
[www.millwallcommunity.org.uk](http://www.millwallcommunity.org.uk)

#### PARENT SKILLS2GO & LITTLEPEOPLE'S WORLD

- Ages: 4 to 16
- Lewington Community Centre, 9 Eugenia Road, SE16 2RU
- 07725 818 283  
07507 443 737
- [admin@parentskills2go.com](mailto:admin@parentskills2go.com)  
[www.parentskills2go.com](http://www.parentskills2go.com)

#### PRO TOUCH SA

- Ages: 6 to 14
- Site 1: City of London Academy Sports Hall, 238 St James's Road, SE1 5LJ
- 07729 826 911
- [southwark@protouchsa.co.uk](mailto:southwark@protouchsa.co.uk)

#### TIME & TALENTS

- Ages: 6 to 11
- The Old Mortuary, St Marychurch Street, SE16 4JE
- 020 7231 7845
- [georgiaheales@timeandtalents.org.uk](mailto:georgiaheales@timeandtalents.org.uk)  
[www.timeandtalents.org.uk](http://www.timeandtalents.org.uk)

### North West Southwark

#### FAST 58 HUB

- Ages: 5 to 16
- Roundhouse Hall, Cardinal Bourne Street, SE1 4EJ
- 07073 311 684
- [dwalsh1503@gmail.com](mailto:dwalsh1503@gmail.com)  
[www.fast58.org.uk](http://www.fast58.org.uk)

#### MERCATO METROPOLITANO

- Ages: 8 to 12
- 42 Newington Causeway, SE1 6DR
- 07542 783 364
- [serena.b@mercatoimperial.com](mailto:serena.b@mercatoimperial.com)  
[www.mercatoimperial.com](http://www.mercatoimperial.com)

#### SPORTSCOOL SOUTHWARK HOLIDAY CLUB

- Ages: 4 to 10
- Christ Church Southwark, 27 Blackfriars Road, SE1 8NY
- 07498 477 355
- [natalie@sportscool.org](mailto:natalie@sportscool.org)  
[www.sportscool.org](http://www.sportscool.org)

## East Central Southwark

#### ANGELS BREAKFAST AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

- Ages: 4 to 13
- Site 1: Pelican Plus Hall, Crane House, Grumant Road, Pelican Estate, SE15 5NF
- Site 2: Parish Church of St Luke's, Chandler Way, SE15 6DT
- 07957 472 504
- [angelsbreakfastafterschoolclub@gmail.com](mailto:angelsbreakfastafterschoolclub@gmail.com)

#### ASTLEY & COOPER TENANTS' AND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (TRA)

- Ages: 8 to 16
- ASCO TRA Community Centre, 375 Old Kent Road, Wessex House, SE1 5JQ
- 07780 383 563
- [secretaryascotra@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryascotra@gmail.com)

#### CAC SURREY DOCKS COMMUNITY WELFARE HUB

- Ages: 4 to 16
- Christ Apostolic Church (CAC) Surrey Docks, 163 Ilderton Road, South Bermondsey, SE16 3LA
- 07582 332 243
- [communitywelfare@cac-surreydocks.org](mailto:communitywelfare@cac-surreydocks.org)  
[www.cac-surreydocks.org/community-welfare](http://www.cac-surreydocks.org/community-welfare)

#### CAMELOT CHAMPS

- Ages: 4 to 11
- Camelot School, Bird in Bush Road, SE15 1QP
- 07512 514 833
- [iali@camelot.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:iali@camelot.southwark.sch.uk)

#### HOLLYDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

- Ages: 5 to 12
- Hollydale Primary School, Hollydale Road, SE15 2AR
- 020 7639 2562
- [admin@hollydaleprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@hollydaleprimary.co.uk)

#### MILLWALL COMMUNITY WINTER FOOD AND ACTIVITY CAMP

- Ages: 5 to 16
- Bradfield Youth Club, 5-13 Commercial Way, SE15 6DQ
- 07903 245 058
- [tsells@millwallcommunity.org.uk](mailto:tsells@millwallcommunity.org.uk)  
[www.millwallcommunity.org.uk](http://www.millwallcommunity.org.uk)

#### PARENT SKILLS2GO & LITTLEPEOPLE'S WORLD

- Ages: 4 to 16
- The Green Community Centre, 5 Nunhead Green, SE15 3QQ
- 07725 818 283  
07507 443 737
- [admin@parentskills2go.com](mailto:admin@parentskills2go.com)  
[www.parentskills2go.com](http://www.parentskills2go.com)

#### PECKHAM, PECKHAM RYE AND NUNHEAD CHILDREN AND FAMILY CENTRES

- Ages: 4 to 11
- Leyton Square Children and Family Centre, Malsmore Street, SE15 6TP
- 020 3848 5780
- [aingrassia@ivydale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:aingrassia@ivydale.southwark.sch.uk)  
[www.pprncfc.com](http://www.pprncfc.com)

## West Central Southwark

### ACTIVITIES 4 U

- Ages: 8 to 16
- South Bank University,  
Trafalgar Street, SE17 2TP
- 020 7735 8181
- admin@activities4u.org.uk  
www.activities4u.org.uk

### BRANDON TENANTS' AND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (TRA)

- Ages: 6 to 16
- Rachel Leigh Community Hall,  
32 Andrews Walk, SE17 3JQ
- 07523 943 819
- youngadvisors@southwark.gov.uk

### BURGESS SPORTS

- Ages: 5 to 16
- Surrey Square Primary School,  
Surrey Square, SE17 2JY
- 07458 302 333
- afuja@burgesssports.org  
www.burgesssports.org

### JAEGAR HOLIDAY CLUB

- Ages: 4 to 11
- Lyndhurst Primary School  
Grove Lane, SE5 8SN
- 020 3576 0715
- info@jaegarhc.co.uk  
www.jaegarhc.co.uk

### MILLWALL COMMUNITY WINTER FOOD AND ACTIVITY CAMP

- Ages: 5 to 16
- Bethwin Road Adventure Playground,  
Bethwin Road, SE5 0YY
- 07903 245 058
- tsells@millwallcommunity.org.uk  
www.millwallcommunity.org.uk

### PARENT SKILLS2GO & LITTLEPEOPLE'S WORLD

- Ages: 8 to 16
- St Matthews Church,  
Lilford Road, SE5 9HY
- 07725 818 283  
07507 443 737
- admin@parentskills2go.com  
www.parentskills2go.com

### SPRING COMMUNITY HUB HOLIDAY CLUBS

- Ages: 4 to 16
- Site 1: St Giles Parish Hall,  
161 Benhill Road, SE5 7LL
- Site 2: St Georges C of E Primary School,  
Coleman Road, SE5 7TF
- Site 3: St Paul's Church, Lorrimore Square,  
Lorrimore Road, SE17 3QU
- Site 4: Special Education Needs and  
Disabilities (SEND) Programme, UAL  
Foundation, Modular Building,  
1 Wilson Road, SE5 8LU
- Site 5: Teens Programme, United Reform  
Church, Love Walk, SE5 8AE
- Site 6: The Clubroom, Samuel Lewis  
Trust Estate, Warner Road, SE5 9LY
- 07988 138 997
- holidayclub@springcommunityhub.org.uk  
www.csclub.co.uk

## South Southwark

### KINGSWOOD ESTATE TENANTS' AND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (TRA)

- Ages: 4 to 16
- Ketra Community Hall, Telfer House,  
Seeley Drive, Kingswood Estate, SE21 8QW
- 07958 064 597
- ketracommunity@gmail.com  
www.kingswoodestatetra.org

### MOMIES WORLD

- Ages: 4 to 12
- Christ Church, 263 Barry Road, SE22 0JT
- momiesworld@gmail.com

### SPRING COMMUNITY HUB HOLIDAY CLUBS

- Ages: 4 to 16
- Site 1: Amott Road Baptist Church,  
47 Amott Road, SE15 4HU
- Site 2: Dawson Heights Community  
Centre, Ladlands, Dawson Heights Estate,  
SE22 0PW
- 07988 138 997
- holidayclub@springcommunityhub.org.uk  
www.csclub.co.uk

See the listings to choose the best club for your child. Please book a place with your chosen provider as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

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southwark.gov.uk

## Learning With Parents (LWP)

As parents you are your children's first teacher. Learning With Parents is a great interactive homework program that encourages mathematic learning through a range of practical activities around the home. Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 have access to this platform. If you haven't accessed the program with your child yet, please do. Speak to your child's teacher if you require any further advice or assistance.

LWP are running their Winter Winners competition once more. Please see on the right for what you need to do to get involved.

I look forward to seeing who earns a certificate after the Christmas holidays.



## Winter Winners Competition!



### What do you need to do?

Complete at least **one activity for every topic** set for you on Learning with Parents this term.

### When do you need to complete them by?

Friday 6th January

### What do you win?

A certificate and a virtual trophy!



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