

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 21st April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break. Spring has arrived! It was lovely welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday. Already it has been a very busy week and there are lots of exciting events occurring throughout the term.

Today, children from Fleet class went back in time as they set off on a school adventure. They visited the **Ragged School Museum** in Mile End, London. Housed in what was once London's biggest Ragged School, this popular, family-friendly museum welcomes people of all ages to discover the downside of Victorian life.

The Museum offers, through role-play, hands-on exhibits and talks, an authentic and memorable experience of what it was like for poor children in a Victorian school. The children took part in a school lesson as it would have been taught more than 100 years ago. They used chalk boards to write and there was not a smile offered from the very strict teacher. Thankfully no one received the cane! Actually, they were brilliantly behaved.



Kings Coronation: RPS will be celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III on Friday the 5th of June with a whole school picnic. Children will take part in a variety of activities to commemorate this special occasion. You can see the menu below. If your child does not normally have a school dinner and they would like to have a picnic lunch provided by the school, please let the office know by Wednesday 26th April so that the kitchen can cater for the correct number of pupils.

Strike Action: I am sure you have heard about the proposed strike by the NEU on the Thursday 27th April. RPS will be fully open to all pupils on Thursday 27th April.

Academy Update: Due to outstanding paperwork, which is required from the local authority, our academy conversion date has been delayed until the 1st of June.

Eid Mubarak to all of our families celebrating Eid this Weekend from all staff and children at Rotherhithe Primary School. To find out more about Eid and the many celebrations that take place during this holy time [click here](#).

Safeguarding: Are you considering leaving your child home alone? It is advised that children should be 12 years old before leaving them on their own at home. Please see the attached link to the NSPCC website that provides advice and guidance for parents. [Click here](#).

I hope you have a fun filled weekend. Lisa (HoS)

Exhibition Express

Rotherhithe Primary School's Art Ambassador's Newsletter

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Hello, I hope you had an amazing Easter Holiday. This week, the year 4/5's did some DT Projects using Spaghetti and tape to make sturdy bridges using shapes such as triangles, straight lines and squares. They used instructions from a video to make these extraordinary structures. Here are some photos.



Here are some photos



A few of the year 3's have made some plant pots and bird feeders using plastic bottles as apart of the Design And Technology sustainability Easter Project. Here are some photos of their amazing projects.



In year 1 the students in Whale class have done some art of their own using water colours.



In year 6 some of the students in Thames class have made plant pots and bird feeders using recycled Apple Juice bottles and string.



QUIZ: ART JOKE CHALLENGE!

Think you're funny? Can you guess the punch lines to these art jokes?

What do you call an artist with a bad cold?

We love cycling! Year 3

Bikeability

This week, the team from Bikeability have been running some exciting workshops for year 3 children to help them improve their confidence and skills when riding a bicycle.

Bikeability is the Department for Transport's flagship national cycle training programme for school children in England, so we are very pleased they are working with our children!

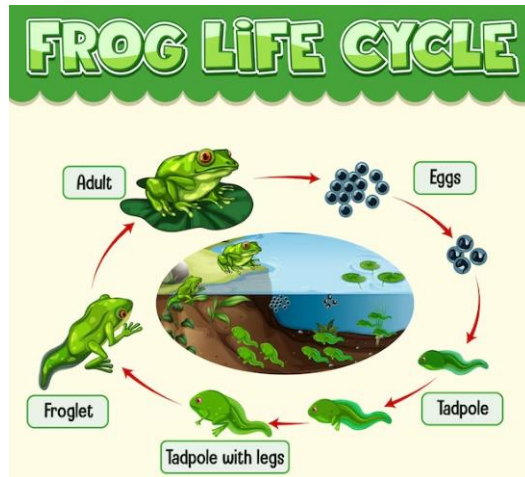
This practical training programme provides school children with the skills to cycle confidently and competently on today's roads. The year 3 children were very engaged and really enjoyed it. Actually, they keep talking about it! What a great success! Thank you to Kealan for organising these workshops for the children.



Forest School Springs to life!

As the weather has been lifting over the past few days, the Forest School Children have had even more opportunity to experience some exciting outdoor learning.

The children were very excited to take a closer look at frogs as they follow their growth cycle from frog spawn to Tadpoles through to fully formed frogs!



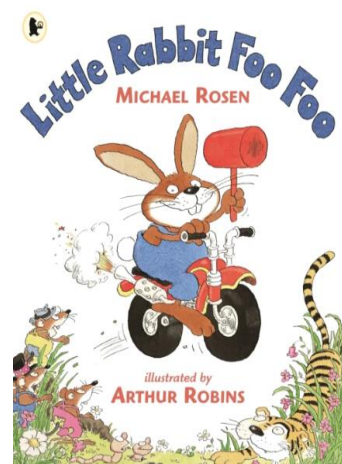
Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 18th April	Children return to school
19th April	Bike ability – Year 3
28th April	Ragged School Museum Trip Wandle and Ravensbourne classes Debate mate trip.
1st May	Bank Holiday Monday KS1 SATs window opens
5th May	Coronation picnic
8th May	Bank Holiday Kings Coronation
Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May	Year 6 SATs
12-26th May	Year 2 SATs
15th May	Bike ability – year 4 & 5
16th May	Year 6 Equaliteach Workshops
19th May	Year 6 Kooth Workshop
22nd May-26th May	Year 6 Condoval Hall residential trip
26th May	London History Day Break up for half term
	Half term
5th & 6th June	Rope making workshop year 4 & 5
7th June	Year 6 Travel Training bus (for 10 children)
Week beginning 12th June	Year 1 Phonics screening check & Year 4 Multiplication check to be administered
26th June Onwards	Be healthy month starts
28th June	Year 3 Horniman trip
30th June	Summer Fair
Week beginning 3rd July	Art week
11th July	Year 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day
12th July	Years 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day
13th July	Year 6 Prom Early years Sports Day.
19th July	Year 6 graduation at 11:30 am Break up for the summer holidays at 2 pm

Teacher Book Recommendations

Teaching Assistant: Charlene Allen

Favourite Book: Little Rabbit Foo Foo by
Michael Rosen



I love reading this funny rhythmic book about a cheeky rabbit who has to learn the hard way that he has a bad attitude and being unkind to others is not acceptable.

The illustrations are so beautiful, even that of the goonie!

Once you pick the book up you will not want to put it down.

You can also sing along to the rhythm of this book. Why not sing along with videos online: [Click here.](#)

Attendance Matters

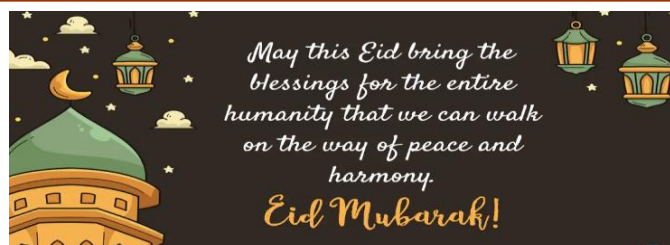
This week's winners of the attendance award.

**Ravensbourne
Class** 90.8%

Coral Class 88.9%

Well done and keep it up!

**Please do not book holidays during
term time!**





Whale	Amarni	Amarni has done exceptionally well this week in Whale Class. He has made an excellent improvement in his writing and has improved his focus and concentration during carpet time. Keep it up.
Coral	Ava	Ava has made tremendous progress in Reading and English. In Reading, Ava is applying skills learnt to answer retrieval questions. Ava has also shown independence in her writing and uses phonics to help her sound out tricky words. Keep it up!
Seal	Ruben	Ruben for his fantastic attitude in Maths this week. We have been learning about mass. He has worked fantastically well with his peers and supported them when they have needed help.
Effra	Iman	Iman has been really engaged with the RE and History learning this week. She has asked thoughtful questions and shared interesting facts about her religion which has contributed to the learning of all the children in class.
Walbrook	Roselyn	Roselyn has been extremely resilient in improving her swimming abilities, she has made amazing progress and has overcome challenges. Her strive and dedication has helped her become a fantastic swimmer. Well done!
Ravensbourne	Maya	Maya has worked incredibly hard in Maths. Her confidence has grown, and it has been wonderful to witness. I'm so proud of her accomplishments as she has proven to herself that 'hard work pays off'.
Wandle	Cameron	Cameron made some excellent contributions during our introductory lessons of our Greek Myths unit this week. He also made a fantastic Theseus in our acting out of the myth Theseus and the Minotaur!
Fleet	Ryan	For showing great improvement in his maturity when solving problems with classmates. Ryan has also displayed enthusiasm and a willingness to learn. Keep it up Ryan!
Lea	Yazan	For improving his English writing and always taking on the advice he is given to improve. He loves PE and any physical activities. Well done, Yazan.
Thames	Daniel and Mihran	For embracing the DT homework project enthusiastically and re-purposing recyclable materials. Well done!





Dear Parent/Guardian,

Surrey Cricket Foundation, England Cricket Board and Southwark Council would like to offer your Child an opportunity to be a part of a bespoke All Stars cricket programme this summer.

The Southwark Park - All Stars & Dynamos cricket programme is **fully funded** by Surrey Cricket Foundation & supported by Southwark Council and as such will be **FREE** to all participants.

Important – Use the **DISCOUNT PROMO CODE** from the table below.

The **All Stars** Cricket is an entry level national programme aimed at **5–8 year olds**. The sessions run every **Saturday 10.00pm – 10.45pm** at Southwark Park SE16 2ET for **8 weeks** from **13 May** until **1 July**.

Each child signed up for All Stars will receive a **personalised t-shirt** plus a bag, **bat** and ball.

The **Dynamos Cricket** is an entry level national programme aimed at **9–11 year olds**. The sessions run every **Saturday 11.00pm – 12.00pm** at Southwark Park SE16 2ET for **8 weeks** from **10 June** until **29 July**.

Each child signed up for Dynamos will receive a **personalised t-shirt**.

For the **All Stars** programme, children will also receive a booklet so they can complete activities and challenges. The sessions are fun with lots of batting, bowling, **throwing** and catching, run by Coaches from the Surrey Cricket Foundation and local volunteers.

To register click one of the links below and use the **DISCOUNT PROMO CODE** when booking your place.

It is important you do not share this link as there are only a select number of places available.

All Stars	Dynamos
Southwark Park 10 June - 29 July 10.00am – 10.45am	Southwark Park 10 June - 29 July 11.00am – 12.00am
Sign-up GIRLS	Sign-up GIRLS
Sign-up BOYS	Sign-up BOYS
All Stars PROMO CODE: 2XLGMP	Dynamos PROMO CODE: 5XAD32

Yours Sincerely,

Kim Price - allstars@surreyccricket.com / 07500950517

Surrey Cricket Foundation,
Kia Oval, London, SE11 5SS



CELEBRATE THE KING'S CORONATION

6TH MAY
2023

SANDWICHES

Tuna and Cucumber
Cucumber and Cream Cheese
Vegan Mini Sausage Rolls

SIDES

Potato Wedges
Garlic Dough Balls
Carrot and Cucumber Batons

DESSERTS

Victoria Sponge Cake
Vanilla Ice Cream

Served Friday 5 May 2023



Southwark Children and Family Centres
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe



Spring Timetable 17th April-26th May

We are now operating a system on first come, first served basis with a limited capacity in each centre.
A few sessions still require a booking so please check our timetable and email us to book on

ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk



Monday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Baby Massage (8 weeks old- pre-crawlers) Booking Required

Dates: 15th May, 22nd May, 5th June and 12th June (4 weeks)

Times: 10am-11:15am

Baby massage promotes bonding and attachment, and helps to boost a baby's immune system, reduce stress, relieve colic, and encourage sleep.

Boogie Mites (12 months and above)

1:30pm-2:15pm
Music programme to support children's language, brain development, physical, social, and emotional development.

Venue: Rotherhithe

Stay and Play (1-5 years)

10am-11:30am
Learning and developing through play and fun stimulating activities by exploring, being creative and active. Our team on hand to support you with any queries.

Bookstart Sessions

Bookstart (0-5 years) Term Time Only

10am-11:30am
Have fun bringing stories alive through storytelling, arts and crafts and register with the library.

WHERE:

Canada Water Library

21 Surrey Quays Rd, SE16 7AR

Blue Anchor Library

Market Place, London, SE16 3UQ

Tuesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Boogie Mites (12 months and above)

10am-10:45am

Music programme to support children's language, brain development, physical, social, and emotional development.

New Time

SENsational Stay and Play (0-5 years)

1:30pm-3:00pm Booking Required
A fun and playful session that encourages the development of early attention and social communication skills for children with additional and special educational needs such as Autism, Global Developmental Delay, Social Communication Delay, ADHD, social anxiety, and any other needs.

Wednesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Stay and Play (1-5 years)

10am-11:30am

Learning and developing through play and fun stimulating activities by exploring, being creative and active. Our team on hand to support you with any queries.

Chattertime (18 months-5 years)

1:30pm-3:00pm Booking Required

A session for children with speech and language concerns only. This group is planned to encourage the development of early communication skills through play with a top tip every week and support from a Speech and Language Therapist.

Venue: Pilgrims Way

Bookstart (0-5 years) Term Time Only

10am-11:30am
Have fun bringing stories alive through storytelling, arts and crafts and register with the library.

Thursday

Venue: Ellen Brown

No sessions on 27th April

Baby and Me (birth up to 12 months)

10:00am-11:30am

Join this relaxed session and have an opportunity to bond, play and have fun with your baby and meet other parents.

Boogie Mites (0-12 months)

1:30pm-2:15pm

Music programme to support children's language, brain development, physical and social and emotional development.

Venue: Rotherhithe

Breastfeeding Café Drop in

10am-12:00pm

A session offering information and practical support for pregnant and breastfeeding mums and their families.

Venue: Pilgrims Way

Melodies 4 Mums (Invitation Only)

Dates: 11th May-13th July (10 week programme)

Time: 1:30pm-2:30pm

Contact the centre for more details.

Venue: Ellen Brown

Starting Solids Workshop Booking Required

Date: 19th May

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Delivered by Health Visiting Service for babies around 6 months starting solids foods.

Contact:

ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk

Friday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Baby Explorers (12 months-24 months)

10:00am-11:30am

An opportunity for you and your child to play together and actively explore the environment through stimulating learning opportunities.

Venue: Rotherhithe

Boogie Mites

Music programme to support children's language, brain development, physical and social and emotional development.

Times: 10am-10:30am

Ages: 0-12 months

Times: 11:15am-11:45am

Ages: 12 months and above

Speech and Language Additional Support

Are you concerned about your child's communication skills? Contact us to book an appointment for the WellComm session to receive one to one support and advice on next steps.

Email:

ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk

Speech and Language Drop in Dates:

Meet a speech and language therapist for advice and tips:

Wednesday 19th April- Stay and Play at Ellen Brown

Monday 22nd May- Bookstart at Canada Water Library

Wednesday 28th June- Bookstart at Pilgrims Way

Friday 7th July- Baby Explorers at Ellen Brown

Spring Timetable 17th April-26th May

Speech and Language support

Virtual Chattertime and Drop In Sessions

Are you worried that your child is not talking or doesn't understand you? Do you have questions or concerns about your child's communication skills? Please book onto a virtual session with a speech and language therapist

To book on, email: gst-tr.contacts@nhs.net

Website:

www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/communityspeechandlanguage

Facebook: @EvelinaSLT



Free Vitamin D

Pregnant women, new mums, and children under four in the borough can get free vitamin D supplements.



HENRY Programme

This programme aims to help you feel more confident as a parent, physical activities for the little ones, what children and the whole family eats, family lifestyle habits and enjoying life as a family.

For more information, please visit

<https://www.henry.org.uk/>

To book please email:

gst-tr.hvsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net



Rose Vouchers

Support to buy fresh fruit and vegetables for low-income families and living in SE1, SE5 or SE17

If you wish to register to please phone 0207 358 2878 or email ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk



Our registration form is now available to complete on our website

<https://br-cc.org.uk/>

Please complete this if you are new to attending our Children and Family and Centres.

We have gone paperless to help save the environment.

Please scan the QR Code to download the timetable and sign up to our mailing list and be the first to know everything that is happening in the Children and Family Centre.



50 Things To Do Before Five!

Download the app or visit the website for free fun activities to do with your child and have fun, play, and learn.

Website: <https://50thingstodo.org/>



Dolly Parton Imagination Library

If you live in Southwark and have a child under 5, you can register to receive a FREE book every month until their 5th birthday. Sign up and make bedtime fun.

For more information please email:

ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk



Contact us!

Ellen Brown Children and Family Centre

145 Grange Road (Spa Park) SE1 3EU

Pilgrims Way Children and Family Centre

Tustin Estate, Manor Grove, SE15 1EF

Rotherhithe Children and Family Centre

Southwark Park (Hawkstone Road entrance) SE16 2PF

South Bermondsey Children and Family Centre

Tenda Road, SE16 3PN

Telephone: 0207 358 2878

ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk

Please visit our websites for further information

<http://br-cc.org.uk/br-cc/>

