

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 26th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Monday was **Stephen Lawrence Commemoration Day** and in assembly, we remembered the importance of treating all people with kindness and respect. We considered the importance of having a voice and speaking out against racism. The children who met with Sir Keir Starmer and Baroness Doreen Lawrence were awarded a Head Teacher Award and celebrated for their services on behalf of the school. They were also given a copy of the Daily Mirror newspaper as they made the front page of this national newspaper on Monday.



Last week's visit has been made into a beautiful video of our children speaking eloquently with our special visitors. [Click here to watch.](#)

Speak Out. Stay Safe. Children in year 1 to 6 listened to a special NSPCC assembly delivered by Kealan this week. The assembly focussed on teaching the children about different forms of abuse including bullying. It taught the children to recognise signs of abuse and how to protect themselves. This included who to talk to and the sources of help available to them including Childline. The number for Childline is 0800 1111. The children were introduced to a mascot called Buddy who helped explain their rights to:

1. Speak out and have their views taken seriously
2. Be kept safe
3. Get help when they need it.



On Thursday children in years 5 & 6 took part in workshops delivered by Sarah from the NSPCC. She went through the topics covered in assembly in more detail. She was incredibly impressed by the behaviour and maturity of our children and their thoughtful comments. We are all very proud of our children at RPS. They are a credit to us all.



I hope you have a wonderful weekend. Lisa HoS

Dates for your Diary

29th April	Kings College Dental visit for some Reception and Nursery children Honeybee assembly
2nd May	Maths parent workshop – supporting children with additional need
9th May	Pedestrian training for year 3 children
13th May	Year 6 SATS week starts
20th May	Spanish Dress up day Year 6 Residential trip to Hindleap Warren
24th May	National Literacy Trust reading event for years 1 & 2
24th May	Break up for half term
Week starting 10th June	Phonics screening check for year 1 Multiplication check for year 4 Bikeability for year 5
14th June	Class photographs
20th June	Apiary visit – Science and Gardening ambassadors
25th June	Summer Reading event for KS1
28th June	Rainbow Dress up Day
1st July	Year 6 Bikeability
5th July	Bike Market and the Summer Fair
Week starting 8th July	Sports day events
11th July	Year 6 Prom
15th July	Meet your new class teacher
19th July	Year 6 graduation at 11:30 am Class parties Break up for the holidays

Attendance Matters

This week's winners of the attendance award.



Seal Class 97.3%

Eden Class 98.1%

Well done and keep it up!
Please do not book holidays during term time!

Pupil Book Recommendations

Pupil: Isata (Seal Class)

Book: Clean Up!

Author: Nathan Bryon



Rocket visits her grandparents on a Caribbean Island and is shocked by the plastic pollution on the beach that is spoiling their lovely island home. Can she do anything about it?

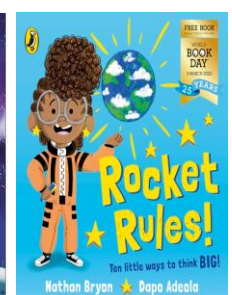
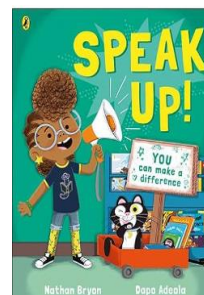
The characters in this book are Grammy, Grampy, Rocket, Jamal and Mum. I like the part when Rocket was cleaning up. More people came and joined in the cleaning up.

I think this book shows that when you work as a team you can change the world.

I would give this book a 5-star rating.



Other books by Nathan Bryon you can enjoy.



**EDUCATION IS THE KEY
TO UNLOCKING THE WORLD.
IT IS THE PASSPORT TO FREEDOM.**

- Oprah Winfrey

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Star of the Week

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Whale	Maivili	Maivili has had a fantastic week. She has been trying her best with writing, especially remembering her capital letters and full stops. She has also been re-reading her work. Maivili has been a fantastic help to her class teacher this week. Well done Maivili.
Octopus	Wilan	Wilan has really improved his writing stamina this term. He is producing longer pieces and is re-reading his work to check it makes sense. Well done for rising to the challenge!
Seal	Amari	For going above and beyond in all areas of his learning. He has a fantastic attitude to his school work and has made fantastic progress.
Avon	Reggie and Dawoud	For both confidently retelling the story of Romulus and Remus. Both boys have been exploring this story in English and have been able to retell the story using puppets. They have made links within the story and are able to use adjectives to describe the characters. Well done!
Eden	Joshua	This week Joshua had a breakthrough in Maths. He was so excited that he had to share his new understanding with everyone. Stunning.
Tyne	Annabel	In swimming, Annabel has shown perseverance, demonstrated good listening skills and adapted to a new learning environment. She has also modelled exceptional behaviour for learning and portrays our school values well.
Brent	Dexter	Dexter has displayed greater maturity and commitment to his work, setting a positive example for his peers. Keep it up Dexter!
Lea	Safa	Safa has made a big effort to improve her behaviour for learning. This has had a positive impact on her work in all areas, but especially in writing. Well done Safa!
Thames	Elizabeth	For a well-constructed setting and character description as part of her narrative based on the animation: 'Dream Giver'. She has chosen appropriate vocabulary and varied her sentence structure for effect as well as using a range of punctuation. Well done!



Alexander, Jasmine, Jaida, Adonijah and Walid for services to the school.

GET ACTIVE KIDS SCIENCE WEEK

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
CROSSFIELD ST, DEPTFORD, SE8 3PH

MAY HALF - TERM

TUE 28 MAKE YOUR OWN BOUNCY BALL!

WED 29 ROCKET EXPERIMENT & BALLOON CARS!

THU 30 PARACHUTE PEOPLE!

FRI 31 DISCO DAY!

+ ALL OF OUR USUAL SPORTS, INDOOR AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

To book please visit our website:
www.getactivekids.co.uk
07596 135900
info@getactivekids.co.uk

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GET ACTIVE KIDS HOLIDAY CLUBS

ChildLine

0800 1111

Life has its ups and downs
You can talk to us online or by phone whenever you need to.
Whatever your worry, it's better out than in.

www.childline.org.uk

ChildLine is a service provided by the NSPCC. Registered charity number 274601 and 8007767324411

Birthday Treats

To help promote our 'Healthy School' status we kindly ask that parents do not provide sweets or party bags for their child's class. An alternative idea is to bring a book which could be new or one in good condition for the children to share in class. Your child could dedicate the book to the class and sign it to commemorate and acknowledge the donation. This book can then be read and enjoyed by the class and will last longer than a sweet birthday treat!

Or other non-edible options...

- Bouncy balls
- Bubbles
- Mini-crayon sets
- Stickers
- Temporary tattoos

We hope you will continue to support us with our healthy eating mission.



Southwark Children and Family Centres
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe



Timetable 16th April-24th May 2024

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

Sessions start on Tuesday 16th April
Stay and Play (1 year and above)
10:00am-11:30am

Parent/Carers exploring, learning, and developing through fun and stimulating play activities.

Baby Massage (8 weeks old-Pre-crawlers) **Booking Required**

Dates: Various Dates across the year

This group has a long waiting list so please email us to go on the list.

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

Venue: Rotherhithe

Stay and Play (1 year and above)
10:00am-11:30am

Parent/Carers exploring, learning, and developing through fun and stimulating play activities.

Bookstart Sessions at local libraries

Bookstart (0-4 years) Term Time Only

Canada Water Library 10-11:30am
21 Surrey Quays Rd, SE16 7AR

Blue Anchor Library 10-11am
Market Place, London, SE16 3UQ

Tuesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Baby and Us (From 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.

SENsational Stay and Play (0-5 years)
1:30pm-3:00pm

A fun and playful session that encourages the development of early attention, social interaction, and communication skills, for children with additional, special educational needs.

Venue: Rotherhithe

Welcome to Parenthood!
10am-11:30am
Dates: 30th April, 7th May, 14th May and 21st May

A new supportive group for families with babies **0-12 months** aimed at exploring and discussing topics on the first year of your baby's life with the additional benefit of support around emotional and mental wellbeing for you and your baby.

Wednesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

Toddler Time (2 years and above)
10:00am-11:30am

A session for families with toddlers to explore their curiosity, learn through play and supporting next steps into nursery.

Chattertime Plus (18 months and above)
1:30pm-3:00pm **Re-starting from 24th April**

A stay and play group tailored to support children with complex communication needs and areas such as attention, social interaction, behaviour, understanding language and talking.

Venue: Pilgrims' Way

Stay and Play (0-5 years)
10am-11:30am

Parent/Carers exploring, learning, and developing through fun and stimulating play activities.

Thursday

Venue: Ellen Brown

NO SESSIONS ON THE 2nd MAY

Boogie Miles (0-12 months)
Times: 10am-10:30am

Music programme to support babies' development.

Mother and Baby Wellbeing Group
(Invitation Only)

Talking Therapies is delivering a 7-week group for mums with babies 0-14 months old to develop skills in managing mental wellbeing.

Dates: 9th May-27th June
Time: 12pm-1pm

For more information and to book please contact:

www.talkingtherapiesouthwark.nhs.uk
Telephone: 020 3228 2194

Email: ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk

Venue: Rotherhithe

Breastfeeding Café 10:00am-12:00pm

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

Venue: Pilgrims' Way

NO SESSIONS ON THE 2nd MAY

Boogie Miles (From 6 months-5 years)
10:00am-10:30am

Music programme to support children's development.

Melodies for Mums (Invitation Only)
16th May-18th July 2x groups

Connect with your baby in a supportive space, unwind and de-stress through the joy of singing and music-making.

For more information and to register, email: m4m@breathehr.org

Friday

Venue: Rotherhithe

NO SESSIONS ON THE 19th OF APRIL

Boogie Miles

Music programme to support children's language, brain development, communication, physical and social development. You and your child will benefit from the mood-boosting effect of sharing music together.

Times: 10:00am – 10:30 am

Ages: 0-12 months

Times: 11:30am-12:00pm

Venue: Ellen Brown

NO SESSIONS ON THE 19th APRIL

Baby Explorers (12 months-24 months)
10:00am-11:30am

Engage with your baby in play and help them discover the world through fun and engaging activities.

Healthy Minds Thrive Project

The Healthy Minds Thrive project aims to support parents and carers across Southwark (with 0-2 infants) thrive in their parenting journey. We understand that parents may experience isolation, low mood, and anxiety, worries around bonding with baby or shame about having these feelings.

For more information, please email: premila.soobul@southwark.gov.uk



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Timetable 16th Apri-24th May 2024

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.contacts1t@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, SE15, SE5 or SE17
If you wish to register to please phone 0207 358 2878 or email ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk



What is WellComm? Speech and Language Support

This is practical tool that the Early Years Team uses to discover children's level of communication, promote, and support the development of speech and language from as young as 6 months old- 5 years, through working together with parents/carers and completing fun activities.

Please speak with a member of staff for further information.



Due to our popularity of our groups please note that priority will be given to families trying to access our sessions. We would like to keep EVERYONE safe and healthy, and some groups have a limited number of families permitted in our centres.

We kindly ask everyone NOT to use their mobile phones whilst in our sessions. This is for safeguarding purposes, and it is an opportunity to spend quality time with your child/ren.



We have gone paperless to help save the environment.

Please scan the QR Code to download the timetable and find out updates.

br-cc.org.uk



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

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



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