

# RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

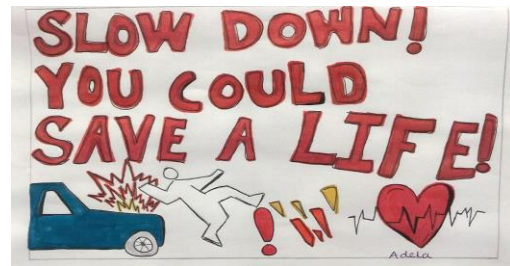
Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after what I hope was a fun filled half term. We have a busy term ahead and next Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March is **World book Day** so get ready to get dressed up as your favourite book character. The year 6 school councillors will be taking pictures and selecting and awarding a prize to the winning costume from each class.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of February a group of children were put through their paces at a docklands PE festival. The children got to experience a range of exercises including yoga, volleyball and capoeira - a form of Afro-Brazilian martial arts. The children really enjoyed the experience and were great at actively taking part. Thanks to Jennifer for organizing this trip.



**Road Sign Competition winner:** Recently schools were invited to submit poster designs to the local authority to promote safety on the roads. The winning posters will be displayed on signs and flyers within the Southwark borough. I am very pleased to announce that Adela in year 6 designed one of the winning posters! Well done to Adela for her fantastic design.



### Millwall free ticket offer

Don't have your ticket to London City Lionesses Vs Blackburn Rovers yet? London City Lionesses are giving you the chance to join them at Hayes Lane – for **FREE!**

### BUT BE QUICK – THIS OFFER IS LIMITED!

Don't miss out on the atmosphere, the excitement, and the action on the pitch.

Use code: **EMBBROV** at checkout.

Copy and paste code: **EMBBROV** at checkout to get your **FREE** tickets. Want to bring friends and family? Not a problem, share your code and they can grab their tickets too.

[Event Information Screen - eTickets](#)

**Parent's Evening:** It is parent's evening next week Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of March, for all classes except Eden and Severn classes (who will have their meetings later in the year). We are now using an online booking form on Arbor. If you are having any difficulty booking an appointment, please speak to Sharon in the office and inform the class teacher.

We wish all families who celebrate Ramadan Mubarak! Lisa (HoS)

# We love learning!

In Science, Fleet class have been learning about changing states and specifically reversible and irreversible changes. They carried out an experiment in which you add white vinegar to milk. The vinegar curdles the milk to make cheese. We used the cheese to make a classic Indian Paneer curry. The children all helped by cutting the vegetables for the curry base before cooking it and adding spices. Yum!





# Star of the Week



<b>Whale</b>	Nyrah	Nyrah is the star of the week for his amazing attitude in class. He has been putting his hand up and following instructions. Nyrah has been contributing his ideas and applying this to his writing.
<b>Octopus</b>	Zainab	Zainab is my handwriting star! She has focused on making sure letters sit on the line. Fantastic work!
<b>Tyne</b>	Ella	Ella for her outstanding performance in Jigsaw lessons! Ella has shown remarkable understanding and empathy during our discussions on important topics such as kindness, respect, teamwork and staying healthy. Her thoughtful contributions and willingness to help classmates have truly stood out.
<b>Eden</b>	Issa	For fantastic work ethic, He listens to the instructions and makes sure he starts his work straight away, focusing on the task and working independently.
<b>Avon</b>	Adam	For settling in so well to our class and using all our school values. He has such a positive attitude and has shown great resilience.
<b>Fleet</b>	Dawoud	Dawoud got an excellent result in his science assessment, and he used careful and accurate vocabulary when he was describing an irreversible change during a class discussion. Very impressive work all around.
<b>Ravensbourne</b>	Iman	Iman has demonstrated exceptional effort and dedication in her mathematics studies this week. She has successfully learned to use a protractor, enabling her to measure angles with accuracy. Additionally, Iman has showcased her writing skills by effectively employing a variety of conjunctions and punctuation marks.
<b>Wandle</b>	Hosna	Hosna is growing in confidence in her maths work. She is taking more risks in her learning and shows up every week to Booster Sessions, as well as support her peers during math lessons. Well done, Hosna. Keep it up!
<b>Severn</b>	Bintu	Bintu has a mature and positive attitude to her learning. She always strives to complete her work to a high standard. She also completes the STEAM newsletter promptly and independently.
<b>Trent</b>	Isaiah	Excellent progress in Arithmetic. He has mastered some key written methods for percentage and division during the last few weeks and is applying them consistently in his work.

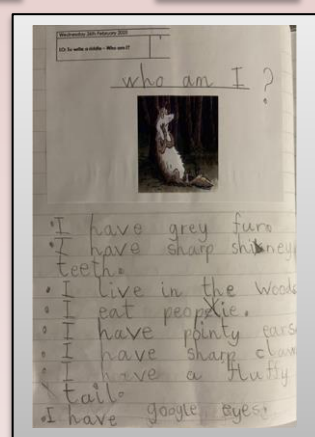
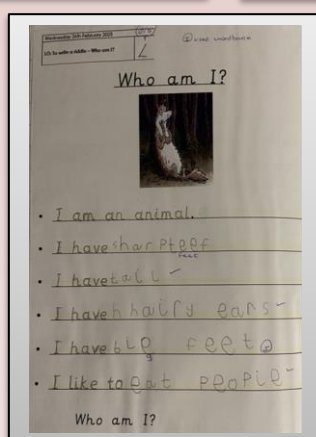
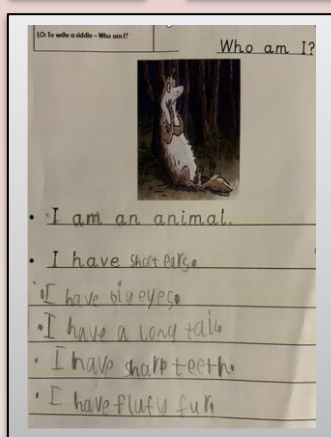
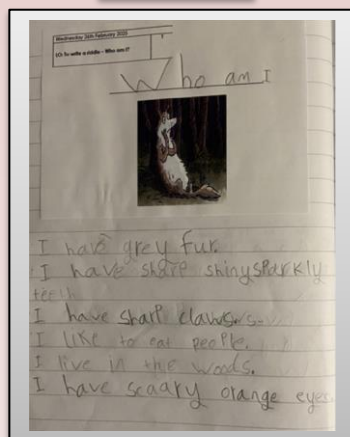
Simon

Selina

Year 1 Star Riddle Writers

Oscar

Jakob

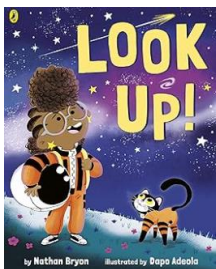


# Dates for your Diary

	Half Term Break
<b>24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Children return to school
<b>4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Parents Evening
<b>6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day – dress up as a book character.
<b>Week starting 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	STEAM week  Artist Kandace Siobhan Walker working with groups of children in Avon class.
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Scholastic Book Fair  Science Workshops for classes
<b>17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Mock SATS year 6
<b>24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	SEND parents meetings
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	Easter Bonnet Parade
<b>4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Break up for the Easter Break
	Easter Break
	Children return to school

## Pupil Book Recommendations

**Pupil:** Ava-Rose  
**Book:** Look up!  
**Author:** Nathan Bryon



This is a story about a girl called Rocket whose mother is an astronaut. She is mad about space. She tries to persuade her brother to go out with her and look up at space and one night they see a star shower. My favourite bit was when there was a picture of Rocket in space.

I think this book is suitable for young children.

I would give this book:



## Attendance Matters

Class	Weekly percentage	Star attendance winners
<b>Penguin</b>	98.8%	
<b>Jellyfish</b>	85.2%	
<b>Octopus</b>	97.9%	
<b>Whale</b>	96.1%	
<b>Eden</b>	96%	
<b>Tyne</b>	88.5%	
<b>Avon</b>	94.8%	
<b>Fleet</b>	91%	
<b>Ravensbourne</b>	96.1%	
<b>Wandle</b>	94.3%	
<b>Severn</b>	92%	
<b>Trent</b>	97%	

Please do not book holidays during term

## Parent Code of Conduct

From time-to-time, children in school will have disagreements and fall out. Learning to navigate these situations is part of the social learning that happens while children are young. If you are concerned about an incident, we ask that you raise this with the class teacher in the first instance or a member of the safeguarding team. Please do not approach other parents or speak to children directly as this can feel intimidating for the child and sometimes leads to conflict between parents. Please see our parent and visitor code of conduct on the school's website. [Parent Code of Conduct.](#)

**“We make a living  
by what we get.  
We make a life by  
what we give.”**

SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

## PE Uniform Reminder

**PE Uniform:** Please make sure your children are wearing the correct PE uniform. These are **black joggers and a white t-shirt** (this can be long or short sleeved) and trainers.

In the summer they can wear black shorts. **No logos** on the joggers or t-shirts. Children should also wear their **school uniform jumper or cardigan** to keep warm throughout the day.

Tracksuit jumpers are **not** permitted and are not part of the school uniform.



Please remember that long hair needs to be tied back for PE lessons.



Teachers will remind children and parents if children are not wearing the correct PE uniform.

Please see our policy on the website.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**ROTHERHITHE  
PRIMARY!  
YOU ARE ALL  
INVITED TO  
HELP**

**BIGGEST EVER  
FOOTBALL SESSION**  
7th March 2025

**Everyone  
is invited  
to wear a  
football  
strip on  
Friday 7th**

**WE'RE CELEBRATING  
FEMALE  
EMPOWERMENT  
ON THE 7TH MARCH  
AT BIGGEST EVER  
FOOTBALL SESSION**

**#LET  
GIRLS  
PLAY**

**WARRIORS  
GIRLS' FOOTBALL  
SCHOOL  
PARTNERSHIP**  
@WARRIORSFOOTBALL



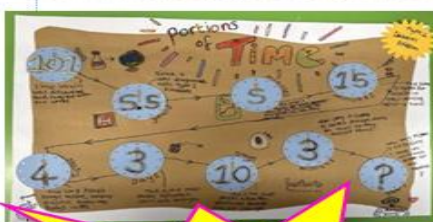
**BRITISH  
SCIENCE  
WEEK**  
7-16 March 2025

## Poster competition

The theme for 2025 is **'Change and Adapt'** – there are loads of STEM topics to be explored. Pupils could create a poster showing how plants and animals adapt to changing surroundings or how technology's place in our lives has changed, and how we have adapted. They could look at climate change and how we can adapt our behaviours to protect the environment, or their favourite science experiment and how it shows change. The more creative the interpretation of the theme, the better!



- Entries must be **one page of A4 or A3 paper only**
- Work must be **original and created by the student(s)** – please do not use any templates.



**Prizes will be given to  
the most creative posters in  
each class!**

**POSTERS DUE BY  
FRIDAY 14TH MARCH**



## GIRLS PLAYER PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

YEAR 4 - YEAR 9

HARRIS ACADEMY,  
BERMONDSEY

REGISTER NOW FOR  
A TRIAL

SESSIONS EVERY  
FRIDAY  
4:30 - 6:00PM

SIGN UP TODAY



## LEWISHAM PLAYER PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

U6-UT3 YEAR  
OLDS

PENDERGAST  
LADYWELL SCHOOL

SESSIONS EVERY  
MONDAY  
19:00PM - 20:00PM

REGISTER NOW FOR FREE  
A TRIAL

SIGN UP TODAY VIA:

[BIT.LY/LEWISHAM\\_PPP\\_TRIALS](https://bit.ly/lewisham_ppp_trials)



# IT'S PANCAKE

DELISH!

TIME!

Golden  
syrup

LEMON &  
SUGAR



CHOCOLATE SPREAD

Tuesday 4 March

# IT'S PANCAKE

DELISH!

TIME!



American Pancakes  
served with

Lemon and Sugar

or

Chocolate Spread

or

Golden Syrup

\*Menus may be subject to change

# REVISED Tuesday 25th Feb-28th March Timetable 2025

## Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Children and Family Hubs

To book on sessions please email us below

[ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)

### Monday

Venue: Ellen Brown

**Toddler Time  
(2 years and above)**

**10:00am-11:00am**

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

Venue: Rotherhithe

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

### Tuesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

**Baby and Us  
(From birth up to 12 months)**

**10:00am-11:00am**

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.

### Wednesday

Venue: Ellen Brown

**Stay & Play  
(1-5 years old)**

**10:00am-11:00am**

**Chattertime Plus  
(18 months and above)  
1:30pm-3:00pm**

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: Rotherhithe

**Baby Boogie Mites  
(0-12 months)  
2:00pm-2:30pm**

### Thursday

Venue: Ellen Brown

**Boogie Mites  
(0-12 months)  
10:00am-10:30am**

Venue: Pilgrims' Way

**Stay and Play  
(0-5 years)  
10:00am-11:00am**

Venue: Rotherhithe  
**Breastfeeding Café  
Infant feeding Drop-in**

**10:00am-12:00pm**

**Baby Sensory Group  
(0-12 months)  
2:00pm-3:00pm**

A relaxed space for you and your baby to explore their new world together through their senses.

### Friday

Venue: Rotherhithe

**No sessions on 7th March- Staff meeting**

**Toddlers Boogie Mites**

Music programme to support children's development holistically

**Ages: 12 months and above**

**Group 1: 10:00am – 10:30 am**

**Group 2: 11:30am-12:00pm**

Venue: Ellen Brown

**No sessions on 7th March- Staff meeting**

**Little Explorers**

**(12 months-24 months)**

**10:00am-11:00am**

Venue: South Bermondsey

**HENRY Programme (Booking Required)**

To book email:

[gst-tr.HVsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net](mailto:gst-tr.HVsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net)

- Starting Solids- Friday 21st March 10am-12pm
- Fussy Eating- Friday 28th March 10am-12pm

Venue: South Bermondsey

**Save a Baby's Life Workshop**

**Weds 12th March 1pm-3pm  
To book, please email us:**

[ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)

Venue: Ellen Brown

**Melodies for Mums group**

**From 30th January to 3rd April**

**(INVITATION ONLY)**

For more information and to register email: [m4m@breatheahr.org](mailto:m4m@breatheahr.org)

Venue: South Bermondsey  
**National Energy Action Advice  
Thursday 13th March  
10.00am-12pm**

### Saturday

Venue: Rotherhithe

**Gardening Workshop  
(2 years plus)  
10.00am-11:30am**

**15th March 2025**

**Email to book**

[ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)

### 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](mailto:gst-tr.contacts@nhs.net)

Website:  
[www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/communityspeechandlanguage](http://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](mailto:gst-tr.hvsupportanddevelopmentworker@nhs.net)

### Rose Vouchers

Support to buy fresh fruit and vegetables for low-income families and living in SE1, SE15, SE16, SE5 or SE17. If you wish to register please phone 0207 358 2878 or email [ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)



### Southwark Start for Life offer includes help with:

- Feeding your baby ✓
- Mental health & wellbeing ✓
- Support for children special needs & disabilities ✓
- Early education at home ✓
- Accessing information, advice, and your free childcare offer ✓
- Making friends and connections ✓
- Building relationships with your baby ✓
- Everyday parenting challenges ✓

<https://services.southwark.gov.uk/>

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](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)

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](http://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](mailto: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 Hub

Tenda Road, London, SE16 3PN

Telephone: 0207 358 2878

[ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:ccadmin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk)

Please visit our websites for further information

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

### 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: [julia.tropiano@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:julia.tropiano@southwark.gov.uk)