

RPS Weekly Newsletter

**RUN
ROTHERHITHE RUN**



Friday 10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We did it! Thank you and a huge well done to all the families and children who joined us on Sunday for 'Run Rotherhithe Run'. This charity event was not only to encourage our children to have fun while doing exercise, but to raise money for the school. You managed to raise £5,000! It was a fantastic afternoon. Thank you to Conor for helping to rally the children to enter the race and for running 15 laps of the track! Huge thanks also to our fantastic parent volunteers Vikki, Daniel and Gary. You were all amazing!



Black History Month: In assembly on Monday, the children were taught about racism. How racism has existed throughout history and still continues today. We discussed the importance of valuing and treating everyone respectfully. The children watched a short video about Rosa Parks – an American activist and considered the importance of having a voice when others are being mistreated. In school, children are participating in a range of lessons about historical black figures and the history of the Notting Hill Carnival. Next week we will be having our very own Carnival in the playground. Dress up as brightly as you can. Please read the flyer below and join us early in school on Friday 17th at 3 pm.

Have a great weekend. Lisa (HoS)

Early Years love learning through play!

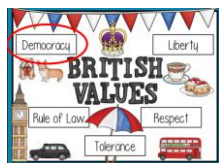
On Monday, our Early Years provision was audited by NEST's Early Years Consultant Esin. She spent all morning observing 'teaching and learning'. She talked to children and staff about the Early Years provision. She was extremely impressed with how effectively the staff developed children's verbal responses and the learning environment that they created. Well done to our fantastic Early Years Team.

One of the activities she loved watching was the children in Penguin class enjoying playing with their dolls house. The children have been making curtains, food and rugs using art materials. Each doll had a picture of every child in the class and then then used this to role playing. Well done Penguin Class. We are all proud of you.



This week the children wanted to sing the song they learned and sang during international day. The song comes from the story 'Crocodile, Crocodile'. The children made role play masks in preparation to sing their song.



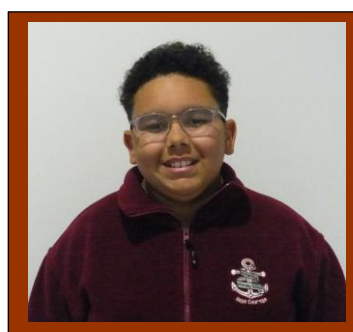


School Council Elections



Our Year 6 candidates, Hudson, Annabel, Jayden and Skylah-Ray put forward presentations to the whole school. They tried to persuade the electorate to vote for them as this year's School Council Chair and Vice Chair. The whole school cast their votes and

On Thursday, Kealan announced the new councillors in assembly. **Skylah-Ray** was elected School Council Chair and **Jayden** was elected Vice Chair. Annabel and Hudson will be year 6 councillors. Well done to all of the children for their lively presentations, bravery and desire to represent their peers.



All classes have voted for their class councillors and you the results are below.

Class	Children	Role and Responsibility
Whale (Y1) Salma	Hunter Winnie	School Council Member School Council Member
Octopus (Y1) Annalise	Olivia William	School Council Member School Council Member
Eden (Y2) Hafsa	Giorgia Umar	School Council Member School Council Member
Tyne (Y2) John	Nico Amina	School Council Member School Council Member
Avon (Y3) Grace	Lucy Jayden	School Council Member School Council Member
Peck (Y3) Conor	Jeronimo Arisha	School Council Member School Council Member
Effra (Y4) Anthony	Isata Adam	School Council Member School Council Member
Brent (Y5) Priscilla	Denver Christine B	School Council Member School Council Member
Lea (Y5) Nina	Malik Elsie-Mae	School Council Member School Council Member
Thames (Y6) Alex	Annabel Hudson	Secretary and Head Prefect Secretary and Events Lead
Thames (Y6) Alex	Skylah-Ray Jayden S	Chair Vice Chair

School Attendance Matters



To acknowledge our children's super attendance last term, we took children to Pizza Express for a Pizza Party! They had fun making the pizzas, but even more fun eating them! Well done to the children for their outstanding attendance. Keep it up.

Research shows that children who have great attendance do better academically and socially. Children should aim to have attendance of 96% or over. If a child's attendance drops to below 90%, they are considered to be 'persistently absent' and the school will contact parents. This is however, not the case for these great attenders!



Dates for your Diary

13.10.25	Avon Class Garden Museum Trip Cycle to School Week
15.10.25	Diwali clay lamp making workshop for families- 3:45 -4:45 in Thames class. Invite only.
15.10.25	Anti-discrimination workshop for years 5 & 6
17.10.25	Rotherhithe Carnival in the playground at 3 pm. Break up for half term
2 week half term Half term	
3.11.25	Children return to school Tyne Garden Museum Trip
4.11.25	Brent Garden Museum Trip Parents evenings Reception to Year 6
5.11.25	Reception to year 6 except- Whale and Brent
6.11.25	Parents Evening for Whale and Brent classes
Week starting	Anti-bullying week
10.11.25	Year 6 Millwall PE lesson trip
11.11.25	Armistice Day School photographer – siblings and single photographs
12.11.25	Science workshop for parents
14.11.25	Children in Need – dress up for charity
25.11.25	KS2 Cinema trip to the O2 to see Wicked
28.11.25	Drama 4 All workshops for year 1 and year 3
1.12.25	International Day of Disabilities
11.12.25	Christmas Jumper Day
12.12.25	Christmas Fair
17.12.25	Year 3 & 4 Christmas performance Year 5 & 6 Christmas performance
18.12.25	Year 1 Christmas performance EYFS Christmas performance
19.12.25	Year 2 Christmas performance Class parties pm
19.12.25	Break up for Christmas

Attendance Matters

Class	Weekly percentage	Star attendance winners
Penguin	88.5%	
Jellyfish	94.6%	
Octopus	92.5%	
Whale	96.8%	★
Eden	94.4%	
Tyne	99.3%	★ ★
Avon	97.3%	★
Peck	94.7%	
Effra	96.5%	★
Brent	94.4%	★
Lea	97.7%	★
Thames	93.5%	

Please do not book holidays during term time!

Teacher Book Recommendation

Teacher: Nina Hall
Book: We Found a Hat
Author: Jon Klassen



Jon Klassen is one of my favourite children's authors because he manages to convey a huge amount of meaning in very few words; his books are always in equal parts funny and emotive. The illustrations are beautiful and tell the story just as much as the words. We Found a Hat is all about two tortoises who find a hat and both desperately want it. The story takes you on a journey of whether the hat is more important than their friendship. The ending leaves me with a tear in my eye every time! This is one of a series of three books, so if you enjoy this one, then check out his other two: *I want my hat back* and *This is not your hat*.

The only way
to do great
work
is to love what
you do.
- Steve Jobs

Star of the Week

Whale	Kyro	You are a superstar for speaking when you should and taking turns so well when speaking. You have also been working hard during Maths lesson all week. Keep it up.
Octopus	Isabelly	For her brilliant subitising this week! Isabelly has been grouping counters and applying her number bonds to see an amount without counting, often referencing Hungarian Dice patterns. Super work!
Tyne	Jakob	This week, Jakob has shown our school value of resilience. In maths, he was given several extra challenges that really stretched his thinking. Even when things got tricky, Jakob didn't give up — he kept going with determination and a positive attitude. His perseverance was brilliant to see and it's clear that Jakob has a fantastic problem-solving mind.
Eden	Abdullah	This week, Abdullah has gone above and beyond in his learning. He has impressed me with his enthusiasm in all subjects especially in maths where he is completing all his challenges and showing off his understanding. He has also come out of his shell and is putting his hand up to answer questions. Keep up the good work!
Avon	Aidan	For excellent effort this past week when working independently or in a small group with Jade. Aidan has been quietly improving and pushing himself to become more and more independent. Keep it up!
Peck	Anaiah-Rae	Anaiah-Rae has shown an exceptionally high level of care in the presentation of all of her work. From English to History, she is incredibly careful and neat with her handwriting and her work. Well done!
Effra	Rayyan	Rayyan is an enthusiastic learner who thoroughly enjoys contributing to class discussions. She speaks with confidence and makes precise language choices. Rayyan wrote and performed a poem in front of her class showing bravery and a flair for writing. Keep up the great work!
Brent	Christine. B	Christine has been exceptionally kind and supportive to everyone in Brent class this week. She consistently goes out of her way to help her peers, whilst challenging herself across all areas of her learning. Her dedication and drive for excellence are truly inspiring. Well done, Christine!
Lea	Elsie-Mae	Elsie-Mae is a fantastic writer. She listens carefully and always works diligently through her steps to success. Her love of reading also means that she has a rich and broad vocabulary that she employs excellently in her work.
Thames	Jayden S	For his perseverance and determination to advance his learning, particularly in mathematics, where he has made significant progress. His hard work and positive attitude are truly commendable and set a great example for others. Thank you and well done!

ROTHERHITHE CARNIVAL

CELEBRATING

**BLACK HISTORY
MONTH**

**MAIN
PLAYGROUND
17TH OCTOBER
AT 3PM**

Parents: Please make the wings with your children at home and bring them to school by 15th October.

Children will make headdresses in school.

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**



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Re: Rotherhithe Carnival



Dear Parents and Carers,

On Friday 17th October, Children from Reception to Year 6 will take part in a carnival parade as part of our Black History Month celebrations. In school the children will be making their headdresses in school, and **we are asking for a small donation of £1** to cover some costs for the craft materials and accessories that we need to purchase. Please give this donation to your child's class teacher by **Monday 13th October 2025**. **We invite parents to make some wings with your children as a fun home learning activity.**



Children are invited to dress up in their own clothes. The theme is carnival so aim to be bright and colourful.

We thank you for all your support and generous contributions in advance.

Yours sincerely
Sinead Aaron-Lewis (History Lead)



Claudia Jones – The founder of Notting Hill Carnival

Millwall Breakfast and After School Clubs

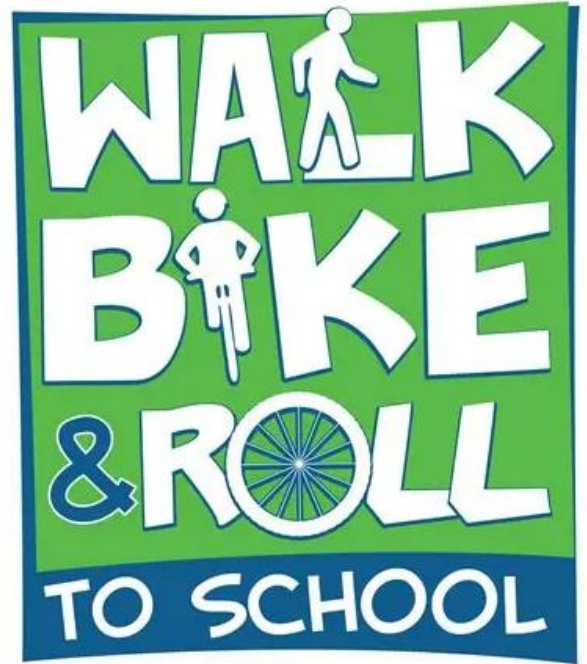
Come and join us for our Breakfast and After School Clubs!

Breakfast club will start at 7.45am- This will include breakfast of cereal or toast and will cost £5.50 per day

After School club- sports activities and games will cost: 1 hour £6.30 and 2 and half hours £13.65

We are able to offer a discount to families that wish to book a full week after school club and this is charged at £57.75 per week.

Wraparound Care (ASC) will not be suitable for Nursey pupils (5 years old+ only). Please see Sharon in the Office for more information!



Week starting 13th October

we are encouraging as many children as possible to Walk, Bike or roll to school on their scooters. Children will complete a tally chart in class and learn in assembly about how this helps keep us fit while reducing air pollution.

MCT
40 years

PLAYER PATHWAY

JOIN US ON THE MILLWALL GIRLS PLAYER PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

EMAIL US ON
NFARRELL@MILLWALLCOMMUNITY.ORG.UK

OCTOBER HALF-TERM
MULTI-SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP

Location: The Lions Centre, Bolina Rd, SE16 3LD

Time: 10am-3pm

Dates: Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October

Cost: £12 per day or £50 for five days

AGE: Age 5-13 year-olds

Contact: Epoole@millwallcommunity.org.uk / 07958026876 for more information

Register here or visit:
<https://tinyurl.com/dn7wy4ph>

MCT 40 years

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OCTOBER HALF-TERM FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP

St Paul's Sports Ground, Rotherhithe, SE16 5EF

10am-3pm

Monday 27th October - Thursday 30th October

£12 per day or £40 for four days

Age 5-13 year-olds

Contact: Nfarrell@millwallcommunity.org.uk/
07932877303 for more information

Register here or visit:
<https://tinyurl.com/3zxy8uvh>



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FAMILY LEARNING

Our Learning Team run workshops and activities for children and families all year round inspired by the seasons, our collection and exhibitions. Explore gardens and nature through art, craft, cooking and plant science.

TUESDAY TOTS

Tuesdays 10.30am-11.30am
Join us for seasonal stories, followed by art and craft sessions. For pre-school children aged 0-4yrs and a parent or carer.

SUNDAY SESSIONS

Sundays 11am-12.30pm
Seasonal family sessions that introduce and build art skills. For children aged 3-12yrs, accompanied by a parent or carer.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SESSIONS

During the school holidays we run sessions for all ages, including sessions or families with neurodiverse needs.

Check our website for details:
gardenmuseum.org.uk



Family Learning at the Thomas Calton Centre

Southwark
Council

Monday 27th October 13.00-15.30
Family Learning Festival: Story Power

- arts & crafts
- puppet-making
- stay & play
- painting
- creative writing
- making books
- music & dance
- storytelling



Tuesday 28th October 13.00-15.30
Black History Arts & Cultural Crafts Fun Day

- storytelling from around the world
- arts & crafts
- stay & play
- song & dance
- music
- painting
- cultural displays

FREE!

Contact: adult.learning@southwark.gov.uk

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FREE SEND COOKING CLASSES AT BERMONDSEY COMMUNITY KITCHEN

For Southwark
residents aged
11-25



Location: 9 Market Place, SE16 3UQ

For more information email
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