

RPS Weekly Newsletter



Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope all our families and children had a fantastic summer holiday break. It was a joy to welcome you all back to school.

SEND Resource Hub – you will have noticed that there have been some changes to the playground and access points for Key Stage 1 children and their classrooms. This is to accommodate the new SEND Resource Hub being created within the school grounds. Shona, Lakshmi, and Priscilla are three teachers who have been appointed to lead three classes of eight children each. These children have complex special needs. Along with their teaching assistants, Bharti, Ebije, Kayla, Chelsey, Beckie, Katrina, Parveen, they have been getting to know the new children and families ready to start welcoming the children into their new classes from the 21st of September. We welcome the new staff, children and families who are joining our school.



Our newsletters and websites are changing. We have always loved sharing the children's learning and enjoyment with you in our newsletters. However, due to the rapid developments in AI, and unfortunately, its misuse, NEST Academy has taken the decision that children's faces will no longer be included in their school's newsletters or on their websites. We will therefore be overhauling the website. We still aim to share some of the fantastic opportunities the children participate in and their wonderful work with you.



Friday 18th September is 'Jeans for Genes Day'. Children will be allowed to wear jeans for a donation towards this worthy charity. We will collect money at the gates. We recommend a donation of £1 but any amount that you can afford will be gratefully received.

Enrichment Opportunities – We are currently organising our after-school activities. Pioneer Dance started back on Thursday. Millwall's Wraparound care can be accessed each day – see prices and how to book this in the flyer below. Art club will start on Tuesday this week. Yoga will start next Thursday for selected children. I would like to say a huge thank you to Gary, a former parent, who has provided Chess Club for many of our children in the past few years. We would like to say a huge thank you and we will miss him and appreciate all the support he has provided to the school.

Sunday 27th September is **Run Rotherhithe Run!** So, save the date and sign up below. This event is a family fun run around Southwark Park Sports Track. The children get a medal, and snack and the glory from their efforts. Families can run with them. The more people who run the more money we raise.

Have a fantastic week! Lisa

READY FOR A 2KM CHALLENGE?

RUN ROTHERHAM RUN

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

2 – 4 PM
SOUTHWARK PARK
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Year 6 scientists at work!



Year 6 pupils have been investigating how living things are classified and why classification is important in science. Through a range of practical activities and discussions, the children have developed their understanding of how scientists group living organisms according to their characteristics.

As part of their learning, pupils explored different groups of animals and plants, identifying similarities and differences between them. They learned how observable features such as body coverings, habitats, methods of reproduction, and the presence or absence of a backbone can be used to classify living things accurately.

The children enjoyed designing their own classification charts and branching databases. They created a series of scientific questions to help identify and sort organisms, demonstrating excellent reasoning and enquiry skills.



Whale	Mirabel	For her fantastic attitude to learning. She has started the year focussed and with a can-do attitude. Keep it up!
Octopus	Levi	We have been blown away by Levi's excellent listening skills and attitude to learning. Levi is always ready to learn and tries his best in everything he does. Well, done Levi for such a brilliant start to Year 1!
Coral	Delara	Delara has started off the year amazingly. She has recently joined Rotherhithe Primary school, and I have been really impressed with her attitude to learning in all subjects. Keep up the good work!
Seal	Simon	Simon has settled into Year 2 brilliantly and has already shown what a helpful and responsible member of the class he is. He is always keen to help with classroom jobs and has made a fantastic start to the year! Well, done!
Avon	Harley	Harley has started the year with great determination and enthusiasm towards his work. He has shown a strong eagerness to do his best and continues to approach his tasks with a positive attitude. Harley has also demonstrated great resilience when faced with new challenges. Well, done, Harley, for such a positive start to the year!
Peck	Leo	Leo has shown a positive attitude towards his learning this week. He has stayed focused, tried his best and persevered. Keep displaying fantastic behaviour for learning!
Effra	Sapphire	For a great start to Year 4. In English this week, she used great vocabulary to write an interesting piece. Well, done!
Wandle	Mary-Lou	Superb start to the year! Mary-Lou has impressed everyone with her attitude for learning across all subjects. It has been brilliant to see her drive to impress! Keep it up!
Lea	Majid	Majid has made a great start to the year. In English this week, he confidently identified metaphors and similes and even created some of his own. He showed excellent understanding and enthusiasm during the lessons. Great work, Majid.
Thames	The whole class	For their outstanding commitment to wearing the correct school uniform every day. Your consistent effort, pride in your appearance, and positive representation of the school have set an excellent example for others. Well, done and thank you!
Severn	Charlotte	Charlotte has come back to school with focus, determination and ambition. The high standards she sets for herself are reflected in her impressive performance in the baseline assessments she completed this week. Well, done, Charlotte!

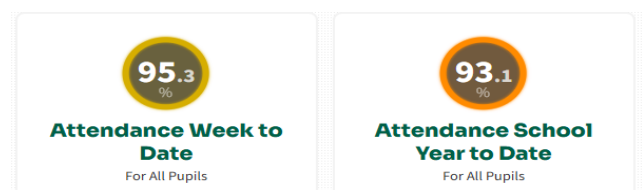
Dates for your Diary

4.9.26	Year 6 secondary school transition meeting 3:45 pm
7.9.26	Year 3 Parents - Meet the Teacher
8.9.26	Year 1 Parents - Meet the Teacher
9.9.26	Year 4 Parents - Meet the Teacher
10.9.26	Year 5 & 6 Parents - Meet the Teacher
11.9.26	Year 2 Parents - Meet the Teacher
17.9.26	Climbing Wall Trip for 100% attendance
22.9.26	Avon Class Creekside Trip
24.9.26	Year 6 Junior Citizenship TBC
25.9.26	Peck Class Creekside Trip
27.9.26	Run Rotherhithe Run (Sunday 2-4 pm) Southwark Park Racetrack
28.9.26	NEST Learning Review
1.10.26	National Poetry Day Start of Black History Month
2.10.26	International Day
12.10.26	Avon Class Trip to the National Gallery
15.10.26	Lea Class Creekside Trip
16.10.26	Annalise's last day Break up for half term
2 Week Half Term Break	
2.11.26	Children Return to School
3.11.26	Whole School Flu vaccinations
10.11.26	Individual and sibling photographs Parents meeting for children with SEND needs
11.11.26	Armistice Day
16.11.26	Road Safety Week
20.11.26	Children in Need
4.12.26	Drama 4 All Workshops for Years 1 & 2
8.12.26	Parents' Evening
9.12.26	Parents' Evening Follow up flu vaccinations
10.12.26	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
14.12.26	Lea Class Trip to the National Portrait Gallery Achievement Awards Christmas Performances exact timings to be confirmed
17.12.26	Attendance Parties
18.12.26	Class Parties
Christmas Holidays	

Attendance Matters

Class	Weekly percentage	Star attendance winners
Penguin	95.4%	★
Whale	96.3%	★
Octopus	89.4%	
Coral	94.2%	
Seal	96.2%	★
Peck	94%	
Avon	99.2%	★ ★
Wandle	97.9%	★
Effra	97.4%	★
Lea	93.9%	
Severn	96.9%	★
Thames	91.1%	

Please help us to improve our school attendance. Currently, our attendance is below the national expectations of 96%.

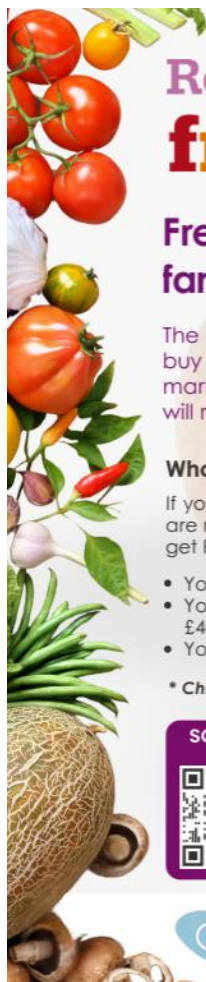


If children are unwell they should remain at home, but please **do not book holidays** during term time as this may lead to a penalty notice.

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wanted to change the world.
Today I am wise, so I am
changing myself.

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Free fruit and vegetables for families with young children

The Rose Vouchers Project gives vouchers to buy fresh fruit and vegetables from local markets and some other places. If eligible, you will receive at least £4 of vouchers every week.

Who is it for?

If you live in Southwark and have children under 5*, or are more than 10 weeks pregnant, you may be able to get Rose Vouchers if one of the following applies:

- You receive Healthy Start
- You have a low or no household income (less than £408 income a month if you are on Universal Credit)
- You have no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

* Children must be under 5 until 31st August



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Available if you are pregnant or have children under 5 until 31st August, and have a low income, no income, or NRPF.

Find out more

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Centre details



SOUTHWARK PLAYHOUSE YOUNG COMPANY

Is your child aged 8 - 10 and lives in Southwark, or goes to school here?

Southwark Playhouse is recruiting new members for its youth theatre, the Young Company, this Autumn/Winter.

These are weekly drama workshops led by talented theatre professionals.

Our participants make new friends, learn new skills, perform at one of London's leading off-West End theatres and most importantly have lots of fun!.

It's free to join and there are no auditions. We operate a waiting list when there is strong demand.

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FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN

Activities:
Stay & Play, Arts & crafts, Sports & games Fun with maths & science

EVERY WEEK
TUESDAYS- THURSDAYS
Starting 22nd September 2026

TIME: 3:30PM - 5:00PM
VENUE: THE LEWINGTON CENTRE
COMMUNITY CENTRE
9 EUGENIA ROAD ROTHERHITHE SE16 2RU

FOR DETAILS & TO REGISTER
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Message for Parents & Carers

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last term, Musical Mayhem had the pleasure of visiting **Rotherhithe Primary** to deliver free singing, dancing and drama workshops. We had such a wonderful time with your children and were blown away by their enthusiasm, creativity and confidence.

As a thank you for welcoming us into your school, we'd love to offer **every child at Rotherhithe a FREE trial class** at Musical Mayhem this autumn. We'd love for your child to come along and experience the magic completely free.

Musical Mayhem offers fun, inclusive performing arts classes that help children build confidence, make friends and develop their singing, dancing and drama skills in a supportive environment. Whether your child already loves performing or would simply like to try something new, we'd be delighted to welcome them.

Please see the attached flyers to learn more about Musical Mayhem. You can view our full timetable, find out more about our classes and book your child's **FREE trial** by visiting www.musicalmayhem.org

We'd love to welcome your family this autumn!
Thank you for being part of the magic,
Lyndsey Rogerson

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Why Train at a NEXUS school?



✓ **Full-time and Part-time Pathways**

Training can be completed full-time over one year or full days per week, or part-time over two years at 2.5 days per week for a more flexible pathway.



✓ **Hands-On Classroom Experience**

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✓ **Expert Support**

You'll work with mentors and teachers who know what it takes to train as a teacher. They bring years of classroom experience, practical insight and a genuine desire to help you get the best out of your training.



✓ **Supportive Community**

Our schools are collaborative, encouraging and nurturing. From day one, you'll be welcomed into the team, guided and supported as you learn the ropes. You'll have the space to make mistakes, try new strategies and grow into the teacher you aspire to be.

Who We're Looking For

We welcome graduates in all subjects who are:

- ✓ **Passionate** about working with children.
- ✓ **Creative, patient** and resilient.
- ✓ **Eager** to make a real difference.

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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 Nursery aged pupils.

Please see Sharon in the Office for more information!



Are you interested in working for NEST—or do you know someone who might be?

At NEST, we offer a wide range of rewarding roles across our schools. Whether you're an early careers teacher, an experienced educator, returning to work after a break, or simply looking for meaningful employment, we'd love to hear from you.

We have opportunities in **teaching, school administration, finance, HR, and estates.**

Click [here](#) to view our current vacancies or register for our talent pool and learn more about joining the NEST team and the exciting career opportunities available