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A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have had some fantastic extra-curricular sessions starting across the school! **Year 2 (Elder Class) and Year 3 (Beech Class)** had their first Dance sessions with Chantal from Pioneer Dance. **Year 5 (Hazel Class)** have continued with their Swimming Sessions! **Nursery, Reception and Year 4 (Cedar Class)** also had their first Forest School Sessions (Read on to see some brilliant photos from their sessions!). In addition, **Year 1 (Willow Class), Year 2 (Elder Class) and Year 3 (Beech Class)** had Multi Sports sessions run by Southwark PE Network. Take a look!





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Year 5 Hazel Class Learning

We acted out the story of Theseus and The Minotaur in preparation for our writing a Greek myth.






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In Science, we have been learning about the life and works of Sir Isaac Newton in our Forces topic.


Write a paragraph about Sir Isaac Newton, discussing his life and work

Sir Isaac Newton lived from 1643-1727. He grew up on a farm in a Lincolnshire village. He was forced to leave school at the age of 12 to help out on the family farm, but however he worked hard and went to Cambridge university where he studied maths, physics and astronomy. He also studied light and worked out a prism could split light into lots of colours. Making a curved mirror instead of a lens he built a reflecting telescope. Sir Isaac Newton also made a new type of math called calculus. He came up with 3 laws of motion. A piece of equipment is named after him called a Newtonmeter it measures weight.



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Hazel Class had a DT Day where we designed and made a playground as part of our DT topic. We used a variety of resources to help us. Come and have a look.





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In Forest School this week...

Cedar Class Year 4 started their first Forest School sessions with Ms Hassan! They had such a fantastic time exploring the environment and working together!





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Makaton Sign of the Week

Makaton is a language with speech, signs and symbols used to support people who have difficulty communicating. We teach it to all of our children and staff so that we can become even more inclusive as a school. This week our Makaton sign is "think".



think

Charles' Friday Fact

Did you know that the fear of long words is called "Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia"



Stars of the Week



We would like to recognize the children who have been great examples of our School values and have shown a true commitment to their learning. Well done!

Reception	Huxley for practising his name writing every day and making good progress with it. Ayesha for improving in her phonics and trying her best to blend sounds together to read words.
Willow	Ellie for trying her best in P.E and working hard to do a roly poly! Daud for being a kind and caring friend and looking after others in the playground.
Elder	Jaheim for showing courage by singing in front of the whole class in Music! Jedell for asking insightful, well thought-out questions about our new History topic – The Great Fire of London.
Beech	Garsha for demonstrating outstanding participation in class discussions and for contributing valuable and insightful sentences during shared writing activities. Mubarak for showing exceptional readiness and enthusiasm in dance. You had a positive attitude during the lesson and embraced new challenges.
Cedar	Madina for fantastic focus in Maths and writing this week. River for drawing a beautiful detailed Pompeii picture.
Hazel	Fahiz for always demonstrating high standards of respect to his peers and all adults Shamira for writing a good account of the work of Sir Isaac Newton in Science
Maple	Mosiah for demonstrating kind and respectful behaviours towards others in school. Chikamso for working really hard to produce an outstanding character description in literacy.
Oak	Tamara for her incredible focus and fantastic quality of work produced across all subjects Owen M for his confidence shown when explaining his reasoning when solving problems linked to proportion



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Dates for your Diary

20/01/2025	Alleyn's start Spanish with Year 3 Beech Class and Music with Year 5 Hazel Class
29/01/2025	Lunar Lunch celebrating Chinese New Year
4/02/2025	Children's Photographs
11/02/2025	Safer Internet Day
14/02/2025	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
15/02/2025- 23/02/2025	School closed for Half Term Holidays
24/02/2025	First Day back of School
27/02/2024	Swimming Starts for Cedar Class



Breakfast and Afterschool Club



Come and join us for our Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs!

Breakfast club will start at 7.45am- This will include breakfast of cereal or toast and will cost £5.00 per day

After School club- Light snack and sports activities and games and will cost:

1 Hour £6.00

2 Hour £12.00

Full session (2 1/2 hours) £15.00

Snacks will only be offered to children staying over 1 hour.

We are able to offer a discount to families that wish to book a full week after school club and this is charged at £65.00 per week.

Wraparound Care (ASC) will not be suitable for Nursey pupils (5 years old+).

Please see Carrie in the Office for more information!

Club Donations

We would really welcome donations of games and jigsaws for our clubs! Please drop any off to the Office!



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Study Bugs

Please download and register for StudyBugs. Not only is this our way of reporting absence but we will soon be switching to using StudyBugs as a means of communication and will no longer send text messages as we can send messages in the alert section of StudyBugs.

Also, when leaving absence information, we do require the child's symptoms so that we can monitor infection and take relevant action against virus; and disease.



Download the
Studybugs app
for reporting your
child's absence.

A quick and secure way to report absence due to illness and send messages to school.



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LET'S CELEBRATE

LUNAR

NEW YEAR

LUNAR

NEW YEAR

MAINS
Cantonese Sweet and Sour Chicken
or Sweet and Sour Vegetables

SIDES
Egg Noodles
or Coconut Rice


DESSERT
Golden Apple Fortune Muffin

29 JANUARY 2025

*Menus may be subject to change



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WEEK 1

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUTUMN/WINTER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Macaroni Cheese 🌱	Cottage Pie 🍷🌱 Served with Gravy	Roast Chicken 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken Pizza 🍷 Served with Pesto Pasta	Southern Fried Chicken 🌱 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Cheesy Bean Burrito 🌱🍷🍷	West African Vegetable Rice 🌱 🍷🍷	Vegetarian Cottage Pie 🌱🍷 Served with Gravy	Meatless Feast Cheesy Pizza 🍷 🌱 Served with Pesto Pasta	Crispy Quorn Sub 🌱 Served with Chips
	DESSERT	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
		Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato sauce with penne pasta 🌱🍷				
		All main meals are served with two vegetables				
	DESSERT	Fruit Salad	Chocolate and Coconut Cake with Custard	Strawberry Frozen Yoghurt	Fruit Platter 🌱	Cheese & Biscuits with Fruit

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY
 Water, salad, freshly baked bread,
 yoghurt & fresh fruit

🌱 Vegetarian 🐟 Oily Fish 🌾 Wholegrain
 🍏 Fruity! 🍷 Nutritionist's Choice 🌱 Halal Available

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.



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WEEK 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUTUMN/WINTER 2024	HOT SPECIALS Veggie Supreme Pizza 🌱🌱 Served with Pesto Pasta	Beef Bolognese 🍖🌱 Served with Spaghetti	Roast Chicken 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Tikka Masala 🍖🌱🌱 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Crispy Chicken Burger 🌱 Served with Chips
	Chilli No Carne with Crispy Tortilla Served with Wholegrain Rice	Chinese Vegetable Noodles 🌱	Winter Vegetable Hotpot 🌱 Served with Gravy	Macaroni Cheese 🌱	Quom Dippers 🌱 Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO Jacket Potatoes 🍖🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍖🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍖🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍖🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍖🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato sauce with penne pasta 🌱🌱					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Fruit Platter 🌱	Orange Glazed Sticky Sponge Pudding with Custard	Fruits of the Forest Jelly	Fruit Salad 🌱	Cheese & Biscuits served with Fruit 🌱

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 Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

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WEEK 3

AUTUMN/WINTER 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Macaroni Cheese 🌱	Jerk Chicken 🌱 Served with Rice and Peas	Roast Beef 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Korma 🌱 🌱 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Battered Fish Served with Chips
	BBQ Quorn Fillet 🌱 🌱 🌱 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Bolognese 🌱 🌱 🌱 Served with Wholewheat Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	Roasted Vegetable and Cranberry Slice 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetable Spanish Rice	Cheese and Sweetcorn Omelette 🌱 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🌱 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato sauce with penne pasta 🌱 🌱					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Salad 🌱	Jam and Coconut Sponge with Custard	Vanilla Ice Cream	Fruit Platter	Cheese & Biscuit with Fruit 🌱

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BARRACUDAS ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU IN **2025!** EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT

USE CODE **SCHOOL10** FOR AN
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BARRACUDAS ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

5 Things you want to learn in 2025?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

NEW YEAR WORD SEARCH!

1. HAPPY
2. JANUARY
3. MIDNIGHT
4. FIREWORK
5. CELEBRATE
6. FAMILY
7. FRIENDS
8. CALENDAR
9. GOALS
10. FUN



SCAN ME!
to see more info about our camps!

FUN FACT

The ancient Babylonians are said to have been the first people to make New Year's resolutions, some 4,000 years ago.

HEY!

I'm BILLY Barracuda! Get ready for a year full of fun, learning, and new adventures. Let's make 2025 our best year ever!



2025

Decode the message!



The Key

1-A	6-N
2-E	7-R
3-Y	8-W
4-P	
5-H	

POP QUIZ!

1. How many months in a year?
2. Which month starts the new year?
3. At what time do we celebrate New Years Day?
4. In letters can you spell 2025!
5. How many days are in a year?

How many STARS can you see?

ANSWERS



Stars: 15
Decoded Message: HAPPY NEW YEAR
Pop Quiz:
1. 12
2. January
3. Midnight
4. Twenty Five
5. 365

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BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF **AUTISM & SEND** (SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & DISABILITIES)

ISSUES FOR BLACK AND MARGINALISED FAMILIES (5 WEEKS ONLINE PROGRAM)

Monday 20th January
TIME: 6:00PM - 7:00PM (ONLINE)

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Parent Skills²Go
Community Development Company

MY CHILD & ME

**A 10 WEEK
INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP
FOR BLACK AND MINORITY FAMILIES**



DATES:

■ JANUARY 16TH - 20TH
MARCH 2025

■ 1ST MAY - 9TH JULY 2025

TIME: 10:00AM - 12:00PM

VENUE:

THE LEWINGTON CENTRE
COMMUNITY CENTRE
9, EUGENIA ROTHERHITHE SE16 2RU

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**UNDER 8s & 9s GIRLS
OPEN TRAINING SESSIONS**

ATHENLAY FOOTBALL CLUB ARE LOOKING FOR GIRLS
IN YEARS 3 AND 4 TO JOIN A NEW U9 GIRLS TEAM.
NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED, JUST ENTHUSIASM!

FREE WEEKLY TRAINING SESSIONS
FOR INTERESTED GIRLS WILL START
ON TUESDAY AFTERNOONS
FROM 14TH JANUARY, 4.30-5.30PM.

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