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A Message from our Deputy Headteacher Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been '**Internet Safety**' Week. A big thank you to Mr Dan Butt for organising the week. He kicked off Internet Safety Day with assembly on this year's theme '**Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI**'. Dan also organised some online safety workshops for children in KS2. Take a look at some of the classes in action below!

Take a look at the BBC live lesson for KS2 on the theme of the year too!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/live-lessons/articles/zcbhdnb>



Talking Tuesday

Every Tuesday, children in Reception up to Year 6 have been having class assemblies called '**Talking Tuesdays**'. The School Councilors in Years 1-6 are encouraged to lead their classes in a discussion around a question or 'silly' statement to debate. The children are also encouraged to use our 'Oracy Hand Signals' to support structuring their verbal debates.

We would love for our families to also have a go at debating at home! Our **question** this week was themed around 'Internet Safety'.

"When does enhancing a photo become a lie?" What do you think?

ORACY HAND SIGNALS	
I agree because...	
I disagree because...	
I challenge that because...	
I would like to build on what has been said...	
Linking to what has been said...	

When does enhancing a photo become a lie?



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Online Safety Workshops





KS1 DANCE



Performance Time!



This Half Term, Year 1 and 2 have had weekly dance sessions with the brilliant **Chantal Joseph** from **Pioneer Dance**. This week they did an absolutely fantastic job in their dance performance. They showed great enthusiasm, confidence, and big smiles that lit up the hall! Thank you to Chantal and to all the families who came to see the children in action!





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Nursery Class Learning

In Nursery this week we have been exploring the story *Superhero Dad*. We discussed what makes someone a hero and shared our own ideas about the special people in our lives. The children really enjoyed joining in with the discussions, role-play and creative ideas such as designing their own superhero emblems and making capes which links to the text supporting their language, imagination, creative skills and confidence.

In Maths, they have been learning to compare height by using the concepts of tall and short which is aimed to develop their understanding through practical and visual examples. We compared objects and people in practical activities to support the children's early measurement skills.

It has been great to see Nursery working together and showing such enthusiasm when learning new skills.

Well done Ladybird Class!





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Reception Class Learning

This week, Reception has been filled with love, creativity and lots of wonderful learning linked to our Valentine's Day theme!

The children have been busy making and writing their own Valentine's cards, choosing who they wanted to make them for and thinking carefully about the messages they wanted to include. We talked about being kind and thinking of others. We have also been decorating hearts using a range of different materials, including sequins, felt tips and tissue paper.

In Maths, we have been learning to subitise numbers to 5 using Valentine-themed resources such as hearts and playing cards. The children practised recognising small quantities without counting. In Phonics, we focused on reading words containing "special friends" (two letters that make one sound). The children worked hard to spot these sounds in words and blend them confidently.

It has been a lovely, creative week full of imagination, friendship and fantastic learning. Well done, Reception!





Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Curriculum Update:

Statutory guidance on Relationships Education, Relationships and sex education (RSE) and health education has been updated and all schools must implement the new curriculum by September 2026. At Grove Primary school, we intend to introduce the new curriculum this academic year (Summer 2).

We are starting a period of parent consultation that will end on Monday 23rd March, where parents will be able to learn about the new curriculum and ask any questions they may have. Parents are invited to join one of the consultation meetings on the following dates:

- Thursday 26th February 9.00am - 9.45am
- Thursday 12th March 9.00am - 9.45am

The meetings will take place in the Mary Seacole building

CHRISTOPHER WINTER'S PROJECT



The school has chosen to continue using Christopher Winter's Project (now Teach RSE) for its RSE curriculum because it provides age-appropriate, inclusive, and well-structured resources that support pupils' understanding of relationships, health, and wellbeing.



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The cut-off date to order the photos with free delivery back to the school is
Thursday 19th February at midnight.

For any further assistance placing an order with Van Cols please contact the customer service team on 01206 273711 or aftersales@vancols.com

Parent Survey

We are at the halfway point this academic year and all our staff have been working incredibly hard. We are sending out a Parent Survey and we would love to hear your views!

A link will be shared with you via email. The survey will close on the **27th February.**





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Reading Jackdaw

We are now a few weeks into the National Year of Reading. The Reading Jackdaw, a website dedicated to reading for pleasure have produced a helpful reading newsletter for February which contains up-to-date suggested reads for pupils in Year 3 – 6.

Age 7+ Have a look at my 2026 Year 3&4 and Y5&6 booklists on www.readingjackdaw.co.uk

FEBRUARY'S 15 FICTION PICKS

Animals & Nature

Terrills & Mystery

Picture Books & Graphic Novels

SPREAD A LOAD OF BOOKS OUT ON A TABLE OR THE FLOOR AND INVITE PEOPLE TO SHARE THEM WITH YOU. CHAT ABOUT WHAT YOU LIKE AND DON'T LIKE.

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Winter Olympics 2026

Find more booklists, recommendations and resources www.readingjackdaw.co.uk

Age 11+ Have a look at my 2026 Year 5&6 and Year 7&8 booklists on www.readingjackdaw.co.uk

FEBRUARY'S 15 FICTION PICKS

Funny & Uplifting

Crime & Mystery

Dystopia & Sci-Fi

BROWSE THE LIBRARY AND CLASSROOM SHELVES AND THE INTERNET TO FIND BOOKS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE INTO MOVIES, TV SERIES OR VIDEO GAMES.

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Diary Novels

- Chinglish, Sue Cheung
- Dork Diaries, Rachel Renée Russell
- Glow Up, Lara Bloom, Dee Benson
- Ginger Club, Emily Jane Clark
- The Private Blog of Joe Cowley, Ben Davis
- The Extremely Embarrassing Life of Lottie Brooks, Katie Kirby
- Memoirs of a Neurotic Zombie, Jeff Norton
- My Name is Mina, David Almond
- Spud, John Van de Ruit
- The Closest Thing to Flying, Jill Lewis
- The Frannies, Jenny Valentine
- The Weird Friends Fan Club, Catherine Wilkins
- Thornhill, Pam Smy

Find more booklists, recommendations and resources www.readingjackdaw.co.uk



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Age 13+

Have a look at my 2026 Year 9 and Year 10&11 booklists on www.readingjackdaw.co.uk

FEBRUARY'S 15 FICTION PICKS



Thrills & Suspense



Love & Romance



Fantasy, Demons & Fairies



THIS WEEK CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO READ 5 DIFFERENT TYPES OF READING MATERIAL. CHOOSE FROM: NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, PROSE NOVELS, GRAPHIC NOVELS, VERSE NOVELS, NON-FICTION, BIOGRAPHIES, ELECTRONIC, PRINT, AUDIO.

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Uplifting & Mood Boosting Fiction

- Almost Nothing Happened, May Rosoff
- Black Flamingo, Dean Atta
- Puddin', Julie Murphy
- Stand Up Ferran Burke, Steve Camden
- The Rest of the Story, Sarah Dessen
- This is How You Fall in Love, Anika Hussain
- Twenty-Four Seconds from Now, Jason Reynolds
- When Mr Dog Bites, Brian Conaghan
- You Should See Me in a Crown, Leah Johnson
- You're the One that I Want, Simon James Green

Find more booklists, recommendations and resources www.readingjackdaw.co.uk



TEACHERS

Reading is not just sitting silently by yourself with a book, being a reader is so much more. Try one of these activities and enjoy being a reader.

Sit with friends and chat about books and reading. Talk about the good, the bad & the ugly.

Try Print, Audio, E-Books, Prose, Graphic or Verse Novels, Newspaper, Magazines or, Diaries & Blogs

In a group read an agreed piece of writing and reflect on its impact on each of you.

Choose a screen adaptation (incl. video games) of a book. Reflect on changes made and your preferences.

Think about celebrities, sport icons, politicians, influencers etc. Have they written an autobiography?

Ask friends for recommendations on what to read or find some booklists that you like and browse.

SHOWING not TELLING that you value Reading for Pleasure

(Click on the pictures for the link to the resources)



Practical ideas to dig the foundations required to support a Reading for Pleasure School before building the walls and a roof.



6 Quick and Easy things for staff to do each week to SHOW and not simply TELL your school community that your school values R4P.

Lay the foundations: STATUS ATTITUDE TIME ACCESS CHOICE SPACE





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★ 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!

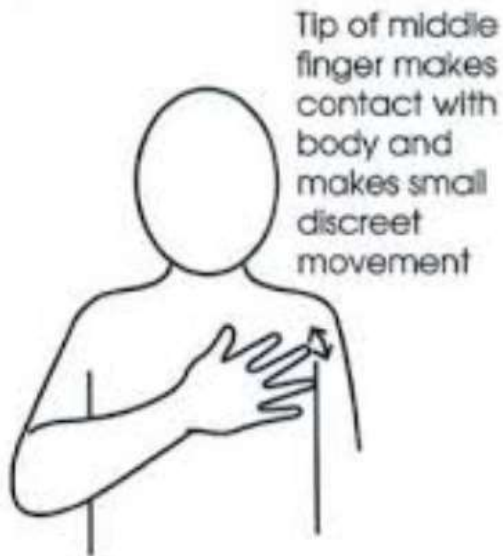
Ladybird	Lester for his amazing Phonics and reading skills!
Caterpillar	Hossanah and Afif both for writing an amazing WANTED poster for finding the dragon!
Willow	Alaiya for writing independently and challenging herself all this week! Well done Alaiya Ja'Naiya for having a brilliant attitude this week during story writing. Well done you brilliant writer!
Elder	Amelia, Aliyah & Yemaya for fantastic fraction work calculating halves, quarters and thirds of different amounts. Great work!
Beech	Blu for trying his best to make the right choices in the classroom Lexi for some great writing in English this week
Cedar	Mzee- For writing a great newspaper report Erdi - For your excellent commitment to homework
Hazel	David O for good work on rounding decimals to 1 decimal place Chelsea for good research skills on comparing the Olympic Games in the Ancient Greek period to the present.
Maple	Layla for her hard work and efforts this term across all areas- she has made fantastic progress keep it up! Mackenzie for his caring attitude and always being such a delightful member of maple class.



Makaton Sign of the Week

Every Monday the staff and the children will be learning a Makaton sign. 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 "toilet". Please practice this at home too!



Toilet

Attendance

Reception	93.4%
Year 1	92.31%
Year 2	91.83%
Year 3	90.91%
Year 4	92.45%
Year 5	95.24%
Year 6	97.98%

Please note that as directed by the Department of Education, term time holidays will not be authorised.



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 £5.50 per day

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

1 Hour £6.30 (Collection at 4:30pm)

2 Hour £12.00

Full session (2 1/2 hours) £13.65 (collection at 5:45pm)

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

We are able to offer a discount to families that wish to book full week after school club and this is charged at £66.00 per week.

Wraparound Care (ASC) will not be suitable for Nursey pupils (5 years old+) we may be able to offer wraparound care for Reception children based on numbers.

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!



Reception Reading Cafe



Our Reading Café has opened again in Reception! This week was our first session of the year and what an incredible turn out it was! Thank you for all coming along.

The Reading Café is an opportunity for you to support your child's reading development, learn new strategies to help them when reading and more importantly enjoy some quality time with your child over a book without the normal hustle and bustle of home life.

The sessions will be every week on a Tuesday 8:45 – 9am in the Classrooms.

You are invited to come along to the session with your child and share a book.



Study Bugs



Please continue to use Study Bugs when reporting your child's absence.

When stating the reason for your child's absence, please remember to specify the **exact symptoms** of the illness as these are required when marking them as 'illness' on our registers. If symptoms are not listed, it will be marked as an 'unauthorised absence'.

We are going to be phasing out using Arbor for text messages. To replace this, we will be using the in App messaging service in Study Bugs.



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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](https://www.nestschools.org/286/current-staff-vacancies) 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.

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Scooter and Cycle Safety and Parking

If you are Scootering or cycling to school, please remember to wear your helmets! We have seen a number of children who are not wearing helmets as they are riding their bikes or scooters to school. It is essential that you wear one to protect your head from injury incase you accidentally fall off.

1



Eyes: Put the helmet on your head. Look up. You should see the bottom rim of the helmet.

2



Ears: Make sure the straps form a 'V' under your ears when buckled. The straps should be a little tight but comfortable.

3



Mouth: Open your mouth as wide as you can. Does the helmet hug your head? If not, tighten the straps.

Please also be advised that parking or idling is not permitted in Karen Court Carpark, neighboring residential parking spots or on the zig zags directly outside of school. There is free parking available in the surrounding areas.



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Dates for your Diary

13/02/2026	Last Day of School
14- 20/02/2026	Half Term Holidays
23/02/2026	School Open First Day Back



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+ Thursday evenings

 **Match Days** +

+ Sundays

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- + School Year 2
- + All abilities welcome

 **Club Manager Darrell**

 **07979 143491**

 **darrell2@hotmail.co.uk**

 **Come and be part of the Hamlet family!** 





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Dog Kennel Hill Adventure Playground

DKHAP is a free playground for 8 – 12 year olds
Under 8s are welcome if accompanied by a grown-up.
We are open 11am – 5pm
16th – 20th February
Join us for outdoor adventurous play and indoor fun



Bonfire
Wednesday 18th
From 3pm
Join Davide round the fire for marshmallows, songs and good times. (weather permitting)



Screen Printing
Thursday 19th
11am – 5pm
Join Maria in the arts and crafts room and let your creativity run wild!



Design the Playground
Thursday 19th
3pm – 5pm
Join Jonny to help design a NEW part of the Adventure Playground. Come and draw, discuss, make models or create collages. We need YOUR ideas.



Storyteller's Club
Friday 20th
11am – 5pm
Join Mike, Bea and Sophie to tell stories using film, photos, shadows, animation and your imagination!

This session we will be exploring
POWER
Which powers do you wish to have?



Get in touch: info@dkhap.org.uk
Find Us: Dog Kennel Hill, SE22 8AA, next to Sainsburys



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All My Love is Bubbling Over

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For more information and to book
Use the QR code below
www.bookpebble.co.uk/activities
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info@margaretsmusicltd.com

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#ITSOKAYTOTALK

Andy's Man Club is opening a new group in South London.
It's a place for men to come together, talk, and support each other.
No pressure. No judgment.

Where: **Pecan, 121A Peckham High Street, London SE15 5SE**

When: **Every Monday, 7:00pm – 9:00pm**

Starting: **12th May**

Find out more at: andysmanclub.co.uk





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February Half Term

Family Learning Workshops with London Wildlife Trust



Nature Detectives at the Centre for Wildlife Gardening, SE15

Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th February 10am till 3pm

Discover clues to the animals around us, set some footprint, camera and other traps. Make plaster cast footprints and set your own trail. Book for one or two days.

Bushcraft in Sydenham Hill Wood SE26

Wednesday 18th February 10am till 3pm

Practise some survival skills in Sydenham Hill Wood, putting up tarps and mini fire lighting.

After Half Term

After School Bushcraft at the Centre for Wildlife Gardening

Tuesdays from 24th February to 17th March 3.45 till 5pm

Learn some bushcraft skills to help you survive outdoors!

These workshops are for **families living in Southwark**. Suitable for primary aged children but you are welcome to bring your younger and older ones too. £3 booking fee but let us know if this is too much for you. Only one free Southwark workshop per academic year (Sept-July) These are not drop-ins. Booking is required.

For more info and to book scan the QR code or visit wildlondon.org.uk/families

Any questions email: dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk



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THE PE & SCHOOL SPORTS NETWORK

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AGES 5-18

SEND SATURDAY SPORTS CLUB

OPEN EVERY SATURDAY
(TERM TIME ONLY)

OPEN TO SEND PUPILS IN SOUTHWARK

For more information please contact Glyn and George via the emails below:
Glyn Davies: glyn@lpessn.org.uk
George Richards: george@lpessn.org.uk

“The Saturday club has been a lifeline for my son. He has many friends and looks forward to going. He also uses the trampoline as a release of tension.”



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THE PE & SCHOOL SPORTS NETWORK



The Saturday sports club runs through the year at Bacon's College. The club caters for SEND students of all disabilities between the ages of 5 -18 years old. Each session lasts for 60 minutes.

There is a highly skilled and motivated team of 14 working at the club ranging from teachers, teaching assistants, coaches, and special needs specialists.

As well as improving fitness levels and health and wellbeing the club works on social skills such as listening skills, waiting, sharing, teamwork, individual work and focus.

Sports and activities change weekly – trampolining, nature trail and the gym for the older clients, volleyball, football, basketball, multi skills, tennis, cricket, badminton, boccia, new age curling, dance, parachute games, athletics, capoeira, etc.

The club currently run in 4 different sessions:

Session 1: 10:30 – 11:30

Session 2: 11:30 – 12:30

Session 3: 12:30 – 13:30

Session 4: 14:00 – 15:00

Venue:

Bacon's College, Timber Pond Road
Rotherhithe, London
SE16 6AT

“ The Network and Saturday Sports Club at Bacon's College has offered myself and family much-needed respite. Glyn, George and the team are very understanding and aware of my son's SEN needs: autism and ADHD. ”

SEND SATURDAY SPORTS CLUB

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Free wellbeing groups for new mums

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Rye Oak Children and Family Centre, SE15 3PD

Thursdays 1pm - 2.30pm
15 January - 12 February

Crawford Children and Family Centre, SE5 9NF

Thursdays, 11am - 12.30pm
6 February - 26 March

Book your place

selmind.org.uk/mindful-mums

Contact us

mindfulmums@selmind.org.uk



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Mindful Mums

Free wellbeing in pregnancy online

Pregnancy can take a real toll on your mental health. In all the excitement and preparations, many of us deal with anxiety, intrusive thoughts, doubts, fears, and overwhelming emotions. It's OK if you're not enjoying every moment.

So much attention goes to the baby, but your wellbeing matters too. **Join our free 5-week online sessions** for a calm, honest and supportive space to talk openly, listen, or just be.

Mondays, 7.30 - 8.30pm
12 January - 9 February

Tuesdays, 7.30 - 8.30pm
13 January - 9 February

Book your place

selmind.org.uk/mindful-mums

Contact us

mindfulmums@selmind.org.uk



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Helping you to give your child
the best start in life, with support
during pregnancy to the age of 5.



Download the Start for Life brochure

Packed with essential resources for parents and caregivers.
Useful information in one place to help you find a wide range of local
support and services.





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**FOR AGES 8-16 FORTNIGHTLY
SATURDAY 10.30-12.30PM**

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SATURDAYS**

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EPEC BABY & US

Baby & Us is a 9 week peer-led group which helps parents gain confidence in parenting and everyday life with a new baby (0-9 months).

This includes supporting parents in understanding baby's cues, coping with challenges around feeding, sleep, and crying, interacting positively with baby and managing parental stress.

JOIN NOW



Contact: Claire Gager or Sunshine Brand

Email: Claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk or Sunshine.Brand@southwark.gov.uk

Call: 07547 659 646 / 07597 506 898

Or scan QR code to complete registration form



WHEN IS IT ON?

STARTING WEDNESDAY 14TH JANUARY 2026

RYE OAK BEST START FAMILY HUB
WHORLTON RD, LONDON SE15 3PD

What time?

10am - 12pm



Southwark Children & Family Hub



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EPEC BEING A PARENT 1-3

For parents of children aged 1 – 3 years

This 9 week course helps parents learn practical skills for everyday life.

- Looking after yourself as a parent
- Recognise and manage your children's emotions
- Learn positive parenting strategies
- Support your children's resilience

JOIN NOW

Contact: Claire Gager

Email: Claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk
or Sunshine.Brand@southwark.gov.uk

Call: 07547 659 646 / 07597 506 898



WHEN IS IT ON?

STARTING TUESDAY 13TH JANUARY 2026

1ST PLACE BEST START FAMILY HUB
12 CHUMLEIGH STREET
LONDON
SE5 0RN

What time?
10am-12pm



Southwark Children & Family Hub



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EPEC BEING A PARENT

For parents of children aged 2 – 11 years

This 9 week course helps parents learn practical skills for everyday life.

- Looking after yourself as a parent
- Recognise and manage your children's emotions
- Learn positive parenting strategies
- Support your children's resilience

Contact: Claire Gager

JOIN NOW

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Claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk

Call: 07547 659 646



WHEN IS IT ON?

WEDNESDAYS

STARTING 14TH JANUARY 2026

CRAWFORD BEST START
FAMILY HUB
5 CRAWFORD RD,
LONDON SE5 9NF

THURSDAYS

STARTING 15TH JANUARY 2026

COIN STREET
NEIGHBOURHOOD
FAMILY & CHILDREN CENTRE
108 STAMFORD STREET,
LONDON SE1 9NH

What time?
10am-12pm



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FATHER'S GROUP



Join a 10-week course to
improve your parenting skills.

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receive advice and tips on topics such as positive
parenting, improving relationships and role modelling.

Crèche provided.

When

Friday Morning's at 10.30am - 12.30
Starting 16th January 2026

Where

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12 Chumleigh Street, Burgess Park, SE5 0RN

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TAP – IN SESSIONS

Free and stand alone information sessions for parents and carers on a range of topics.
Join us with **Thinking About Parenting** and TAP in to.....

Monday 19th January
10am - 12
MS Teams

[Parenting and Autism](#)

Thursday 29th January
10am - 12
MS Teams

[Parenting and ADHD](#)

w/c 9th Feb
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Ages and Stages](#)

w/c 23rd Feb
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Parenting Foundations](#)

w/c 2nd March
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Parental Emotional Wellbeing](#)

w/c 9th March
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Bullying Awareness](#)

w/c 16th March
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Emotional-Based School Avoidance](#)

w/c 23rd March
10am - 11.30
MS Teams

[Digital Safety](#)

Tuesday 24th March
10am
MS Teams

[Parenting and ADHD](#)

Thursday 19th March
10am
MS Teams

[Parenting and Autism](#)

All sessions held online - link will be sent out 1-2 days before session via email



TO REGISTER FOR A PLACE
[CLICK HERE](#) OR CONTACT

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junior parkrun – where everyone is



welcome

junior parkrun is a free, fun,
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Support your child's development for free

Get unlimited access by scanning the QR code*



Parenting advice and
activity ideas for children
aged from birth to five,
shared by our community
and experts.

Available for all parents
and carers in Southwark.



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In Partnership With



Nexus Education Schools Trust Talent Pool

Looking to extend your talents to other schools
within NEST and provide more support?

NEST is now offering the opportunity for any staff wishing to increase their hours and to help provide greater support with their skills to sign up to our talent pool to be considered first for any vacancies across the Trust. All choices are yours to make, meaning you can highlight which positions you would like to work in and what schools you would be willing to commute to.

If you are interested in the chance to help make a difference and enjoy new experiences at an additional school within the Trust, please head over to MyNewTerm, create an account and search for 'Nexus Education Schools Trust' under employers in 'Find a Job' which will then allow you to sign up to the talent pool. Alternatively, you can head over to the NEST website where we have a link under staff vacancies which will direct you to our MyNewTerm page.

This is not just an exclusive opportunity to existing staff within NEST so if you know any friends or family who may be interested in this venture we would love to welcome them aboard!

Thank you for your interest!

Please direct any queries to recruitment@nestschools.org



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SUCCESSFUL MUMS

Career Academy

FIND A JOB YOU LOVE

A **FREE** event for parents

**LOOKING FOR FLEXIBLE WORK?
A CAREER CHANGE? OR JUST
NEED A CONFIDENCE BOOST?**

Join us for a friendly, informal coffee morning where you'll discover hundreds of part-time and flexible jobs in your area. Whether you're returning to work, starting a business or figuring out your next move, we're here to help!



Monday 19 January



9:30 to 11:00



**Grove Primary School
(formerly Dog Kennel
Hill) SE22 8AB**

What we'll cover

- How to update your CV after a break
- Where to find local part-time and flexible jobs
- 10 great career ideas including Digital, SEN, Green roles..
- The Working in Education Course with a guaranteed interview
- The skills from parenting that employers are look for
- Links to 7 local family-friendly employers
- A 5-step action plan to make it happen!



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AUTISM SUPPORT TEAM TOILET TRAINING FOR PARENT/CARER ONLY

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR AUTISTIC CHILD TO DEVELOP TOILETING SKILLS

In partnership with the Autism Education Trust (AET) we are offering Developing Toileting Skills Training for Parent + Carers of autistic children.

Aims:

- To develop knowledge of how to support autistic children to achieve toileting independence.
- To understand the importance of working with others to support autistic children to develop independent toileting skills

Learning objectives:

- Understand how autism can impact on children developing independent toileting skills.
- Understand the importance of all adults working together to support the development of independent toileting skills.
- Consider how to remove barriers to developing toileting skills and how to make reasonable adjustments to support further toileting independence.

Free Training Online Dates:

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| • 21 st October | 9.45 – 11.45 2025 |
| • 15 th December 2025 | 12.30 – 2.30 2025 |
| • 9 th February | 9.45 – 11.45 2026 |
| • 23 rd March | 12.30 – 2.30 2026 |
| • 18 th May | 9.45 – 11.45 2026 |
| • 23 rd July | 12.30 – 2.30 2026 |
| • 6 th August | 9.45 – 11.45 2026 |
| • 13 th August | 12.30 – 2.30 2026 |

Register [here](#)

Online Microsoft Teams Training Link will be sent to your email 2 days prior to start date of training.



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Rose  **VOUCHERS**
for
fruit & veg

 **1st Place**

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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Find out more

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 Alexandra Rose Charity

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 Impact on Urban Health



HER TRIBE

A Community of Support for Women

Looking for connection, support, and a space to just be you?
Join our welcoming women's group right here in your
community.

★ **What to expect:**

- Monthly workshops on wellness, growth & empowerment
- Weekly drop-in sessions: every Wednesday, 6–8 PM
(We start on 24 September)
- A chance to meet like-minded women, share stories & build friendships
- Creche provided – so you can come stress-free

Venue: Albrighton Community Centre, SE22 8AH

**Come for the workshops, stay for the connections —
Together, we lift each other.**





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