



Grove Primary Newsletter: 10/7/2026



A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fun-filled last few weeks of term we've been having! Inside the newsletter this week show just some of the amazing trips, workshops and performances we've had this week!

Year 3 Beech Class performed their brilliant Dance performance this week for parents. We are so proud of the progress they have made in their Dance skills over this year! A huge thank you to Chantal as well for all your support throughout this year with the children!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

20
26

WED 24TH
JUNE FROM
8:45

**THE BIG DRAW
IN THE PLAYGROUND**

YEAR 6 DANCE PERFORMANCE
UPPER HALL

WED 24TH
JUNE
9:15

MON
29TH
JUNE

**SPANISH DAY
AND LUNCH**

NURSERY AND
RECEPTION SPORTS DAY

TUE 30TH
JUNE

WED
8TH
JULY

YEAR 3 DANCE PERFORMANCE
UPPER HALL

CHILDREN MEET YOUR
NEW TEACHER 2:00-3:00

MON
13TH
JULY

TUES
14TH
JULY

**KS1 AND KS2 SPORTS
DAY @ ALLEYN'S**

THURS
16TH
JULY

YEAR 6
PERFORMANCE

ART EXHIBITION 3:45-
4:15 IN THE HALL

FRI
17TH
JULY



WILLOW CLASS

OUR learning

THE LONDON EYE

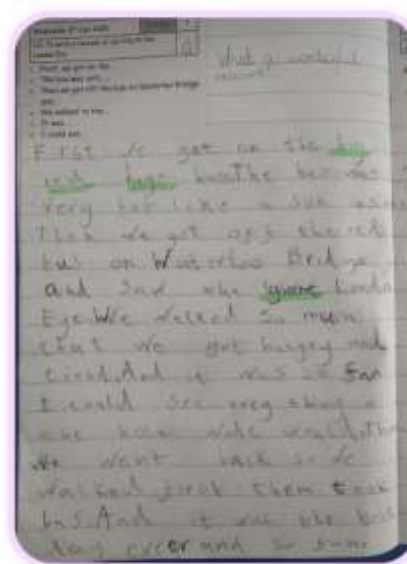
As part of our writing unit on Iggy Peck, Architect, we will be writing a booklet about famous London landmarks. This week we had a very exciting trip to The London Eye, the children loved seeing all across London for miles.

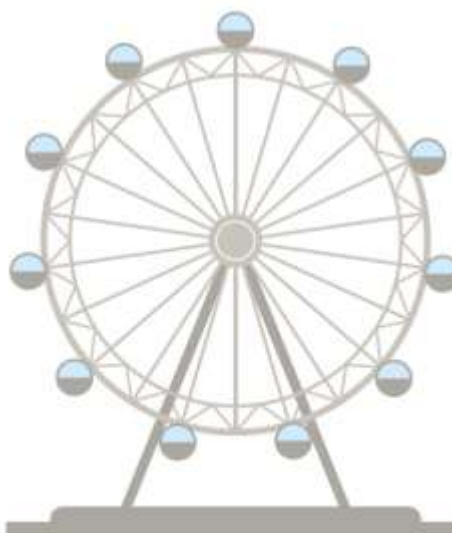




WRITING

The day after our trip, the children wrote a recount of the experience. They included very imaginative descriptions of our bus journey and going onto The London Eye! The children have come so far with their writing and should all be very proud.







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ART



Inspired by our trip, the children did some incredible art work of London Eye. We used chalk and oil pastels to create a sunset effect.



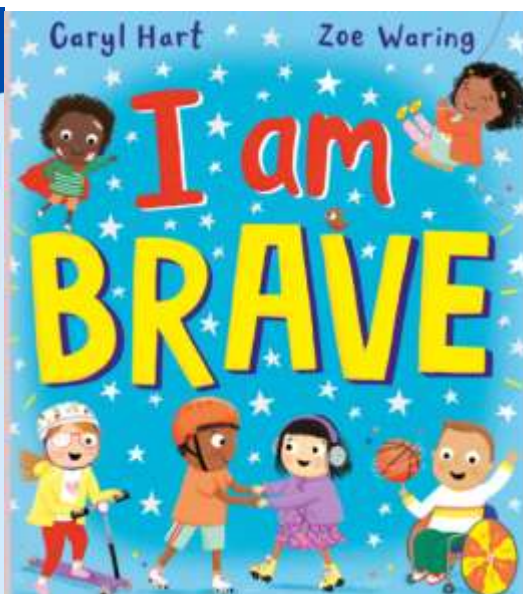


Talking Tuesday

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 Emmeline Pankhurst Day!

"Do you need to be tough to be brave?" What do you think?





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Year 6 Residential

Take a look at our Year 6's enjoying their time on the residential! A huge thank you to Ms Roshni Rahman, Ms Katie Lucas and Ms Lucy Lucas for organising and supervising the children throughout their wonderful trip!





Year 6 Dance



We caught up with our Year 6 children who were getting to grips with some new dance steps choreographed by our very own Dance Guru, Chantal Joseph of Pioneer Dance has been teaching Dance in schools for over twenty years now.

Pioneer Dance provides highly active and inspiring dance sessions across London. Established in 2004 by Chantal Joseph, the birth of the company was a chance for her and like minded fellow dance performers to share their, skills and knowledge of dance in a teaching capacity.

Take a look at our video of the practice run through shot this morning. They are looking so good! We can't wait until they have all mastered their steps and positions and we get to see the final performance. Well done Year 6 and a huge thank you to Chantal for working so hard.

<https://dkh.org.uk/dkh-news/year-6-dance-routine/>



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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	Everyone in Ladybird for their amazing performances during the Class Assembly. Nissi for demonstrating her developing confidence when sharing her ideas with her peers and her interactions within the EYFS setting!
Caterpillar	Oliver for being an excellent tidier and cleaning up after himself Afif for sensible behaviour during the teddy bear's picnic
Willow	Nurah for being a P.E superstar in this weeks lesson - well done Nurah for your excellent instruction following Oliver for writing a brilliant recount of our trip to the London Eye, well done :)
Elder	Lianne for using her sewing skills in DT to help others Jassar for showing our school value of resilience and maintaining his positive attitude when faced with a challenge
Beech	Elias for some great work exploring commutativity in maths Nadal for showing perseverance in his reading and writing this week
Cedar	Miguel & Karsten for great effort in building relationships in the playground
Hazel	Kartier for good work on adding and subtracting decimals using the column method Morolake for writing a good poem based on The Windrush Child by John Agard.

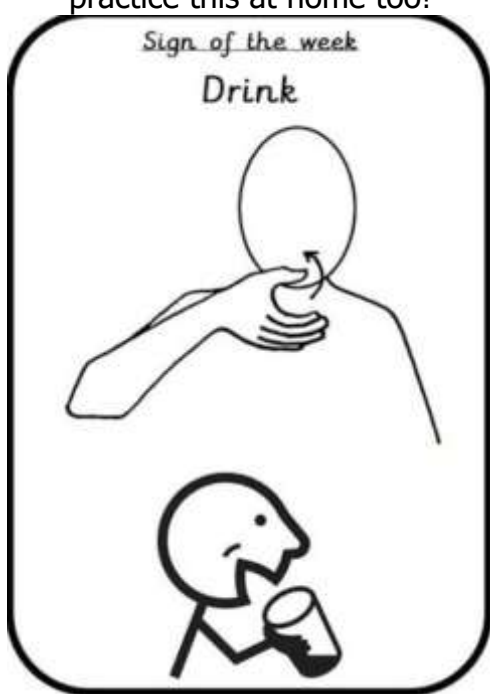


Makaton

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 signs is "drink" Please practice this at home too!



Attendance

Nursery	88.42%
Reception	90.53%
Year 1	86.21%
Year 2	90.05%
Year 3	90.2%
Year 4	87.89%
Year 5	92.02%
Year 6	93.88%

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



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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)

Full session (2 1/4 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!



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](#) 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.

<https://www.nestschools.org/286/current-staff-vacancies>



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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The Southwark HAF Summer Programme 2026 offers young people aged 8–16 an exciting range of activities, including music production, DJing, songwriting, creative arts, sports, games, wellbeing sessions, team challenges, and healthy eating workshops. Delivered in a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment, the programme helps young people build confidence, develop new skills, make positive friendships, and enjoy a fun, enriching, and memorable summer holiday experience.



https://eequ.org/book/music-klub-haf-summer-holiday-camp-2026-with-the-music-klub-31529?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=



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Enrol your child for

FREE BOOKS

How It Works

Register your child online at
ImaginationLibrary.com.

In 8-12 weeks, your child will receive
their first book, 'The Tale of
Peter Rabbit'.

Books arrive in the
mail monthly until
your child's 5th
birthday.

The month your child turns 5 they
will receive 'Just Imagine'.

REGISTER
HERE!



Register your child today at ImaginationLibrary.com

Summer Sizzler Holiday Camp

27th July - 21st August

Booking Now!

www.jaegarhco.co.uk





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Family Learning at the Thomas Calton
Centre



FREE food and fun activities for families – summer 2026 - ages 0-9 years

- Maths through stories
- Cooking
- Coding
- Arts and Crafts/Pottery
- Pottery
- Outings – water parks/museums/historical walks
- Sports/Games
- Storytime/Stay & Play

Dates: Monday 27th - Wednesday 29th July 2026/Monday 3rd –
Wednesday 5th August 2026

Time: 10am – 2pm

@ Thomas Calton Centre

Alpha St London SE15 4NX

**Book a place now (first come
first served) Spaces are limited**

call 020 7358 2100

For more information, email
patricia.thomas@southwark.gov.uk



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London Wildlife Trust
Centre for
Wildlife Gardening
28 Marsden Road,
SE15 4EE

and

Sydenham Hill Wood,
Crescent Wood Road,
London SE26 6LW

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Summer Family Workshops with London Wildlife Trust



Sunday 14th June 10 am till 3pm Exploring Lifecycles

Discover how animals change in this day of hands-on exploration of butterflies, bees and toads, plants and more.

Sunday 12th July 10 am till 3pm Magic Minibeasts

Explore high and low to find magical minibeasts in our nature garden and have fun with games, stories and activities.

Thursday 23rd July 10am till 3pm Brilliant Butterflies

Find out about our garden butterflies. Seek out caterpillars, find out how to identify them. Catch one!

Tuesday 28th July 10am till 3pm Natural Inks and Scrapbooks

Make your own inks and dyes and create your own scrapbook inspired by nature.

Wednesday 29th July 10am till 3pm Wild Woods

A fun day in Sydenham Hill Wood discovering trees and minibeasts.

Thursday 30th July 10am till 3pm Music in Nature

Discover some of the sounds of nature. Make musical instruments and your own natural music.

Workshops for all the family funded by Southwark Council.

Booking essential. Not a drop-in day. For Southwark residents. Aimed at primary aged children but you are welcome to bring your older or younger ones too.

Free, booking fee £3 but let us know if that is too much for you
email dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk

To book please
scan the QR
code or visit
wildlondon.org.uk/events





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Southwark's
SUMMER
OF FOOD AND FUN

Holiday programme for children and young people from Reception to Year 11 who get benefits-related free school meals

20 July – 28 August 2026

www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun

Scan here to book: 

<https://eequ.org/southwarkfoodandfun>

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THE MUSIC KLUB FREE SUMMER HAF CAMP 2026

This summer, children and young people aged 8-16 will have the opportunity to take part in an exciting programme of music production, DJing, creative arts, sports, games, wellbeing activities, team challenges, cooking activities, workshops, and much more. Our aim is to provide a fun, safe, and engaging environment where young people can build confidence, develop new skills, make friends, and enjoy positive experiences throughout the holidays.

WHEN

Monday 27th July - Thursday 20th August 2026
(Monday to Thursday each week)

Times:
10:30am - 3:00pm



WHERE

Albrighton Community Centre
37 Albrighton Road
East Dulwich
London
SE22 8AH

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AT: info@themusicklub.com

Further information
0207967033



FAMILY HUBS

PBS SUMMER STAY & PLAY SESSIONS

A WELCOMING SPACE FOR PARENTS, CARERS AND CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS

NO DIAGNOSIS NEEDED!



WE WELCOME FAMILIES who are finding behaviour challenging and would like support, ideas and a space to connect with others.



SPEAK TO PRACTITIONERS WHO SPECIALISE IN SEN AND BEHAVIOUR
Get advice, share experiences and find practical strategies.

JOIN US THIS SUMMER TO:

- Meet other families
- Take part in sensory and play activities
- Explore communication and regulation through play
- Learn practical ideas to support your child at home
- Share experiences and ideas with other parents and carers

SESSION DATES

- Tuesday 28th July 2026
- Tuesday 11th August 2026
- Tuesday 25th August 2026

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE OUR MICROSOFT FORM



SPACE IS LIMITED - BE SURE TO SIGN UP!

ANN BERADT FAMILY HUB
29 Chandler Way
London
SE15 6DT

12:30PM - 2:00PM



NEED MORE INFORMATION?
PBSTeam@southwark.gov.uk



DELIVERED BY
THE PBS TEAM AND
SOUTHWARK FAMILY HUBS



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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

SCAN ME



Find out more

1stplace.uk.com/rosevouchers
rosevouchers@1stplace.uk.com



Southwark
Council
[southwark.gov.uk](https://www.southwark.gov.uk)

PREPARING FOR THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

PBS DROP-IN SESSION

The summer holidays can bring changes to routines, increased demands and new challenges for families.

Join the PBS Team for an informal drop-in session to discuss any concerns, share experiences and explore practical strategies to support your child during the summer break.

THE SESSION WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO:

- ✓ Discuss challenges you may be anticipating during the holidays
- ✓ Explore practical strategies and visual supports
- ✓ Learn about local activities and services available over the summer
- ✓ Ask questions and seek advice from PBS Practitioners
- ✓ Meet and connect with other parents and carers

VENUE
Ava Barnard Family Hub
29 Chandos Way
London SE15 8DT

DATE
Tuesday 14 July 2026

TIME
12:30pm – 2:00pm

WHO CAN ATTEND?
Parents and carers of children and young people with additional needs.

NO DIAGNOSIS IS REQUIRED.

 If you have any questions, please contact the PBS Team:
PBSTeam@southwark.gov.uk



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Millwall Community Trust Summer Holiday Camps



Millwall Community Trust is delighted to announce its Summer Holiday Football Camps programme, with activities now taking place across five locations in Lewisham and Southwark.

Venues

- St Paul's Sports Ground, Rotherhithe, SE16 5EF
- The Lions Centre, Bolina Road, SE16 3LD
- Bellingham Leisure Centre, SE6 3BT
- Burgess Park, Albany Road, SE5 7JW
- St Matthew Academy, SE3 0XX



10am-3pm



5-14 year-olds



Price varies on location



Please bring a packed lunch/water bottle



Contact Eabilio@millwallcommunity.org.uk
for more information

To book onto the courses, visit





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☎ 020 7635 8155

🌐 faithchapel.org.uk

@ community@faithchapel.org.uk

198 Bellenden Road, Peckham, London SE15 4BW
(entrance on Danby Street)

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All Are Welcome
Every Friday
2pm - 7pm

Starting Friday 29th May 2026

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| Warm Space | Cookery & Wellbeing Classes |
| Signposting to Local Services |
| Fellowship & Encouragement |



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KINETIKA BLOCO JUNIOR SUMMER SCHOOL

Join us for **Junior Summer School** with 140 young people from South London learning Dance, Brass, Woodwind, Steel Pans and Drums together to create a carnival performance in just 5 days.

**27th July - 31st July
2026**

10am - 4pm

Suggested donation of £15
(free places available for those who need it)

Where

Hitherfield Primary School & Children's Centre
Leigham vale Streatham,
London, SW16 2JQ

Who

Young people
aged 8-13
years

What to do

You MUST book in advance.

For more information and sign-up visit

www.kinetikabloco.co.uk/join-us/#junior-summer-school

We also run a Summer School for young people aged 14-25. Check out the website for more info!

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If you have any questions or need help with the form please get in touch on 020 7960 4232 or with Shayanna at shayanna@kinetikabloco.co.uk

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SATURDAY FORTNIGHTLY

Learn real studio skills. Work as a team. Ages 8-16



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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 at five days per week, or part-time over two years at 2.5 days per week for a more flexible pathway.



✓ Hands-On Classroom Experience

You'll be actively involved in the classroom from the start, but we'll build your responsibilities gradually to allow you to develop your practice and build confidence.



✓ 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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