



Weekly Newsletter # 16 – 12 January 2024

Welcome back!



It has been lovely to welcome all the children back, they have made a brilliant start to the new term!

POP Voucher Reminder

If you have not redeemed your post office voucher for the Christmas holiday period you must do so within 1 month of the voucher being sent to you. If you do not cash the voucher by the deadline it will expire and cannot be used.

If you have not received your voucher or the voucher does not work, please complete the online form and Southwark will action for you: https://forms.southwark.gov.uk/ShowForm.asp?fm_fid=2246



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Yoga Bugs

We have bought into the **YogaBugs** Virtual Programme for our School, and this includes access to **YogaBugs** videos and mindfulness techniques for you and your children. Please see below instruction on how to access your **YogaBugs** Parent Portal.

We are working closely with **YogaBugs** in school to help all our children, teachers and parents with their mental health and overall wellbeing. On the **YogaBugs** Parent Portal you will have access to Yoga and Mindfulness videos, chair yoga for you to try, along with helpful mindfulness activities and visualisations that you can use for you whole family.

The benefits of you using sessions are huge, click the QR code below to find out more:



To register and log into your portal please click on the link below and register your details: www.yogabugsvirtual.com

You will need to select parents and click to register as a new user. Complete the details requested and select **school** for the eCode type. The eCode you need to enter is: **john-ruskin-primary-school-southwark-2234**

*** please note your access codes cannot be shared with anyone else, the school has signed a confidentiality agreement ***



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Spring Term Afterschool Clubs

[Link to Spring Term Afterschool Clubs](#)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Tennis KS2 3.30-4.30pm Big playground First session: 15.1.24 Last session: 18.3.24 (TA-Olivia) FREE	 Tennis (Yr1&2) 3.30-4.30pm Big playground First session: 16.1.24 Last session: 19.3.24 (TA- Jennifer) FREE	 (Y5/6) Topical Talk 3.30-4.30pm (TA-Snejzna)	 Homework Club 3.30-4.30pm LU Bottom hall (Yr2) First session: 11.1.24 Last session: 8.2.24 (Yr6) First session: 22.2.24 Last session: 21.3.24 (TA-Sandra and Kadam) FREE	 Hockey (Y3&4) 3:30-4:30pm Big Playground First session: 19.1.24 Last session: 22.3.24 (TA-Sandra & Olivia) FREE
 Arts & Craft (Y1&2) LU Bottom hall 3:30-4:30pm First session: 15.1.24 Last session: 18.3.24 (TA- Anastasia & Hayley) PAID - £25.00	 Book Club Y3/4 (TA-Snejzna)	 Football Club (Y5/6 alternating) 3.30-4.30pm Big Playground First session: 17.1.24 Y6 Last session: Y5 (TA-Anastasia) FREE	 Ukulele Club Yr2,3,4,5&6 3:30-4:30pm Music Room First session: 18.1.24 Last session: 21.3.24 (Teacher- Cedric TA- Anastasia) PAID - £25.00	 Cooking Yr 3 3:30-4:30pm LU Bottom hall First session: 19.1.24 Last session: 22.3.24 (TA-Kadam) PAID - £25.00
	 Balance Biking (Reception) 3.30-4.15pm First session: 16.1.24 Last session: 19.3.24 (Sandra & Denise) FREE	 Gardening Club (Y2) 3:30-4:30pm First session: 17.1.24 Last session: 20.3.24 (Belindy & Hayley) PAID - £25.00	 Guitar/ Ukulele Club (KS1 & KS2) Lilac Room during school hours Teacher: Cedric (Please contact Cedric for a session: fangeatc@yahoo.fr)	 Yoga (Y1) Bottom Hall 3:30-4:30pm First session: 19.1.24 Last session: 22.3.24 (TA- Vera & Jaqui) FREE
		 Chess Club Yr 4 (TA-Vera)	 Boxing Club Y5/6 Top Hall 3.30-4.30pm First session: 18.1.24 Last session: 21.3.24 (TA- Ghania) FREE	
		 Ballet (Reception & Y1) Bottom Hall 3:30-4:30pm First session: 17.1.24 Last session: 20.3.24 (TA-Ghania) FREE	 Netball Yr3,4 & 5 3.30-4.30pm First session: 18.1.24 Last session: 21.3.24 (TA- Jennifer) FREE	



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New Family Support Worker – Donna Duke



Here to Help About me:

Hi, my name is Donna Duke and I am employed by an independent education charity called School-Home Support (SHS). I work in partnership with your school to support children and their families to get the most from the educational opportunities on offer. I can help with advice and information and practical and emotional support.

Contact details

Tel: - 07811-998-067

(you can call or text)

Email: Donna.duke@shs.org.uk

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School Home Support

School-Home Support is a charity working with children and families to maximise educational opportunities and improve life chances. Partnering with schools, local authorities and families, we look beyond the classroom to understand and tackle the issues affecting children's learning, such as housing, poverty and mental health. Since 1984, we have used early intervention to break intergenerational cycles of deprivation and low aspiration, replacing them with children in school and ready to learn.

For more information please visit
www.shs.org.uk

Registered charity in England and Wales
(No. 1084696).



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Children in school,
ready to learn

**Meet Your SHS Family
Support Practitioner
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Sponsored Dance

FOJR are asking every class to do a sponsored dance in their PE slots at school in the first half term to help raise money for an Interactive White Board for the top hall.

Please could friends and family encourage their child by sponsoring in one of two ways: **amount per minute** OR a **donation amount** for completing the entire dance session.

Teachers will hand out sponsorship forms and children will be given a piece of paper to show how successful they have been.
Thank you for your support.



Sign of the Week



Signs of the Week is 'Happy New Year' | 'Happy' | 'Sad'

You can access the videos via the link [Signing 2023-24](#)



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Curriculum in Action - RE

Curriculum in Action Religious Education

The youngest children- in nursery, reception and year 1- begin their R.E. learning by thinking about their own experiences, communities and beliefs and sharing these with their classmates. They begin to learn about others' beliefs and start to make connections and comparisons.



I was drawing fireworks.



I was painting fireworks. It was Diwali.

The nursery children enjoyed learning about different festivals. Fireworks play a part in lots of celebrations.

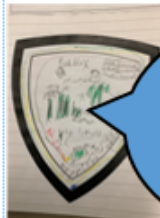
The children in Brandon Nursery learnt the story of Rama and Sita which Hindus remember at Diwali.



Rangoli patterns



Year One are learning about what it means to be a Christian. They began by thinking about the communities that they belong to and the things, people and books that are special to them.



R.E. is called religion education. I drew a roblox sign because I love roblox. I also wrote a prophet. It's prophet Mahamed, Sallallahu Alayhi Wa Sallam.



We've been learning about different religions. Like Christian and Muslim. We made badges to show what we like and love.



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Our Uniform Supplier

We have been working with Earth Uniform for a year now and by buying their uniform items you are making a contribution towards some of the sustainability projects they have been working on.

Earth Uniform – January 2024 Newsletter



Earth Uniform and Ecologi

One of things we are most proud of with the Earth Uniform service is the partnerships that we have formed to drive our sustainability programme. Whilst we are having ongoing conversations with other partners at the moment which we are hoping to share with you very soon, our first partnership was formed with Ecologi. We are so excited to announce that since working with them we have now worked with them to plant over 6,000 trees and helped them drive many exciting projects across the world. Two of the projects that we have supported them are with projects in Kenya and Tanzania.

Mau Region - Kenya

We have been supporting Ecologi with a project they are undertaking in the Mau Region as this was an area that was severely affected by deforestation in the 1970's and caused widespread damage and degradation of its land. The Eden reforestation project aims to work with locals to plant, grow and mature the trees planted to restore the forest ecosystem and help drive employment in the area.

Project Iringa – Tanzania

Tanzania has gone through increased urbanisation over the last 30 years, and it is estimated that the country has lost one third of its eco system and within its natural forests and woodland. Project Iringa works with local farmers to work to a programme to plant more fruit and timber trees to improve agricultural sustainability and help create new business and market opportunities.

We have lots more information about both these projects and lots of the other projects that we work with Ecologi on that we would be more than happy to supply information to you. As you are aware when we first started working with you, we want to really drive the sustainability benefits of our uniform supplier and we are passionate about pupils knowing about the good that comes from wearing our garments.

If you have any feedback about our uniform provision, please email office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk



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Key information for week commencing 15 January 2024

Monday 15 January

2.00 Burgundy swimming

Tuesday 16 January

10.00-10.30 Turquoise Class swimming

10.30-11.00 Scarlet Class swimming

Wednesday 17 January

Thursday 18 January

Am Police in for safety assemblies – KS1 Clever never goes missing, LKS2 Personal safety, UKS2 Weapons & rights

Pm Year 5 PSHE workshop – gangs and drugs

Friday 19 January

2.00 Vermilion swimming

Forthcoming Dates

Monday 22 January

Year 3 trip to Brockwell Park

Tuesday 20 February 2024

Reception and Year 6 Height & Weight Measurements

Thursday 22 February

Year 2 trip to London landmarks

Monday 18 to Friday 22 March 2024

Year 5 School Journey to Kingswood

Thursday 6 June

Year 2 trip to Florence Nightingale Museum



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