



Weekly Newsletter #35 – 21 June 2024

Parents Evening Reminder

Parents Evening meetings for Summer Term 2024 are as follows:

Main School

Tuesday 25 June

Language Unit

Lime Class - Monday 24 June

Purple Class Tuesday 25 June

Red Class - Wednesday 26 June

All appointments can be booked online. Everyone has been sent a link to book an appointment. If you have not received this, please call the office on 0207 7035800 or email office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk

As always, there will be a creche in the Bottom Hall.





Florence Nightingale Museum Trip – Green Class

Green class had a wonderful trip up to the Florence Nightingale Museum at St. Thomas hospital on Wednesday 19 June.

We travelled there by bus and when we got to the museum, we were greeted by Florence Nightingale herself! She brought us into the museum and the children sat on the floor as she gave a wonderful talk about her growing up, her family, why she wanted to become a nurse, the Crimean war and her life after she returned to England. Some of the children were invited up to be a part of the talk by taking on various roles. The children did themselves and the school proud by being able to answer all of the questions that were put to them, including the name of her pet owl (Athena, by the way, that was courtesy of Aryanna). The children then got to take part in a treasure hunt around the museum and they had to find 15 items that were linked to Florence herself, such as the Nightingale badge, her early nurse's uniform, and the medicine box she used. There were period costumes for the children to try on as well during their visit around the museum as well as toys of the time also.

It was very different from what they are used to today! All in all, Green Class had a wonderful day and their behaviour was absolutely impeccable throughout. They got a lot out of it so I hope you will talk to your children about their time there. A big thank you to Rosa Anderson (Talia's mum) and Caddy Pettard (Lennon's mum) for generously giving up their time and coming the trip with us. The children and I greatly appreciate it.

Dr P. Flood

Green Class teacher



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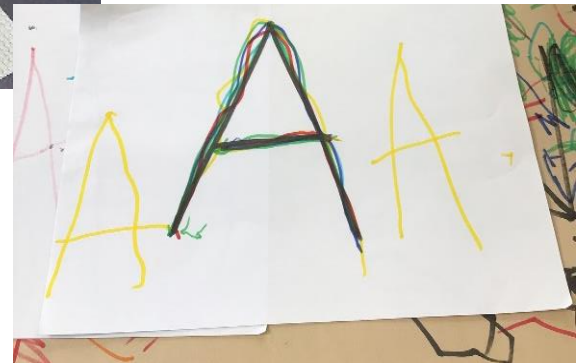
In the Nurseries, we are thinking about growing



Our older children have been thinking about starting school. We have been working on our skills to help us to be more independent in Reception. We have been learning to be resilient, we keep trying, even if we find it tricky. We have also been thinking about how we feel about leaving nursery and starting in a new class or school.



Our younger children have been developing preferences. We have been thinking about the toys and games we enjoy now we are bigger. We have been trying new games and experiences, we have also been working on our resilience, trying something new, even if we are not too sure if we will like it.



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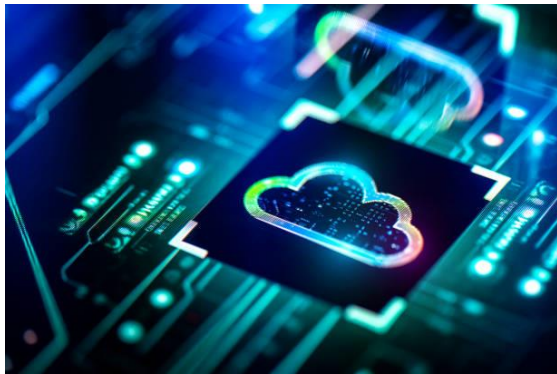
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Sign of the Week

Signs of the week are **Computing** and **PE**

[Signing 2023-24](#)



London Art Week – 27 June

To celebrate London Art week, which takes place later this month, we have invited a professional textile artist to talk to the children about art through embroidery.

Some children will also be taking part in exciting workshops to design their own t-shirt. This will be taking place on the 27 June.

For information about London Art week visit their website - <https://londonartweek.co.uk/>



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Drama, dance and singing holiday courses for 4–10s
July & August

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— A fantastic, positive holiday camp... my daughter comes away with new friends and a joyful confidence in her own ability.
Rebecca Dawes

Summer fun for 4–10 year olds

Superhero School is the place to be this July and August for an action-packed Top Secret Mission to save the world!

With singing, dancing, twirling and swooping, your child will discover their own special powers as they zoom towards a supercharged show for family and friends.

Your child will enjoy:

- Days packed with drama, dance and singing
- Energetic friendly team of actors, dancers and musicians
- Engaging arts and crafts activities
- Colourful performance on the last day for friends and family with original music and costumes
- Personalised certificate of achievement for every child

How to book

Visit perform.org.uk/superheroes to book online or to find out more call us on 020 7255 9120

Course T-shirts are required at a cost of £8.50. We offer a 25% discount for siblings attending the same holiday course at the same venue. Payment can be made by credit/debit card or childcare vouchers. See our website for Terms & Conditions and our refund policy.

Your child should bring a water bottle and a nut-free packed lunch. For prices, see website for details.

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Venues

See website for timings and prices.

Five Day Courses

Monday 22nd — Friday 26th July

Beaconsfield, Cambridge, Clapham South, Highbury, Kensington (2 venues), St John's Wood and Wimbledon

Monday 29th July — Friday 2nd August

Chelsea, Harrow, Highgate, Islington, Radlett, Sevenoaks, Twickenham, Walton-On-Thames, West Hampstead and Winchester

Monday 5th — Friday 9th August

Blackheath, Chigwell, Fulham, Guildford, Kensington, Muswell Hill, Notting Hill, Richmond, St Albans, Tunbridge Wells and Walthamstow Village

Monday 12th — Friday 16th August

Chelmsford, Chiswick, Chobham, Clapham South, Crouch End, Greenwich, Highbury, Reading, Reigate, St John's Wood and Wendover

Monday 19th — Friday 23rd August

Beckenham, Brentwood, Chelsea, Clerkenwell, Dulwich, Fulham, Primrose Hill, Tufnell Park, Wanstead, Wimbledon and Wokingham

Four Day Courses

Tuesday 27th — Friday 30th August

Barbican, Herne Hill, Highbury, Kensington, Newington Green, Northwood and St John's Wood

Three Day Course

Wednesday 28th — Friday 30th August

Notting Hill



— An incredible place to spend a week. Julia Xie



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Dates for week commencing 24 June

Monday 24 June

All day Year 3 out to *Horniman Museum* - <https://www.horniman.ac.uk/>
2.00-2.30 Burgundy Class swimming
From 3.30 Lime Class Parents Evening

Tuesday 25 June

All day White Class out to Brockwell Park
10.00-10.30 Turquoise Class swimming
10.30-11.00 Scarlet Class swimming
3.40-7.00 Main School & Purple Class (not Year 6) Parents Evening

Wednesday 26 June

From 3.30 Red Class Parents Evening

Thursday 27 June

Friday 28 June

All day Year 6 out to *Chessington* - <https://www.chessington.com/>
2.00 Vermilion swimming

Forthcoming Dates

Monday 8 July

9.30-10.30
Sports event for Reception

Tuesday 9 July

9.30-10.30
Sports Event for Years 1 and 2

Tuesday 9 July

All day
Yellow Class out to *The Ballet School* - <https://www.theballetschoolondon.com/>

Wednesday 10 July

9.30-10.30
Sports Event for Years 3 and 4



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Thursday 11 July

9.30-10.30

Sports Event for Years 5 and 6

Friday 12 July

Y6 Results Day

Monday 22 July

Year 6 Leavers assembly for parents

Last day for Year 6 pupils

Tuesday 23 July

Children's last day of term – school closes at 2pm

You can find the 2024/25 Academic Year term dates via the link: [Term Dates 2024-25](#)



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