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Weekly Newsletter # 2 – 13 September 2024

Meet the Teacher

Our first parent's meeting of the academic year is a 'Meet the Teacher' event. This will be on:

Tuesday 24 September 2024

3.40 – 7.00 Main school classes
3.30 – 6.00 Language Unit classes

At this first meeting your child's teacher will take the opportunity to meet with you and get to know your child better. They will ask you questions about your child, explain the term's curriculum and talk about how your child has settled in their new class and any needs they have identified for your child. So please do use this opportunity to help your child's class teacher get to know more about your child and give them any information that is important.

All appointments can be booked online. Everyone will be sent a link to book an appointment on Monday. If you do not receive this, please email office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk

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



We look forward to seeing you at our 'Meet the Teacher' event.



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Afterschool Clubs – Starts Next Week

All afterschool clubs start next week, see below timetable (and via this link: [Afterschool Clubs - Autumn Term 2024](#)):

Clubs Timetable for Autumn 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <p>Tennis KS2 3.30-4.30pm Big playground First session: 16.9.24 Last session: 9.12.24 (TA- Olivia) FREE</p>	 <p>Tennis (Yr1&2) 3.30-4.30pm Big playground First session: 17.9.24 Last session: 10.12.24 (TA- Jennifer) FREE</p>	 <p>Homework Club 3.30-4.30pm LU Bottom hall (Yr3) First session: 11.9.24 Last session: 23.10.24 (Yr1) First session: 7.11.24 Last session: 11.12.24 (TA- Sandra and Sharon) FREE</p>	 <p>Guitar/ Ukulele Club (KS1 & KS2) Lilac Room during school hours Teacher: Cedric (Please contact Cedric for a session: fangeat@yahoo.fr)</p>	 <p>Hockey (Y3&4) 3:30-4:30pm Big Playground First session: 20.9.24 Last session: 13.12.24 (TA- Sandra & Olivia) FREE</p>
 <p>Arts & Craft (Y2) 3:30-4:30pm First session: 16.9.24 Last session: 9.12.24 (TA- Anastasia & Michelle) PAID £35</p>	 <p>Knitting/crochet Club Y5/6 3.30-4.30pm ICT breakout room First session: 17.9.24 Last session: 10.12.24 (TA- Snejzna & Anastasia) PAID £25</p>	 <p>Football Club 3.30-4.30pm Big Playground First session: 18.9.24 Last session: 11.12.24 (TA- Belindy) FREE</p>	 <p>Netball Yr3&4 3.30-4.30pm First session: 19.9.24 Last session: 12.12.24 (TA- Berekti) FREE</p>	 <p>Cooking Yr 2 3:30-4:30pm LU Bottom hall First session: 20.9.24 Last session: 13.12.24 (TA- Kadam) PAID £30</p>
		 <p>Ballet (Y1) Bottom Hall 3:30-4:30pm First session: 18.9.24 Last session: 11.12.24 (TA- Ghania) FREE</p>		 <p>Yoga (Y1) Bottom Hall 3:30-4:30pm First session: 20.9.24 Last session: 13.12.24 (TA- Sharon & Michelle) FREE</p>
		 <p>Chess Club Yr 4 (TA- Vera) FREE</p>		

You should have received confirmation today of the club your child(ren) will be attending. If you have any questions relating to clubs, please email the office via office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk



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Friendship Bench

Have you noticed a brightly, coloured bench in the playground?

It's our new friendship bench.



You can sit on the friendship bench if you are feeling lonely. Maybe, you want someone to talk to, play with or just make some new friends. On Wednesday's, our special Y5 playground friends will be out at lunchtime. They wear a yellow cap so you will know who they are. They will play with you and they know lots of good games.

This Wednesday, Nana, Osama and Luis were there.



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The other playground friends
will be ... Rayhan, Rolan,
Fareedah, Hiyam, Isha and
Mihran.



Remember...you can use the bench on the other days too. If you see someone sitting on the bench, why not go over and see if they would like to chat or play?

Exciting Music Lessons Returning to John Ruskin Primary School – Sign Up Now!

We are thrilled to announce that Cedric, our talented and enthusiastic music teacher, will be returning to John Ruskin next week! After a fantastic year of private music lessons that led many students to achieve impressive grades, Cedric is back and eager to inspire even more young musicians.

This year, Cedric will be offering the following music lessons on a 1-to-1 basis:

- Guitar
- Piano
- Ukulele

In addition to individual lessons, we are exploring the possibility of offering group sessions for Ukulele and Guitar, available at a reduced rate. These group classes will depend on demand and the skill levels of interested students.

Cedric will be at John Ruskin on Mondays and Fridays.

For pricing details, information on grading, recommended books, or any other inquiries, please reach out to Cedric directly by phone or text at 07923 991893.

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to nurture your child's musical talent with one of our best instructors!



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Coding Club at Brandon Library



Coderdojo plan

Brandon Library - Southwark
Maddock Way, London Se17 3nh
Thursdays From 16:30 To 17:30

Thursday 19 September 2024	Scratch - Intro For All Ages
Thursday 26 September 2024	Scratch - Explore Projects
Thursday 3 October 2024	Scratch - Explore Projects
Thursday 10 October 2024	Scratch - Design Projects
Thursday 17 October 2024	Scratch - Design Projects

Brandon_library.Uk@Coderdojo.Com





Nasal/Injectable Flu Vaccination session: Reception to Year 6 - REMINDER

Southwark Nursing Team will be carrying out the annual Flu Vaccinations for all children in Reception to Year 6 in school on **Wednesday 25 September**.

Please see link for further information about the process and why it is important for your child to have the vaccination: [Flu 2024-25](#)

5 reasons to get your child vaccinated

- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare



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Please confirm your consent by scanning the QR code below and completing the online form for each of your children in school or complete via the link: [Flu Immunisation 2024-25](#) or by scanning the QR code:

Year 6 Secondary School Transfer



All Year 6 parents have now received information regarding the Secondary School transfer meeting and application process. Secondary Schools in Southwark are holding a number of Open Days throughout September and October. You can find dates of the Open Days via the link - [Southwark Secondary School Open Days 2024](#)

Secondary school transfer meeting is on Thursday 19 September at 3.45pm

Individual School Photos and Family Groups

The photographer will be in school on Thursday 17 October for individual and family group photos. If wish to have a family group photo, please bring your children into school at 8.00am. You will need to stay with your children at this time – so please do not send unaccompanied children into school. **No family group pictures will be taken after 8.45am.** Please arrive promptly at 8.00am if you wish family groups to be photographed together.

Normal individual photographs will be taken of each child during the school day.

Reminder: School uniform must be worn as usual on this day.



Main School, John Ruskin Nursery and Language Unit: Thursday 17 October 2024

Brandon Nursery: Friday 18 October 2024



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Secondhand Uniform – more items added!

We have added lots more items to our secondhand website, many of which are brand new items that have been donated by our uniform supplier!

You can see what is available via the site - <https://uniformerly.co.uk/search-listings/?q=&c=17273>



Cleaner Greener Safer



Improve your local area to make it cleaner, greener, and safer

Share your suggestions for permanent physical changes, such as a new playground, food growing planters, lighting, cycle parking, and zebra crossings.

Apply at www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreenersafer between 9 September and 13 October 2024

Cleaner Brandon Estate community mural



Greener St Marychurch Street oasis garden



Safer Rodney Road Estate Playground



Telephone 020 7525 4502
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Dates for week commencing 16 September

Monday 16 September

2.00-2.30 Burgundy Class swimming

Tuesday 17 September

10.00-10.30 Turquoise Class swimming

10.30-11.00 Scarlet Class swimming

Wednesday 18 September

Thursday 19 September

3.45 Year 6 national test and secondary transfer meeting, bottom hall

Friday 20 September

2.00 Vermilion swimming

Forthcoming Dates

Year 6 national test and secondary transfer meetings for parents

Thursday 19 September; 3.45pm

Meet the Teacher parents evening

Tuesday 24 September; 3.40pm to 7pm

Black History Month

October 2024

National Poetry Day – Theme: Counting

Thursday 3 October

October Half Term Holiday

Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November

Book Fair

Thursday 7 November – Wednesday 13 November



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