

Weekly Newsletter

#25

21 March 2025



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Message from John Bulwer, Chair of Governors

As you are aware, Clare Tayton, our Headteacher, has decided to retire at the end of the school year. We are very sorry to be losing the Headteacher who has been a part of the leadership team for so many years and who has been responsible for the success and high standards of the school over this time. We shall be expressing our thanks to her and acknowledging her achievements at an appropriate time towards the end of the school year, but at present the governing body with the local authority are in the process of appointing a successor to lead the school on towards continuing success in the future. The new head will build on the solid foundations laid by Clare to continue the outstanding standards already achieved.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel



We have some exciting news for you! We are taking part in *Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel*, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 24 March- 4 April 2025. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

What do you need to do?

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, use a wheelchair, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

Why we are taking part

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing. Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school and that children thought active travel was the best way to bring down these pollution levels. Plus, there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part!

Useful resources

To help you prepare, *Sustrans* has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school. [Download your free family guide](#) using this link: [Sign up to receive your free school run guide - Sustrans.org.uk](#). For more information about the event go to www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk Enjoy the challenge!

Miss Cane (PSHE coordinator)

Message about Lost

Property



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This is a reminder to ensure that you write your child's name in their belongings to ensure that uniform and other items are not lost. If your child accidentally takes home another child's belongings, please return this to your child's teacher as soon as possible. Thank you.

Music Performances

The central invitation box is decorated with various musical notes and stars in blue, yellow, and black. The text is centered and reads:

YOU'RE INVITED!

*** Music Performance**

JRS will be having another whole school music performance where every class will perform.

*** KS1 on Wednesday 26th March 2.45pm**

KS2 on Thursday 27th March 2.45pm

Performances will take place in the **bottom hall.**



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Asda Cashpot for Schools

A few months ago, we shared the Asda Rewards scheme with you where pounds spent instore or online can be converted into funding for schools.

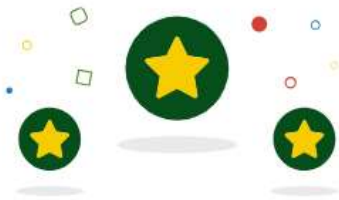
We are pleased to announce that in the Asda Rewards app, John Ruskin Primary School and Language Classes raised **£155.43**.

This will go towards the school's sensory wall.

<https://rewards.asda.com/>

What is Asda Rewards and the benefits

Download the app and start scanning. It's that simple. Across your store and online, you'll find lots of ways to build your own Asda Rewards Cashpot.



Rewards Pounds

Complete missions and purchase star products to earn Pounds and build your Cashpot



Vouchers

Then convert your Cashpot into vouchers for money off at Asda



Missions

Complete Missions to keep building your Cashpot



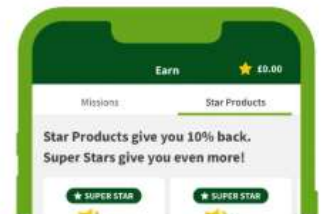
Star Products

Star Products give you 10% back into your Cashpot and Super Stars give you even more



Cashpots

All your Reward earnings from Asda Rewards build into your Cashpot. Spending is simple - you can convert your Cashpot into vouchers up to £100, making it even easier to save on your shop



App

To use all our features, download the Asda Rewards app, and log in. If you're new to Asda, you can register in the app. Use the app to track your progress



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Sign of the Week



This week's sign is How/Why - [Signing 2024-25](#)

Training Opportunities

Apprenticeships



Off the job training.

Off-the-job training is a mandatory part of an apprenticeship. It takes place outside regular work duties during the apprentice's normal working hours and is essential for developing the knowledge, skills, and behaviours needed to successfully complete the apprenticeship.

Examples of apprentice off-the-job training.

Observations & shadowing.

Visiting other departments.

Attending workshops/teaching sessions.

Research & independent learning.

Stepping up & covering other roles.

Attending industry events, webinars & conferences.

Chairing meetings.

Professional discussions.



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Futsal for Girls

Click the link for [More info](#)

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FREE
GRASSROOTS
INTRODUCTION TO FUTSAL

EASTER CAMP

**WEDNESDAY
9TH APRIL**

**SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER**

FUTSAL FOR GIRLS

SOUTHBANK ACADEMY UNIVERSITY **TRAFALGAR ST, SE17 2TP**

SCHOOL YEARS: 1 & 2 - 11-12PM 3 & 4 - 12-1PM
5 & 6 - 1-2PM 7 & 8 - 2-3PM



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Southwark Council Bulletin

Read here: [Latest news](#)



Key Events for Week Commencing 24 March 2025

Monday

2.00-2.30 **Burgundy Class swimming**

Tuesday

10.00-10.30 **Turquoise Class swimming**

10.30-11.00 **Scarlet Class swimming**

Wednesday

9.30-9.35 **Orange class assembly**

10.35-10.50 **Orange class assembly**

Am **Year 4 cricket**

2.45 **KS1 Music Performance**

Thursday

All day **Fix a bike workshops Year 5**

Am **Orange Class out to Burgess Park**

2.45 **KS2 Music Performance**

Friday

2.00-2.30 **Vermilion Class swimming**

Forthcoming Dates

Friday 4 April

Reward morning

Last day of spring term - school finishes 2.00pm

Monday 7 April – Monday 21 March

Easter Holiday

Wednesday 23 April

First day of Summer Term



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Thursday 24 April

Year 5 Homework Club (for 5/6 weeks)

Monday 12-15 May

SATS for Year 6

Friday 23 May

Reward afternoon for children

Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Half Term

Useful Links

School term dates 25-26 - [Term Dates 2025-26](#)

Our website – www.johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk

School caterer - www.harrisoncatering.co.uk

Uniform supplier – www.earthuniform.com/collections/john-ruskin-primary-school

Secondhand uniform supplier – uniformerly.co.uk/search-listings/?q=&c=17273

The Nest - thenestsouthwark.org.uk

Chess in Schools - www.chessinschools.co.uk

Southwark Council – www.southwark.gov.uk

Camberwell Leisure Centre - southwarkleisure.co.uk/centres/camberwell-leisure-centre

Parentkind - www.parentkind.org.uk

Children's Commissioner - www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk

Department for Education - www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education

Ofsted - www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted

NHS - www.nhs.uk

TFL - travelforlife.tfl.gov.uk

