

# Robert Browning, Snowfields and Tower Bridge Primary Schools

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## Newsletter 13th January 2023

Dear Parents,

Some of our classes across the Federation are busily preparing and practising their class assemblies which they are so excited to present to you in person. Please see the 'Dates For Your Diary' box for your child's class assembly date.

Our School Councillors have chosen the NSPCC as the charity they would like us to fundraise for this term. This fundraising event will take place on **Wednesday 8th February**.

We are planning for the children to take part in NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe assemblies and activities during the day. Please find more information about the Speak out, Stay safe programme here:

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-stay-safe>

At **Snowfields and Robert Browning** the School Council would like the children in each class to wear an item of clothing or accessory in their class colour e.g. Red class wears something red and **donate £1** to the NSPCC. Nursery and Reception and Rainbow classes can wear lots of different colours!

At **Tower Bridge** the School Council would like all the children to wear green and **donate £1** to the NSPCC.

Have a restful and relaxing weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday at 8:45am. .

### NURSERY PARENTS

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 they are due to start in Reception class in September 2023. You must complete the online application process by midnight on Sunday **15th January 2023**. Please speak to a member of the leadership team if you require any support with this. Here is the link to the **eadmissions website**

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>

### Dates For Your Diary

#### Tower Bridge

**Friday 20th January**- Year 5 Class Assembly  
**Thursday 26th January**- Year 3 Class Assembly  
**Friday 3rd February** - Year 4 Class Assembly  
**Tuesday 7th February**- Safer Internet Day  
**Wednesday 8th February** - NSPCC Day  
**1st March**- Parent and Pupil Review meetings

#### Robert Browning

**19th January**- Year 3 Class Assembly  
**27th January**- Year 5 Class Assembly  
**2nd February**- Year 4 Class Assembly  
**7th February**- 'Safety' Day  
**8th February** - NSPCC Day  
**1st March**- Parent and Pupil Review meetings

#### Snowfields

**18th January** - Year 3/ Yellow class assembly 2:55pm  
**25th January** - Year 5/ Blue class assembly 2:55pm  
**1st February** - Year 4/ Green class assembly  
**7th February** - Safer Internet Day  
**8th February** - NSPCC Day  
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#### Term Dates - 2022 - 2023

##### Autumn term

Monday 5 September - Friday 21 October 2022  
**Half Term Monday 24 October - Friday 28 October 2022**  
Monday 31 October - Friday 16 December 2022

##### Spring term

Wednesday 4 January - Friday 10 February 2023  
**Half Term Monday 13 February - Friday 17 February 2023**  
Monday 20 February - Friday 31 March 2023

##### Summer term

Tuesday 18 April - Friday 26 May 2023  
**Half Term Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June 2023**  
Monday 5 June - Friday 21 July 2023

### Job Notice

**Chapter 72** and **Fel Fel** cafes on Bermondsey Street are looking to recruit café assistants to complete their growing team. Their working hours are 11:00 am to 15:00 which would be ideal for some of our parents. Should you wish to apply for a position please email Rob the café owner at [info@chapter-72.com](mailto:info@chapter-72.com)



# SPRING TERM 1

## homework information

Please click on your child's class to see their homework challenges this term. This term, all children have resolved to do at least one of the challenges.



Caterpillar (N)



Butterfly (R)



Red (I)



Orange (2)



Yellow (3)



Green (4)



Blue (5)



Purple (6)

**CLASS  
ASSEMBLY  
NEWS**

Next **Friday (20th)** we have **Blue Class assembly**, the following week **Thursday 26th** we have **Yellow Class assembly** and then on **3rd February** we have **Green Class assembly**.

Assemblies start promptly at **3pm**, please arrive at school by **2.55pm** to ensure that you do not miss out! They are an opportunity for each class to showcase some of their learning. We hope you enjoy them!



**Congratulations to one of our Year 5 students, for winning a prize for 'Talent for Writing' from Young Writers for her poem last term! We are so proud of you!**



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**Butterfly Class have made a great start in their 'transport' topic- they made a station for their role play!**



**We had a brilliant morning at Pizza Express being chefs! It was very exciting and we got to use the vocabulary and verbs that we have been practicing in our Speech and Language sessions. We also got to eat our delicious pizzas!**



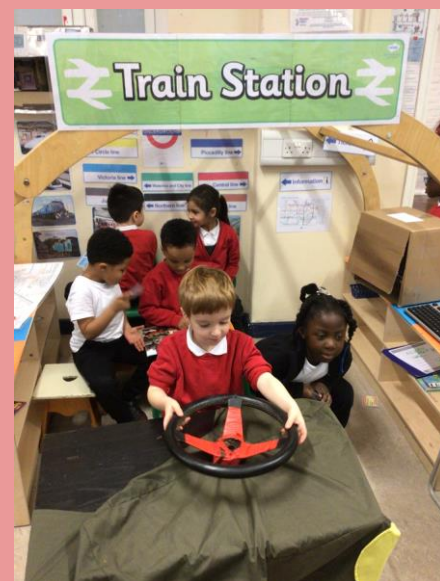
**Year 1 and Year 2 girls had a brilliant multiskills session with PESSN this week!**



**Scientists in Year 4 have been making clay models of their teeth!**



**Scientists in Year 3 have been investigating how light travels.**







# Snowsfields Primary School



## Twitter

**Snowsfields school** - @SNSPrimary  
**Caterpillar class (Nursery)** - @SNSFoundationS  
**Butterfly class (Reception)** - @SNSFoundationS  
**Rainbow class (Resource base)** - @rainbow\_sns  
**Red class** (year 1) - @SNSRed1  
**Orange class** (year 2) - @SNSOrange2  
**Yellow class** (year 3) - @SNSYellow\_3  
**Green class** (year 4) - @SNSgreen\_4  
**Blue class** (year 5) - @SNSBlue5  
**Purple class** (year 6) - @SNSPurple6



We received a certificate or a **purple slip** in **Nursery** this week!

## 100% Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to the 44 children (and their parents) who earned an orange wristband for 100% attendance and punctuality for Autumn 2.

## Cricket Workshops

Thank you to @surreyccricket for the first of five brilliant cricket workshops, where the children in key stage one and two learnt throwing, catching and batting skills.



**Well done** to our Year 5 and 6 football team for winning their first match (3-1) in the **Mixed Mini Football League** at Marlborough Gardens!



## Leathermarket Gardens

The Regeneration Team at Southwark Council has launched the next consultation regarding the development of the Leathermarket Gardens. Please follow the link below to complete the survey. Your views are important.

<https://consultations.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-regeneration/leathermarket-gardens-community-hub-design-develop/>



## PE Kit

On PE days, children are expected to wear their school jumper with a white t-shirt as well as tracksuit bottoms or a pair of shorts depending on the weather.





R - Respect for All



Reading Raffle Winners



Our Value this week is:  
independence

Reading Raffle Winners



Reading Raffle Winners



O - Outstanding learning!



Times Tables Rock Stars!





	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	20	9	50
Year 2	15	14	25
Year 3	8	11	75
Year 4	29	9	50
Year 5	4	6	200
Year 6	6	7	150

**Overall whole school attendance for week beginning 4/1/2023: 90.5%**

**1st Place Attendance: Y5**

**1st Place Punctuality: Y5**



**Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 4/1/2023: 93.76%**

**1st Place Attendance: Y1**

**1st Place Punctuality: Y1, Y3, Y6**

	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	4	3	97.78%
Year 2	8	7	92.98%
Year 3	9	3	94.64%
Year 4	10	9	93.59%
Year 5	14	4	89.39%
Year 6	13	3	92.78%



	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	8	0	75
Year 2	9	7	0
Year 3	4	3	50
Year 4	14	2	25
Year 5	2	0	150
Year 6	6	1	75

**Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 4/1/2023: 95.06%**

**1st Place Attendance: Y5**

**1st Place Punctuality: Y1 & Y5**



# Chattertime!



A play session for children under 5 years with the Speech & Language Therapist.  
Join us for playing, singing, rhymes, stories, support and advice.

**All sessions are run TERM TIME ONLY**

<b>Victory Children and Family Centre</b> SE17 1PT <b>Monday</b> 10.00-11:30  Contact 0207 740 8070	<b>Albrighton Children's Centre</b> SE22 8AH <b>Wednesdays</b> 13:00-14.15  Contact 0207 525 2017	<b>Leyton's Square</b> SE15 6TP <b>Wednesdays</b> 9:30-11:00am  Contact 0207 252 8265	<b>Ellen Brown Play Centre</b> SE1 3EU <b>Wednesdays</b> 13:30-15:00  Contact 0203 049 6003	<b>Rye Oak Children's Centre</b> SE15 3PD <b>Thursdays</b> 9.30-11:00  Contact 0203 848 5780
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Spring 2023



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Website: [www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/communityspeechandlanguage](http://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/communityspeechandlanguage)



# Chattertime



A weekly **online session** for parents and children aged from **15 months - 4 years** who are registered with a **Lambeth or Southwark GP**

Run by a qualified Speech and Language Therapist

During the session we will share advice and support on the development of early speech and language skills.

The session includes singing, stories, support and advice

**Mondays**  
**10:30 –11:00 am**



To book a place please register with your local Lambeth children's centre or email [gst-tr.contacts@nhs.net](mailto:gst-tr.contacts@nhs.net)  
You will then be sent a link for the session.  
You must provide your child's full name, date of birth, GP and postcode.



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## Being a Parent:

This 9 week course helps parents learn practical skills for everyday life

- Looking after yourself as a parent
- Recognise and manage your children's emotions
- Learn positive parenting strategies
- Support your children's resilience

<b>Tuesdays</b> 10am-12pm At 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Children's Centre, 12 Chumleigh St, London SE5 0RN (Burgess Park) (Starting 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2023)	<b>Wednesdays</b> 10am-12pm At Crawford Children & Family Centre, 5 Crawford Rd, London SE5 9NF (Starting 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2023)	<b>Thursdays</b> 10am-12pm At Rye Oak Children's Centre, Whorlton Rd, London SE15 3PD (Starting 12th January 2023)
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For more information, please contact

Claire Gager at Southwark Family Early  
Help Parenting Team;

07547 659 646

[Claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk)

*"I found the EPEC  
parenting course  
amazing. I learnt new  
things and I feel more  
relaxed when I come to a  
challenge with my child."*





**AGES 6-11**

# GIRLS HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMP

**09:30 - 15:30**  
13TH FEB - 16TH FEB

**£20:00 PER DAY**  
OR BOOK FOUR DAYS FOR £60.00

\*SIBLING POLICY - 25% DISCOUNT FOR YOUNGEST CHILD\*

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE. ADVANCED BOOKING IS ADVISED.**

**HOW TO PAY:** Bank transfer or cheque  
(Payment details will be sent to you once enquiry email has been received).

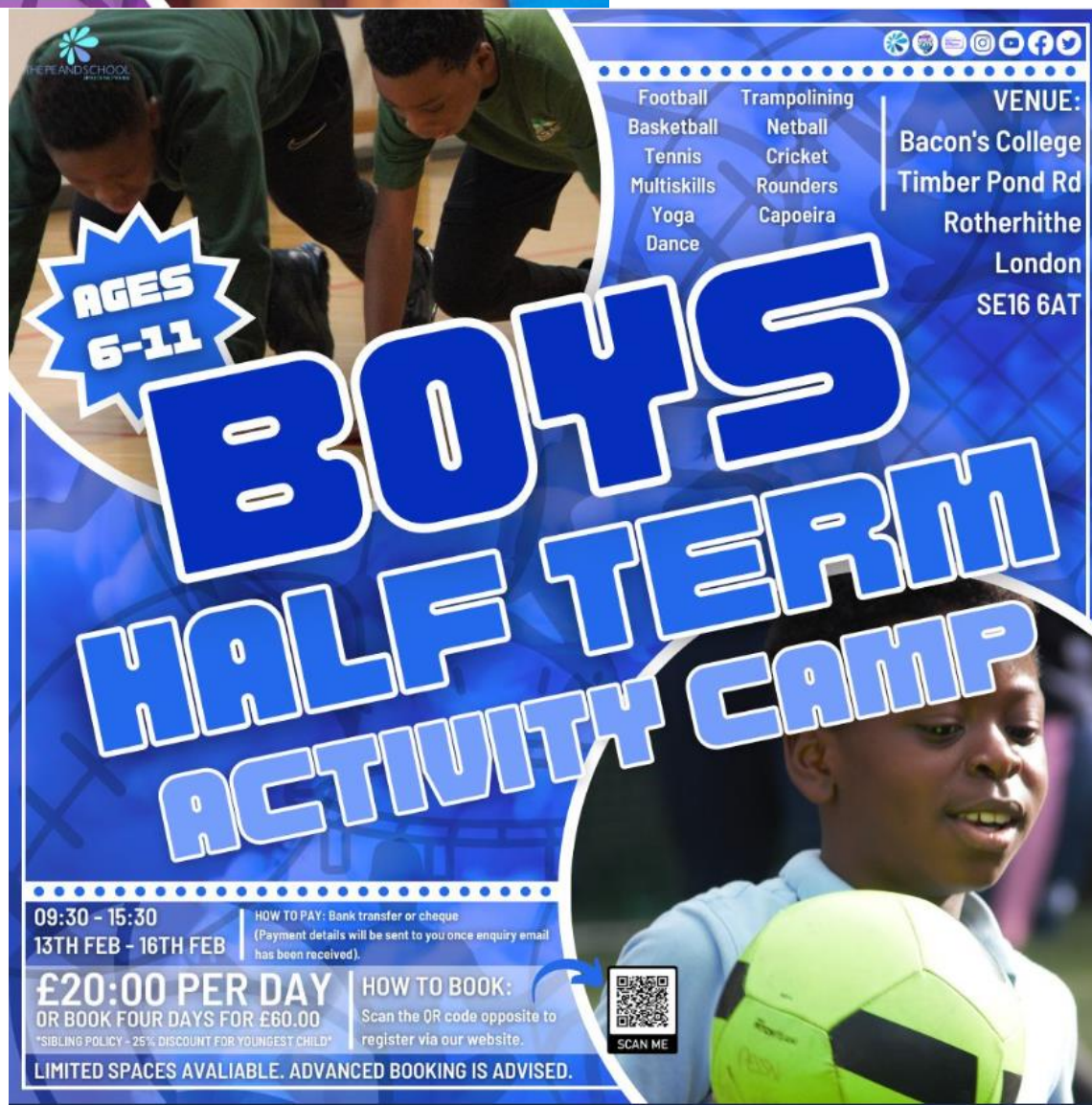
**HOW TO BOOK:**  
Scan the QR code opposite to register via our website.

**VENUE:**  
Bacon's College  
Timber Pond Rd  
Rotherhithe  
London  
SE16 6AT

Football  
Basketball  
Tennis  
Multiskills  
Yoga  
Dance

Trampolining  
Netball  
Cricket  
Rounders  
Capoeira

SCAN ME



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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about OF WORLD WARCRAFT

AGE RESTRICTION  
**12+**

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

World of Warcraft originally launched way back in 2004, and since then the game has blossomed into a major entertainment property. It's spawned spin-off novels, merchandise and even a Hollywood movie adaptation – but why are we still talking about it in 2023? World of Warcraft's most recent iteration, Dragonflight, launched last November and marks the game's ninth major expansion. This latest addition has attracted a whole host of lapsed players back to the game – as well as newcomers jumping into the realm of Azeroth for the first time.

## ALWAYS ONLINE

World of Warcraft is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game. Players create a character and head off on mythical quests to earn rewards and become more powerful. The game's environment is absolutely vast, and it can only be played online on PC or Mac – so there's a high probability of young Warcraft fans wanting to monopolise the family computer.

## REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As is common with many MMORPGs, World of Warcraft's developers, Blizzard, release regular expansions for the game (usually every 18 months to two years). So although there's still plenty of content for young players to experience right now, there will almost inevitably be a requirement to continue buying future expansion packs, which tend to cost around £50.

## IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Just like its genre contemporary Final Fantasy XIV, World of Warcraft requires a monthly subscription fee to play. It's currently £9.99 per month (although you can get it cheaper by signing up to a longer subscription). There are also many items which can be purchased from the in-game store that don't affect gameplay, but instead offer cosmetic alterations to a player's character.

## VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

Because World of Warcraft is played exclusively on PCs and Macs, it's easy for users to type out text messages if they aren't comfortable using voice chat. If you'll forgive the pun, that's a double-edged sword because – although there's less chance of them being harassed verbally – it puts young players at increased risk of being trolled or receiving spam through the in-game messaging function.

## SIMULATED VIOLENCE

The fact that World of Warcraft is almost 20 years old means that even its most violent battles look slightly cartoonish compared with the level of authenticity in many more modern games. The exception tends to be Warcraft's in-game cutscenes: animated sections which move the plot onto the next stage. These offer more realistic visuals, but they still aren't overly gory or scary.

## POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

World of Warcraft can trigger a powerful "just one more quest" mentality in players (especially young ones) as they rush to secure the next dopamine hit from levelling their character up or earning a new item or weapon. It's also a game that doesn't have a definite 'end' – because as soon as a player finishes levelling up one character, they can start afresh with another one.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### MANAGE PLAYTIME

World of Warcraft can be an extremely enjoyable game to play with friends, but it's important that your child doesn't let their adventures crowd out school work, socialising or anything else they also enjoy. You could, for example, consider imposing playtime limits – such as a set number of hours to play Warcraft per week, or restricting it to particular days or just weekends.

### MAKE IT A REWARD

If your child is excited about getting the next World of Warcraft expansion, you could consider using it as a reward for completing their weekly tasks (you could even call them 'quests') like tidying their room or doing their homework. This will demonstrate that you're happy for them to play the game but will also help them to build good, productive habits, reinforcing that hard work earns rewards.

### SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

Warcraft's monthly subscription effectively 'pays' for the regular new content, but there's also a sizeable free trial that lets new players explore the world of Azeroth without paying a penny. Players can play up until Level 20 for free, which is easily several hours' worth of gameplay. If your child does take this option, we'd suggest minimising in-game spending by not linking a bank card to their account.

### REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

Due to mild violence and the occasional use of offensive language, World of Warcraft has been rated as appropriate for players aged 12 and over by PEGI (the Pan-European Game Information system, which gives games their age certificate). It isn't really suitable for anyone below that age, so you may potentially have to explain this reasoning to your younger children if they want to play it.

### ADVENTURE TOGETHER

Warcraft can certainly be addictive, but playing it together is also a great way to spend time with your child. The game's focus on cooperative questing and battling enemies can make it feel like you've accomplished something as a team, and you'll also be in a prime position to spot any early signs of addiction. Just remember to apply gaming time limits to yourself as well as your young ones!

## Meet Our Expert

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