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Newsletter 17th March 2023

Dear Parents,
Thank you for your ongoing support.

We are so excited for our Reception class assemblies next week, when some of our youngest children will be presenting their learning to their families and the rest of the school.



Easter Egg Events

We are planning to hold Easter Egg events for the children within our schools during the last week of the spring term. If you are able to donate an Easter Egg to support with this event, please can you hand these into the school office. Thank you.

Clothing and Shoes Collection Bank

To help reduce our carbon footprint across the Bridges Federation, we are pleased to announce that we now have a textile recycling bin at Snowfields. Parents are invited to dispose of their old and unwanted clothing (not school uniform) and footwear. These items will be then distributed and given out to people who need them the most. Please place your clean clothing and footwear (in pairs) into a carrier bag and tie it securely before placing it inside the bin.

Have a lovely weekend, the gates open at 8:45am.



Southwark's Easter of Food and Fun, Healthy Start and Rose Vouchers

Please find on page 7 of the newsletter information about Southwark's Easter of Food and Fun offer. Please click on the link on the flyer to find out more information and to apply.

Please see page 8 of the newsletter information regarding vouchers that can be applied for if you are pregnant or have a child under 5 until August 2023. Please click on the links on the flyer.

Dates For Your Diary

Tower Bridge

23rd March - Butterfly Class (Reception) Assembly (Thursday)
***30th March** - Year 1 Class Assembly (Thursday) - Date Change*
31st March - Break Up (1pm)
18th April - Back to school

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Snowfields

22nd March Reception/ Butterfly class assembly 2:55pm
29th March Year 1/ Red class assembly 2:55pm
31st March - Break Up at 1pm
18th April - Back to school

Term Dates - 2022 - 2023

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

Term Dates for 2023-2024 are now on the school website

<https://thebridgesfederation.org.uk/home/term-dates/>

Term time holidays will not be authorised.

NSPCC PANTS GUIDES

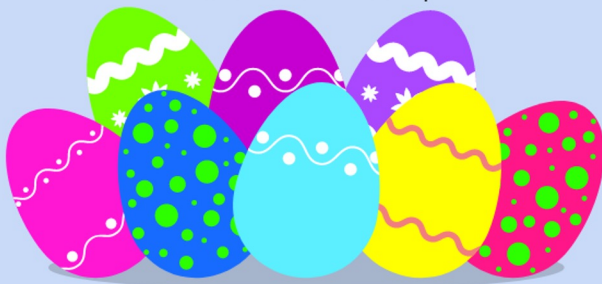
Please see the NSPCC Pants information on pages 9 & 10 of the newsletter, we use this information at school to teach the children that your privates are covered by your pants. Please find more information you can share with your children [here](#).



EGG RAFFLE

From Monday 20th March, you can buy raffle tickets to join in the Easter Egg Raffle which will be drawn on Friday 31st March in our end of term assembly.

Tickets cost £1 a strip.



Have you been keeping up with the class Twitter accounts? There are always new posts demonstrating our learning. Make sure you request to follow your child's class.

OUR CLUBS

This term we have had the following clubs: Lego, Stop Frame Animation, Knitting, Embroidery, Ballet and Origami.

Thank you to all the members of staff who have offered to run clubs this term for the children.



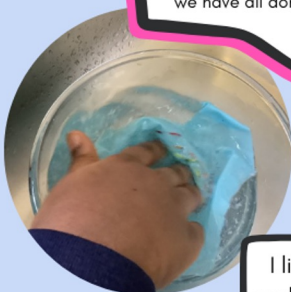
I've really liked Stop Motion because of the amazing animation that we have all done.



I like the club because we get to make lots of fun animations and it was really entertaining.



I like when we run on our tiptoes.



I like stirring the cauldron and doing spiky hands!



I enjoyed learning a new skill and making new friends.



I loved exploring all of the props to make new things, and having fun and sharing our ideas and videos.





Thank you Year 2 for your wonderful assembly! We loved exploring the world with you!

Spring Fundraiser!
On Thursday 30th March we will be holding an Spring and Easter fundraiser after school.
We would be grateful if you are able to donate any Easter Eggs or sweets for the lucky dip. Please drop them to the school office.
Thank you!



Did you know that the children take part in Philosophy for Children sessions (P4C)? Here are Green Class taking part in an enquiry session about Gullivers Travels.



School Council and our Science Leaders had a special meeting with Trees for Schools this week. We are starting to plan what we will be planting in the new beds and planters in school.

Reception Class are learning about habitats and where different animals live around the world. The children really enjoyed going on a scavenger hunt to find the animals on their checklist.



Coming Soon...

Don't forget we have Class Assemblies coming up. These will take place in the school hall. Please arrive by 2.55pm, so that the assembly can start at 3pm.

Thursday 23rd March - Reception, **Thursday 30th March** - Year 1

We look forward to welcoming you!



Snowsfields Primary School

Art and Design



Caterpillar class painted with spices including turmeric and cumin linked to the story of Lima's Red Hot Chilli.

Blue class created some Basquiat inspired artwork using a range of mediums. Jean-Michel Basquiat was an American neo-expressionist artist who rose to success in the 1980s.



Yayoi Kusama was the inspiration behind **Red class'** pumpkins. They used the techniques of rolling the clay to create the pumpkins and then stippling and stroking for the polka dot design.



Green class created some Maya masks. These were made to be worn at important events such as battles, to adorn the faces of the dead and to be hung in houses.



Purple class created sculptures based on the work of the artist Alberto Giacometti. One of his most famous sculptures is 'L'homme au doigt'.



The children in **Caterpillar class** discussed what would make a good penguin palace using some of the vocabulary they learnt during their DT lessons. 'The palace has to be stable.' 'The walls have to be strong.'

Design and Technology

Rainbow class made a winch to rescue Naughty Bus from the school pond. They used a can, string, a hook (paper clip) and sticky tape. The winch worked well and they rescued Naughty Bus!



Blue class made lever systems and explored how the position of the fulcrum affects the effort needed to lift the load.

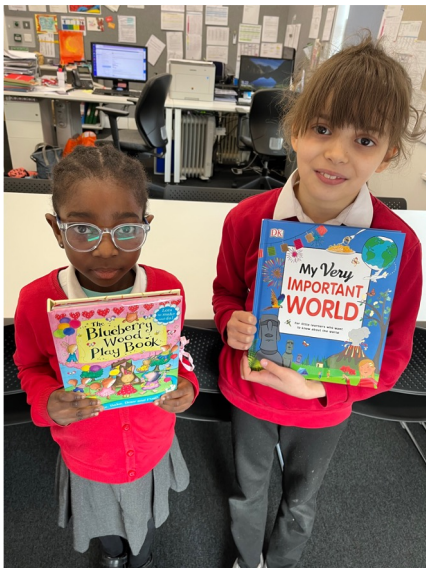




O - Overcoming Challenges



Reading Raffle Winners



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Our Value this week is:
resilience



Reading Raffle Winners



S - Sharing Ideas, skills and knowledge

Times Tables Rock Stars!





	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	15.5	19	400
Year 2	4.5	19	125
Year 3	3.5	13	425
Year 4	5	15	500
Year 5	11	7	1125
Year 6	9	13	950

Overall whole school attendance for week beginning 6/3/2023: 92.5%

1st Place Attendance: Y3

1st Place Punctuality: Y5



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 6/3/2023: 97.36%

1st Place Attendance: Y3

1st Place Punctuality: Y6

	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	6	11	98.00%
Year 2	6	14	97.00%
Year 3	5	10	98.33%
Year 4	8	15	97.10%
Year 5	6	8	97.60%
Year 6	12	7	97.36%



	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	2	4	675
Year 2	15	9	225
Year 3	13	7	440
Year 4	12	4	275
Year 5	12	3	950
Year 6	13	1	725

Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 6/3/2023: 95.38%

1st Place Attendance: Y1

1st Place Punctuality: Y6



Activity programme for
children and young people

3 April to 6 April 2023

www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun

Funded by



Department
for Education

Please click on the link here to find out more information:
[Southwark's Easter of Food and Fun](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun)

Healthy eating

Help for families to buy healthy food



Get help to buy healthy food and milk (Healthy Start scheme)

[Healthy Start is a national scheme.](#) It provides money for healthy food and milk to pregnant women and families with children under four who get certain benefits. If you claimed it from pregnancy to your child's fourth birthday, you could get over £1,000 per child to cover the cost of healthy food and milk.

Our aim is to get 85% of residents who are eligible to apply for Healthy Start

Find out if you're eligible for the healthy food and milk scheme

If you're 18 years or older, you may be eligible if you:

- are pregnant
- have children under four years old and you get certain benefits
- get Rose Vouchers

[How to apply for the Healthy Start Scheme](#)

Fruit and vegetable vouchers for people in SE1, SE5, SE15 and SE17 (Rose Vouchers)

Rose Vouchers are available for residents living in SE1, SE5, SE15 and SE17. Find [free vouchers to use on fruit and vegetables](#) at local markets such as:

- [East Street Market in SE17](#)
- some stalls in Peckham

<https://www.1stplace.uk.com/rosevouchers>

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LEARN THE PANTS RULES FOR STAYING SAFE



PRIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Parts of your body covered by underwear are private. No one should ask to see or touch them. No one should ask you to touch or look at parts of their body that are covered by underwear.

Sometimes doctors, nurses or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask if it's OK first.



ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

It's your body, no one else's. No one should make you do things that make you feel embarrassed or uncomfortable. If anyone tries, tell an adult you trust.



NO MEANS NO

You have the right to say 'no' – even to a family member or someone you love. Remember, you're in control of your body and your feelings are important.



TALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

Secrets shouldn't make you feel upset or worried. If they do, tell an adult you trust. You will never get into trouble for sharing a secret that upsets you.



SPEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

Talk about stuff that makes you worried or upset. An adult you trust will listen, and be able to help. It doesn't have to be a family member. It can be a teacher or a friend's parent – you can also call Childline on **0800 1111** and someone will always be there to listen. If you find it difficult to talk about, you could write it down or draw a picture instead.



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EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

Top Tips for Adopting SAFE & HEALTHY ONLINE HABITS

Everyone has so much going on in their lives, and that includes children: from exams and deadlines to anxiety and mental health struggles. It's quite easy to send memes, make jokes and vent online about the things that irritate us, but when was the last time you – or your child – took a moment to share something kind or positive instead? In fact, when did you last stop and think about your family's online activities? To help keep them safe and teach them healthy online habits, we need to develop our children's digital resilience. There are lots of ways that children can become more digitally resilient, and we've pulled together some popular strategies here...

WHAT IS DIGITAL RESILIENCE?



Resilience doesn't mean being so tough that nothing gets to you, and it's not about "putting up with things" either. Instead, it's the ability to recover from setbacks. Everyone feels sad, worried, scared or upset at times: it's how we respond and adapt to those situations which is important. Digital resilience is about making choices that keep us safe and happy online, even when we're exposed to something negative or upsetting. Building your child's digital resilience will help reduce the impact of potential risks as they engage with and navigate around the online world.

MAKE POSITIVE LIFESTYLE CHOICES



- ✓ Make time for the people and things that make you happy.
- ✓ Monitor your screen time and stick to your limits.
- ✓ On social media, follow people that make you feel good about yourself – and unfollow the ones who don't.
- ✓ Spread some positivity: post good reviews, leave encouraging comments and share good news.

KEEP YOUR HEALTH IN MIND



- ✓ Try to factor in regular breaks offline and away from your screen – ideally, outdoors for some revitalising fresh air.
- ✓ Exercise is a brilliant stress-buster: even a walk around the block, a bike ride or a stroll to your local shop can really work wonders.
- ✓ Be strict with yourself about putting devices away in plenty of time before bed: they can interfere with a good night's sleep, which is essential for staying healthy.

REACH OUT FOR SUPPORT

- ✓ If you have a problem online, don't be afraid to reach out to specialist people or organisations that could help.
- ✓ Follow people on socials who have the same values and morals as you.
- ✓ You could always talk to a friend, or a trusted adult like a teacher or family member for some advice.

PUT SAFETY FIRST



- ✓ If you see something online that upsets or worries you, tell a trusted adult about it as soon as possible.
- ✓ You could also report the content that's making you feel uncomfortable to the site or app that you saw it on, so they can look into it.
- ✓ Another option is to block the person or the account that's causing you a problem – or you could go one step further by totally deleting the app you were using.

GET THINGS CLEAR IN YOUR HEAD



- ✓ Ask yourself what kindness online actually looks like. Can you remember the last time someone was kind or supportive towards you online? What did they do?
- ✓ Think about how it makes you feel when someone sends you a positive or funny message online.
- ✓ What about the opposite: has someone ever been deliberately unkind to you online? What did they do and how did it make you feel?
- ✓ If someone's behaviour online is causing you stress, try to remind yourself of all the steps you can take if a person's being unkind online.

Meet Our Expert

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