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Newsletter 24th March 2023

Dear Parents,

We are so proud of our Reception children who performed so confidently to their families and the whole school. Thank you parents for supporting your amazing children.

We are looking forward to our final class assembly of the term from our Red classes next week.

Please find on pages 7, 8 & 10 of the newsletter information from the London Wildlife Trust on Easter Holiday Family Fun Activities:

https://www.wildlondon.org.uk/events

Also from Southwark about their Easter of Food and Fun offer:

Southwark's Easter of Food and Fun

Southwark presents has more events on offer here: Family Easter holidays - Southwark Council

As does Activities 4U who are running a multi-skills and arts camp during the Easter break:

Booking – Activities 4 U

A reminder that children should not be riding their bikes or scooters in the playground at the beginning or the end of the day. Thank you.

It's the last week of the half term for children on target to earn a green wristband for a 100% attendance and punctuality for spring two. Keep going you are nearly there!

Have a lovely weekend, see you on Monday, the gates open at 8:45am.

Healthy Start and Rose Vouchers

Please see page 9 of the newsletter for more information regarding vouchers that can be applied for if you are pregnant or have a child under 5 until August 2023. Please find the links here:

How to apply for the Healthy Start Scheme

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

Dates For Your Diary

Tower Bridge

30th March - Year 1 Class Assembly (Thursday) - Date Change

31st March - Break Up (1pm) **18th April-** Back to school

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Snowsfields

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.



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.





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[letter of the week] TOWERBRIDGE



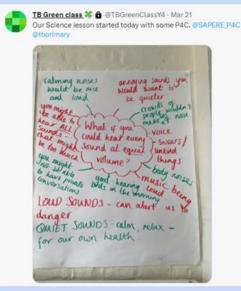


Next week we will be continuing to sell raffle tickets for the Easter Egg Raffle which will be drawn on Friday 31st March in our end of term assembly. Tickets cost £1 a strip.

Well done to Butterfly Class who showcased their learning in an assembly to parents on Thursday.



Green Class
used their
Science
knowledge to
discuss a
philosophical
question this
week to support
their Science
learning. Such
great thinkers
and interesting
contributions!



RED CLASS

Year 1 will be holding their
Superhero Day on Thursday 30th
March. Parents you are invited to
their assembly on the same day,
please arrive from 2.45pm as the
assembly will begin at 3pm.

Blue Class have been working so hard on their writing, based on The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd.



Yellow Class have been rehearing for a Dance showcase which we hosted this morning!





This week Year 6 have been completing their sculptures, based on the work of Alberto Giacometti.







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Thank you Butterfly Class for your wonderful assembly!



Spring Fundraiser!

On Wednesday 29th 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. Don't forget your pocket money on the day!

Thank you!







Year 2 had a visit from Sandra, a member of the London Fire Brigade. She spoke about fire safety and the role of the fire brigade. Year 1 had a great afternoon visiting Old Kent Road Fire station. They got to sit in the fire engine and spray the hose. They learnt all about the equipment used to save lives. The fire engine even had to rush off for an emergency while they were there.







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 30th March - Year 1

We look forward to welcoming you!

Snowsfields Primary School

Caterpillar class watched a video of a male ballet dancer and a women's football match.

Afterwards they talked about what they want to be and how they can be anything they want to.

P4C Philosophy for Children

Blue class asked the question: 'What stops us from acting at our best?' They identified that strong emotions play a part amongst other reasons!



Red class asked the question: 'What if you could hear everyone's thoughts?' They said if they thought it would be good or bad and the reason why. What do you think?



History Museum.

Purple class
explored
evolution and
inheritance at
the Natural

For International Women Day, Purple class discussed gender equality and asked 'if we say women can do everything now, are we just creating another stereotype?

Butterfly class your assembly was just wonderful, your loud voices and confidence was inspirational. Thank you to the Butterfly team and to our wonderful parents who came and supported.



Bowling was fun, fun and more fun on Monday, the children put in their maximum effort and bowled strikes and half strikes!

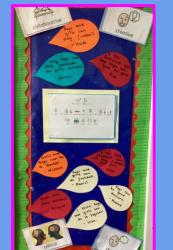
Congratulations on winning a PJ Masks writing competition.

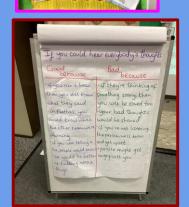
Red class visited Dockhead Fire Station on Friday, they had a fantastic time learning about the job of some everyday heroes.















W - Welcoming Everyone

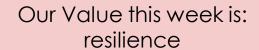


Reading Raffle Winners





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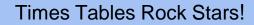




Reading Raffle Winners



N - Nurturing







	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	3	9	450
Year 2	1	13	200
Year 3	5	8	450
Year 4	6.5	6	550
Year 5	5.5	2	1200
Year 6	4	10	975



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning 13/3/2023: 94%

1st Place Attendance: Y2 1st Place Punctuality: Y5



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 13/3/2023: 95.4%

1st Place Attendance: Y4
1st Place Punctuality: Y3 and Y5

	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	16	4	91.11%
Year 2	4	10	96.67%
Year 3	11	3	93.89%
Year 4	3	6	98.21%
Year 5	5	3	96.67%
Year 6	6	5	96.67%

	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	11	0	775
Year 2	30	1	275
Year 3	40	1	500
Year 4	4	4	325
Year 5	16	0	1025
Year 6	2	2	825



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 13/3/2023: 89.41%

1st Place Attendance: Y6
1st Place Punctuality: Y1 & Y5

Easter Holiday Family Activities

at the Centre for Wildlife Gardening 28 Marsden Road, SE15 4EE

Have fun on these on one of these courses for dads, mums and children of any age with the London Wildlife Trust. Southwark residents only.

Free but booking essential. www.wildlondon.org.uk/events

Beautiful Birds Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th April 10am till 3pm

Come for a day or stay for both days, a fun two day course discovering our garden birds. Learn how to recognise birds by sight and song through fun activities and games. Take part in the nest challenge and find out about birds nests and their eggs.

Fantastic Minibeasts and Where to Find Them Thursday 13th and Friday 14th April 10am till 3pm

Come for a day or stay for both days, a fun two day course discovering minibeasts. Finding, sorting, games, activities, crafts. For all the family.

To find out more and for booking visit www.wildlondon.org.uk/events or contact Diana dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk 07740717930 for any queries.









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

Healthy eating

Help for families to buy healthy food



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

<u>Healthy Start is a national scheme</u>. 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 <u>free vouchers to use</u> on <u>fruit and vegetables</u> at local markets such as:

- East Street Market in SE17
- some stalls in Peckham

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







Home Fire Safety Checker/Home Fire Safety Visits

A fire can start in any room and the effects can be devastating, even a small fire in your home can lead to substantial damage and expensive repairs. The LFB want to stop fires from happening and that is why we offer our on-line Home Fire Safety Checker/free Home Fire Safety Visits to help keep you and your loved ones safe.

Home Fire Safety Checker

If you just want to check the fire safety of your home, our new Home Fire Safety Checker tool allows you to carry out a thorough check of your home in only a few minutes – so there's no need to wait for a visit. Go to: https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/home-fire-safety-checker

What happens during a Home Fire Safety Visit?

Our firefighters or trained staff will visit you at home, at a time that suits you and carry out a risk assessment. They will give you advice based on your home and individual needs, this includes; information on how to prevent fires, the importance of smoke alarms to detect a fire and your escape plan in the event of a fire.

A visit can take up to 90 minutes or longer if needed and we will fit free smoke alarms if required.

Specialist alarms can be fitted for people who may have a delayed response to escape for example; strobe light and vibrating pad alarms for those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

How to book a Home Fire Safety Visit:

Freephone: 0800 028 4428

Email: smokealarms@london-fire.gov.uk

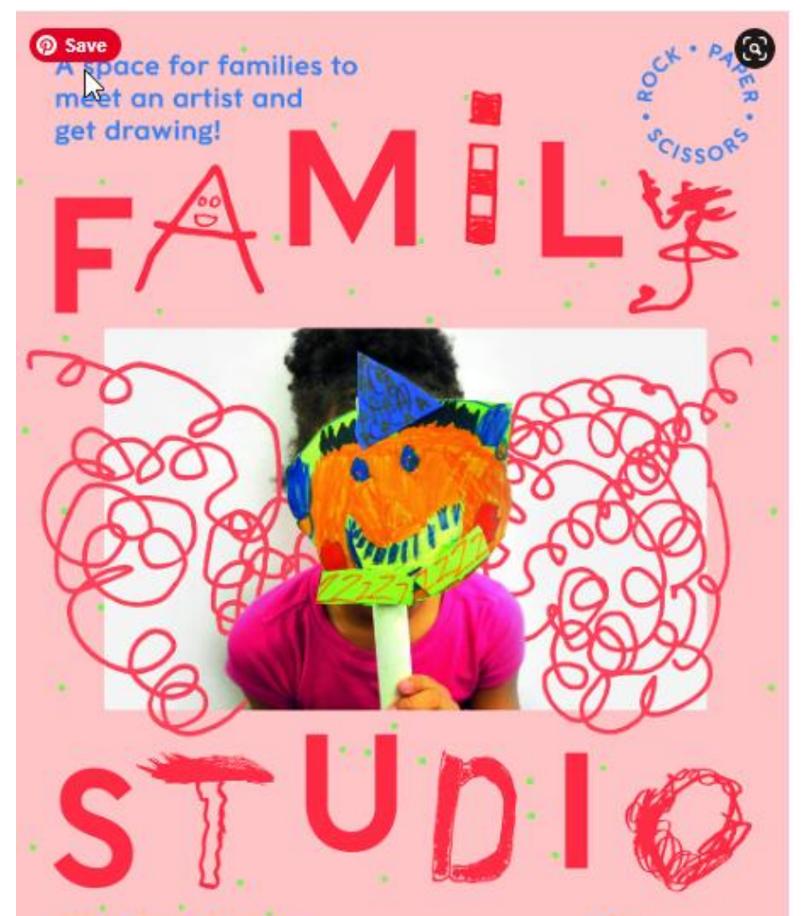
Text /SMS: 07860 021 \$19

Worried about a relative, friend or neighbour? Although everyone is eligible for a free home fire safety visit, some people with health problems or lifestyle behaviours can have an increased chance of a fire happening. To help you we have listed some of these examples below:

- Increased risk factors can include:
 - Anyone that smokes; overloaded electrical sockets or poor wiring; unsafe use of candles or naked flames; previous fires or near misses; cooking left unattended; hoarding of any kind or someone who lives alone.
- They are less able to react because of:
 Mental health conditions such as dementia or learning difficulties; no smoke alarms are fitted or they
 don't work; alcohol dependency or drug misuse (prescribed or recreational); physical health issues
 including sensory impairments e.g. hearing or sight.
- They have a reduced ability to escape:
 Mobility issues due to a physical disability; age-related problems or as a result of a long-term illness;
 escape routes are not kept clear or are blocked due to actions such as hoarding or conditions that affect
 decision making.

If you know anyone who has any combination of these risk factors, give them our details to arrange a free home fire safety visit or simply ask them if they would like you to book a visit for them.

Remember -This is not an exhaustive list, if you are unsure please contact us for extra advice.



First Sunday of the month
5" March, 2" April, 7" May, 4" June, 2" July
Charlotte Sharman Primary School
West Square, SEII 4SN

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Drop-in IO.30 - 3.00pm All Free! All Welcome!

DRAWING ROOM

Ten top tips for

STRONGER PASSWORDS

Passwords continue to be the most common way to prove our identity online. A combination of a username and a password known only to the user provides access to our online accounts and data – and hopefully keeps unauthorised individuals out. As a security measure, though, passwords are relatively weak. People are often predictable in how we choose our passwords, for example – making them less secure. With increasing volumes of usernames and passwords being leaked online, what can we do to keep our data more secure? Here are our top tips for stronger passwords.

SECURITY

BE UNPREDICTABLE

We often choose passwords which are easy to remember; featuring the name of our favourite sports team or favourite film, for instance. Those are predictable passwords. Cyber criminals will routinely try various combinations of passwords relating to sports teams, actors, musical artists and the like and they often focus on these during major sporting events or around high-profile movie releases.

HELLO

AVOID GETTING PERSONAL

Many of us use passwords relating to our family, such as children's names or favoured hollday destinations. The problem here is that we also typically post about our holldays and our family on social media – making that information potentially visible to cyber criminals and supplying them with clues which could help them in narrowing down possible passwords we might have set.

NEW PLATFORM, NEW PASSWORD

Where cyber criminals gain access to an online service through a data breach, they often use the data they've stolen to try and access the victim's other accounts. This is because the criminals know that, for convenience, people often use the same password across different services. When we reuse passwords, our security is only as strong as the weakest site where we've used it.

LONGER IS STRONGER

Our passwords are often stored by online services in an encrypted format, in case the service suffers a data breach. The strength of this encryption, however, is dependent on the length of the password you've selected. If your password is only a short one, cyber criminals are significantly more likely to be able to break the encryption and identify your password.

CHECK SOCIAL MEDIA VISIBILITY

Staying up to date with friends and relatives on social media is part of everyday life now. We need to ensure, though, that we limit who can see our posts via each platform's privacy settings. It's also wise to consider what we're posting and if it's really safe to share online. If we restrict what cyber criminals can see, we reduce the chance of them using that information to identify our passwords.

Meet Our Expert

A Cartified information by stems Security Professional (CISSP), Carry Henderson is the Director of IT at a large boarding school in the UK, having previously taught in schools and colleges in lifitain and the Middle Last. With a particular interest in digital citizenship and cyber security, he believes it is essential that we become more aware of the risks around technology, as well as the benefits.



'DOUBLE LOCK' YOUR DATA

It's possible that cyber criminals may eventually discover your username and password. Enabling multi-factor authentication (MFA) on your accounts, however, reduces the chance of them obtaining access to your data, as they'd also require a code which is provided via an app, SMS message or email. MFA isn't infallible, but it does definitely provide extra protection and security.

DELETE UNUSED ACCOUNTS

Data breaches occur when cyber criminals gain access to an online service and all the data contained within it – including usernames and passwords. Whenever you stop using a service, it's wise to make sure that you delete your entire account and not just the actual app. If the service no longer has your data, there's zero risk of it being leaked should they suffer a data breach in the future.

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TRY PASSWORD MANAGERS

Even though most of us have numerous online accounts to manage these days, it's advantageous to avoid password re-use. Specialist password management software (like Dashlane or OnePassword, among others) can help by storing a different password for every online service that you have an account with: the only one you or child will need to remember is the single master password.

GET CREATINE

The British government's
National Cyber Security Centre
(NCSC) recommends the 'three
random words' technique. This
method helps you create a password
which is unique, complex and long —
yet which is memorable enough to
stay in your mind ("FourBlueShoes",
for example). The NCSC website,
incidentally, also offers plenty of
other useful information relating to
personal cyber security.

STAY VIGILANT

The best way to protect your accounts and your data is to be vigilant and careful. If you receive an email or text message that's unusual or unexpected, treat it as suspicious until you're able to verify whether it's genuine and sale. Starting from a position of vigilance and caution will reduce the likelihood of you or your child being tricked by a malicious email, text or phone call.



Source: https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/







