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Newsletter 4th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please support your child to be prepared for their school day. Please ensure that they bring in a water bottle with their name on it, a bag for their reading record/journal and a coat now that the weather has changed.

Please regularly check Google Classroom to see the learning taking place in your child's class, as you are aware we no longer are using X/Twitter and are now sharing some of the amazing learning taking place through Google Classroom.

Children who read regularly and have their reading record/journal signed by a parent (at least three times a week) will be entered into the weekly reading raffle. You can see the weekly winners on page 6 of the newsletter. Please support your child to read regularly at home.

Have a lovely weekend. The gates are open at 8:45am.

Parents of year 6 children will have seen that Secondary Schools are currently running open day events. Please make sure you visit as many schools as you can. The deadline for submitting your application is 31/10/24 which is in half term. Please speak to school staff if you need support with the application as soon as possible. Please find the link to make the online application: Applying for a secondary school place -**Southwark Council**

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Dates For Your Diary 🍁



Tower Bridge

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Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November - HALF TERM **WEEK**

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Robert Browning

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Term Dates for 2024-2025 are on the Federation website **Term Dates - The Bridges Federation**

Term time holidays will not be authorised. Other important dates for this year can also be found on the school website here:

Diary – The Bridges Federation

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ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Being in school and having the best attendance possible underpins all the many benefits of school for your child, such as their learning, wellbeing and wider development. We want to work with you to ensure that attendance for pupils at the Bridges Federation is the best it can be.

As a parent, you are legally responsible for making sure your child gets a suitable fulltime education. This means making sure your child is in school every day except when

- Your child is too ill to go to school.
- You have permission for a leave of absence from your child's school for them not to attend. You should only
 ask for this in exceptional circumstances. Generally, a holiday will not be classed as an exceptional
 circumstance.
- Your religious body has a day especially for religious observance.

If my child needs to be absent from school, what do I need to do?

You should contact us as early as possible (no later than 10am) on the first day of absence to explain why. If you do not, we will contact you to find out where they are.

My child is ill. What should I do?

If your child is ill, read the NHS's 'Is my child too ill for school?' advice to help you decide whether they can go to school. Contact us as soon as possible to let us know that they will be absent.

Do I need to provide medical evidence to support my child's illness related absence?

We may ask for medical evidence when your child is absent due to illness. This may be in cases where:

- Your child is regularly absent due to illness, to assess how we can help by putting support in place.
- We have reason to believe your child was not too ill to attend and a conversation has not resolved the issue.

If you are asked to provide evidence this does not need to be a letter from your doctor or consultant, and doctors will not usually provide such letters. It can, instead, be appointment cards, prescriptions, or notes of previous consultations (including from the NHS App.)

To avoid disruption to your child's attendance, medical and dental appointments should not be booked during the school day whenever reasonably possible.

My child is struggling to attend school. What can I do?

The first step is to talk to your us about why your child is missing school, and what help we can give. You should still do everything you can to help your child attend as much as possible whilst waiting for help and support to be put into place. Information on who you can contact for help, including the school's senior leader responsible for attendance, can be found in our attendance policy on the website. We follow the expectations laid out in the DfE guidance 'Working together to improve school attendance.'

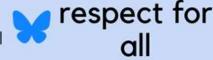
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https://thebridgesfederation.org.uk/home/attendance/





You can follow us on Blue Sky: etowerbridgeschool.bsky.social



[value of the week] TOWERBRIDGE



For the safety of all pupils, do not drive your car into the car park outside the school gate. Please notify additional adults who collect your child of this.













Some of the Year 5 children have been taking part in the School Food Matters project with Borough Market, growing their own produce in the school planters and selling it to customers. Overall, the children rasied nearly £1000 on the day to help support children affected by food

poverty.

Monday 21st October Blue Class (Year 5)

Tuesday 22nd October Orange Class (Year 2)

Tuesday 22nd October Yellow Class (Year 3)

Wednesday 23rd October Sunshine Class (EYFS)

Wednesday 23rd October Purple Class (Year 6)

Thursday 24th October Red Class (Year 1)

Friday 25th October Green Class (Year 4)

We are excited to announce that each class will be running a short stay and learn session in a few weeks where parents and carers are welcome to join children in some learning. Please make a note of the dates. The sessions will start at 9am and end at 9.30am so please plan to stay and learn with your children.

CURRICULUM

Secondary Transfer -Online Application

Please be aware
that the deadline
for online
secondary transfer
application is
31/10/2024 so we
advise that you
submit your
application before

25/10/24.





Orange Class visited the Tower of London this week to learn more about the history of our local area and explore the grounds.









Some of the Year 6 class took part in Travel Training this week with TfL, learning how to stay safe when travelling independently.



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Thursday 10th October 9.00am- Early Years Phonics Stay and Learn session

In last week's newsletter we met our School Council members for this year. Here are some messages from our Year 6 School Councillors:

A Message from Head Girl:

I am happy that my class has picked me to be head girl. I will encourage everyone to be sensible by setting a good example. I am excited to lead assemblies and give out certificates. Also, I am looking forward to working with the other school council members to make changes that will help the school become even better.

a Message from Head Boy:

I am happy that my classmates voted for me to be head boy. I believe that they voted for me because I am kind and respectful. I am also approachable so anyone can come and talk to me if they have ideas, questions or problems. I will always try my best and encourage others to do the same.



Early Years have been exploring patterns and have set up a new pizza role play area. They have also been learning where they have family ties around the world, created houses using shapes and made some banana smoothies.





Year 2 had a brilliant trip to the Tower of London





Rainbow Class have been learning about the Romans. They tried on Togas, made some fantastic mosaics and made some tersoriums.

Secondary Transfer - Online Application

Please be aware that the deadline for online secondary transfer application is 31/10/2024 so we advise that you submit your application before 25th October 2024 as the deadline falls within the half term holiday and we may not be able to offer support.

If you need support with your application or have any questions before this date, please come and speak with Maureen.



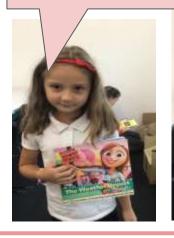




Our school value this week is: R - Respect for All

Reading Raffle Winners









Our core value this week is:



Our school value this week is:

W - Working Together



Times Tables Rock Stars

Reading Raffle Winners





	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	11	5	275
Year 2	6	7	550
Year 3	10 ½	8	125
Year 4	7	11	25
Year 5	8	10	50
Year 6	5	5	400



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning 23/09/2024: 93.41%

1st Place Attendance: Year 6
1st Place Punctuality: Year 6 and Year
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Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 23/09/2024: 95.43%

1st Place Attendance: Y4
1st Place Punctuality: Y6

	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	4	6	98.26%
Year 2	10	11	96.15%
Year 3	14	8	95.17%
Year 4	4	5	98.46%
Year 5	14	9	95.00%
Year 6	28	4	90.67%

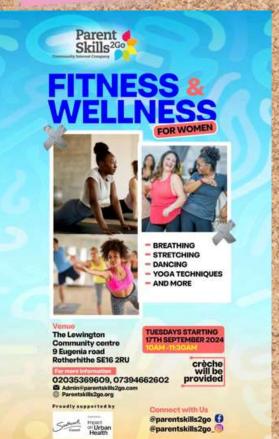
	Absence	Lates	Total
Year 1	0	11	200
Year 2	12	15	25
Year 3	11	3	300
Year 4	5	15	150
Year 5	19	12	125
Year 6	30	17	300



Overall whole school attendance for week beginning: 23/09/2024: 94.76%

1st Place Attendance: Y1
1st Place Punctuality: Y3





The Nest - Wellbeing Hub

The Nest operates a drop-in service every
Saturday between 10:30 and 14:30.
Therapeutic practitioners and support
workers can offer 1:1 emotional support,
information & advice and signpost you to the
appropriate services.

Drop-In Service | The Nest











Applying for a secondary school place -



Reception baseline assessment: information for parents - GOV.UK



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Dear Parents and Guardians.

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- Swim Academy (for all ages & abilities)
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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

The video game Final Fantasy XIV launched in 2010, and, despite being critically panned, it saw an overhaul that has made it one of the biggest success stories in gaming. Its huge world, epic story and versatile combat system have continued to draw in new players, but there's a lot that trusted adults need to be aware of - not least the cost of paying monthly to play.



ALWAYS ONLINE

Final Fantasy XIV is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game, Much like World of Warcraft, players create a character in a chosen class and level up by completing quests to gain power and Items. The game requires a constant internet connection, whether you're playing on PC, Mac, PlayStation or Xbox, and there's no option to

REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As with similar titles in the genre, players can purchase expansions to unlock additional content for the game. Those without the expansions will be locked out of certain new quests and activities, meaning that young people who play regularly will potentially have the next release earmarked on their calendar, ready to buy it as soon as possible.

IN-GAME PURCHASES & SUBSCRIPTION FEE

Users need to pay £8,99 per month to play Final Fantasy XIV, but there is a free trial. If someone stops paying, they'll lose access to their character (although they'll be able to pick up the payments again and resume where they left off). If a player forgets to cancel their payments, however, those subscription fees will continue rolling on automatically.

VOICE & TEXT CHAT

Final Fantasy XIV lets players send chat messages in-game or speak to each other ever voice chat. On the one hand, that provides plenty of choice for how those enjoying the game can interact with their fellow fans. On the other hand, however, it's easier than in many games to receive unprompted messages from a stranger, with whom you constantly share your

VIOLENCE

While Final Fantasy XIV has a fairly light tone throughout some of its quests, many involve killing enemies and sometimes even wild animals. The violence isn't especially strong—more comparable to a cartoon or anime style—but the act alone may make some children feel uncomfortable, if they're not yet able to separate fictional harm from the real kind.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

addiction to Final Fantasy XIV. The gameplay loop can be quite engrossing, as minutes turn into hours and hours into days while playing alone or with friends. This can potentially lead to missing real-life events, a lack of interest in any activities not related to the game and procrastination around responsibilities like schoolwork.

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Advice for Parents & Educators

MANAGE PLAYTIME

130 Playtime limits are a great way to counter the addictive qualities of games like Final Fantasy XIV. They allow you discuss why it's still important to enjoy things outside of gaming while still letting a child enjoy playing online with their friends when it makes sense to do so. It's all well and good to have fur with a game,

MAKE USE OF THE FREE TRIAL

The Final Fantasy XIV free trial is a generous one, with no limits on how long someone can play until their character hits level 70. That's easily dozens of hours for a child to go through the game, complete quests, and see if they enjoy it before purchasing expansions or subscribing to a membership. They may well move on to something else before you need to spend so much as a penny.

PLAY TOGETHER

The free trial makes it extremely easy to jump into Final Fantasy XIV and play alongside a child, provided they re old enough. Not only does that help you ensure that settings are adjusted for their privacy and safety, but it may also end up

REMEMBER, IT'S A PEGI 16

Despite its often-relaxing nature, Final Fantasy XIV carries a PEGI 16 rating for violence and drugs (although the latter is due to a character smoking a pipe on occasion). There's minimal blood, but characters can attack enemies (and other players) with weapons and spells. Take a look at some gameplay videos to see if the content is appropriate for a younger player.

Meet Our Expert

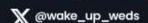
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