

The School Newsletter

19th January 2024

Shine, Encourage, Love and Learn

Our 5
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Forgiveness
Love
Encouragement
Wisdom
Togetherness

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy 2024!

We've had a good, though chilly, start to the term. Some amazing Star Awards have already been given out by class teachers: for hard work and perseverance with learning, for very positive attitudes and behaviour and for care and kindness towards others.

There is link to our parent survey below which should take a few minutes to complete. Please do so if you can.

Thank you for your continued support,
Adeola Oladejo, Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team

Follow us on
Twitter/X:
@sjspschool

Survey

Please complete our [parent survey](#)! We would like to know your views on what we are doing well and where we might improve further. The survey will be open until 26th January.

Thank you!

Photography/Video Permission Forms

We will send out new forms to families next week. Please look out for these and complete to update your child's information.

It's great to see many children achieve their Bronze and Silver Reading Road Map awards for reading 5 and 10 books.

Why not also take part in the

Mini Winter Reading Challenge!

The Challenge ends on 19 February 2024.

Read three or more books to complete the Winter Mini Challenge!

Find out more, sign up, rate and review your books on [this](#) website while the Challenge is on and you'll unlock a limited-edition virtual badge for your profile AND a special certificate that you can print out and keep.

Parenting and family support

In Islington, there are services designed to help families, from pre-birth to adulthood. Find out more [here](#).

Star Awards!

Friday 12th January

Nursery/Reception: Janelle & Isaaq

Year 1: Sienna & Ezra

Year 2: Amina & Lexi

Year 3: Raegan & Oscar

Year 4: Yasir & Jamille-Rose

Year 5: Marcell

Year 6: Irfan & Godwish

A HUGE Well Done!

Friday 19th January

Nursery/Reception: Aoife & Dezray

Year 1: Elga

Year 2: Mohamed & Noel

Year 3: Zaviah

Year 4: Korey & Sofia

Year 5: Tia

Year 6: Amani & Habrom

BRONZE AWARDS!

(10 Merits for learning and positive behaviour)

Sky, Marcell, Habrom

Doodle Learning

We set our homework through DoodleLearning.

It's a fantastic resource where children can practise maths, English, spelling and times tables skills. Children are encouraged to do this 'a little and often'. Each child has a DoodleLearning login. If your child needs their password reset, please see your child's class teacher.

Dates for your Diary

22 January	Year 3 swimming continues
25 January, 4pm	LEGO casting—see attached letter
24 January	Y1 trip to London Transport Museum
26 January, 9.15am	Year 6 Class Assembly—parents/carers welcome
30 January	Y2 trip to London Bridge
31 January, 2.30-3.30	Parent Workshop: Puberty (further details to follow)
1 February	Pupils to St Paul's Cathedral for LDBS annual celebration service
2 February, 9.15am	Year 5 Class Assembly—parents/carers welcome
6 February	School nurse and well-being clinic—parents/carers welcome to book a slot
8 February	Y1 trip to Hampstead Heath
9 February, 9.15am	Year 3 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
12-16 Feb	Half-Term Week
20 February	KS1 Road Safety Workshop
22 February	Three Discovery Workshops for pupils
28 February	Bletchley Park Cyber Workshops for KS2 KS1 & KS2 Big Sing Event at Islington Assembly Hall
1 March, 9.15am	Year 2 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
4 March	Year 6 out to City University—Journalism department
4-7 March	Bikeability Balance for Y1 and Y2
8 March, 9.15am	Year 4 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome FA Biggest Ever Football Session
12 March	Year 4 to Royal Albert Hall for Prom Praise 4 Schools concert
15 March, 9.15am	Year 1 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome Red Nose Day
19 March	Year 2 trip to Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge School nurse and well-being clinic—parents/carers welcome to book a slot
22 March, 9.15am	Nursery/Reception Class Assembly — Parents/carers welcome School nurse and well-being clinic—parents/carers welcome to book a slot

Online safety: Balancing Screen time

Creating a balanced digital diet with screen time

tips: [internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org)

Find simple tips to help children develop healthy online habits and a good digital diet to help them thrive on and offline:



School Attendance

Did you know that 90% attendance is 19 days of school missed over a year?

The Government classes young people in this group as "Persistent Absentees", and it will be almost impossible to keep up with work. Parents of young people in this group could also face the possibility of legal action being taken by the Local Authority. If you are worried about your child's attendance or would like some support, please speak to a member of the senior leadership team. We will be happy to help.

LEGO Film Casting!

SJSP have been invited to take part in a LEGO film that celebrates the imagination and creativity of young girls.

Please see the casting callout letter attached.

We are hoping that SJSP pupils will take part in this exciting opportunity. We participated in making a LEGO film with artist Yinka Ilori in 2021 which the children thoroughly enjoyed. (The films can be found [here](#) and [here](#)).

26 March	Year 5 Shakespeare Project starts: visit to see performance of Julius Caesar
28th March	Last day of spring term -school closes at 1.30pm.

Children's Occupational Therapy Drop in



If you require advice from an occupational therapist, you can receive support via our occupational therapy drop-in clinic.

What is it?

- A 20 minute virtual or telephone appointment.
- This is a one-off appointment and no open referral is required.
- An opportunity to speak to an occupational therapist (OT) about any concerns you may have regarding your child's development, sensory needs, and self-help skills.
- Advice and support to help you work with your child to achieve their functional goals (e.g. dressing skills, scissor skills, handwriting, cutlery skills etc.)



When is it?

- The drop in clinic runs once a month on a Friday. Please contact our administration team to find out when you can book a slot that suits you.

Email: whh-tr.msotbookings@nhs.net

Telephone: **0203 316 1892**





When parenting gets challenging, **coming together with other fathers and male carers** can make a difference to how we feel



'Tree of Life' workshop for Fathers

This FULL DAY workshop will involve you with DRAWING, CRAFTING, and SHARING EXPERIENCES of resilience.

Much like a collection of trees in a forest surviving a storm, we are stronger when we are together!

Saturday 3 February 2024, 9.30-3.30pm

Facilitated by Rosan McCall and Mark Cohen
Family Systemic Therapists



To book a place register online at:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tree-of-life-fathers-workshop-tickets-775470291517?aff=oddtcreator>

Free NHS
Workshop

LOCATION

New River Green
Children's Centre

23 Ramsey Walk,
London N1 2SX

For fathers and
male carers with
children aged 1-5
years who live or
have a GP in
Islington

For further
information call
Rosan McCall:

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register online:

