

9th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you all had a wonderful break. It's so lovely to see our students and families again as we start the new term together. We're excited to settle back into routines, celebrate every achievement and continue supporting each student to be happy, safe, healthy, and ready for the future.



On Monday, the staff team began the term with an INSET training day. The training focused on strengthening communication. The training will support our students in developing their communication and interaction skills.

Highlights this week

Surrey Cricket Coaching

We were delighted to welcome a Surrey Cricket coach to Spa School Camberwell for the first in a series of coaching sessions. Students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, made excellent progress, and impressed the coach with their existing skills and enthusiasm.



Southwark Music Service

This morning, Key Stage 4 students took part in their first Music Technology project session with the Southwark Music Service. Over the next 10 weeks, students will use GarageBand to compose their own pieces of music, culminating in a presentation assembly in the final week. We look forward to sharing updates on their progress.



It snowed!



Looking Ahead

- **Year 9 Immunisations** - Monday, 19th January 2026
- **Children's Mental Health Week** - Monday, 9th February 2026
- **Ranger Stu** – Tuesday, 10th February 2026
- **Last day of school Spring 1** – Friday, 13th February 2026
- **First day of school Spring 2** – Tuesday, 24th February 2026

Support for families and community activities

Cost of Living Booklet

Southwark Council have developed a [Cost of Living Booklet](#) which outlines a range of support available to help residents with food, energy bills, council-tax, and other essential costs this winter.

Southwark Leisure Centres

Visit any Southwark leisure centres this Saturday, 10 January, for free gym passes, workshops, exercise classes, blood pressure checks, kids activities, 5k community runs, and more. Click on this link for more information: [FREE FITNESS](#)

Want to be healthier, fitter, stronger and more confident in 2026? Join your local leisure centre and secure your free place on a 12-week Success Programme with guaranteed results or your money back (terms apply). The offer ends 31 January 2026. Click on this link for more information: [KICKSTART FITNESS](#)

Staying warm this winter

There are over forty Warm Spaces across Southwark, including in all of our libraries and leisure centres – these are free, warm, and welcoming places where anyone can drop in and spend time for free. Many Warm Spaces are a great way to meet people and also offer hot drinks, food, and cost of living advice. Click on this link for more information: [FIND YOUR WARM SPACE](#)

SEND Inclusive Cricket with Cricket Leaders

YOUNG LEADERS
IN CRICKET



Starts on Monday 12 January!

Inclusive Cricket sessions for SEND young people, delivered by Cricket Leaders coaches.

When: Mondays, 4.15 - 5.15 pm

Where: The Castle Leisure Centre 2
St Gabriel Walk, London. SE1 6FG

Age: 11 - 25 years old

Cost: First session free, Subsequent sessions £5

Register: <https://bit.ly/Cricket-Leaders-Inclusive-Session>

Or scan the QR code



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TAP – IN SESSIONS

Free and stand alone information sessions for parents and carers on a range of topics.
Join us with Thinking About Parenting and TAP in to.....

Monday 19th January 10am - 12 MS Teams Parenting and Autism	Thursday 29th January 10am - 12 MS Teams Parenting and ADHD	w/c 9th Feb 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Ages and Stages
w/c 23rd Feb 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Parenting Foundations	w/c 2nd March 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Parental Emotional Wellbeing	w/c 9th March 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Bullying Awareness
w/c 16th March 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Emotional Based School Avoidance	w/c 23rd March 10am - 11.30 MS Teams Digital Safety	Tuesday 24th March 10am MS Teams Parenting and ADHD
Thursday 19th March 10am MS Teams Parenting and Autism		<p>All sessions held online - link will be sent out 1-2 days before session via email</p> <p>TO REGISTER FOR A PLACE CLICK HERE OR CONTACT</p> <p>Beth Gilbey 07394 865 980 bethany.gilbey@southwark.gov.uk earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk</p>



[Click here to request a place on a parenting programme](#)

FATHER'S GROUP



Join a 10-week course to
improve your parenting skills.

Whether you are a father, grandfather or stepdad,
receive advice and tips on topics such as positive
parenting, improving relationships and role modelling.

Crèche provided.

When

Friday Morning's at 10.30am - 12.30
Starting 16th January 2026

Where

1st Place Best Start Family Hub
12 Chumleigh Street, Burgess Park, SE5 0RN

BOOK A PLACE

Email: tara.long@southwark.gov.uk or
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Please stay warm, and do not hesitate to contact us if there is anything we can help with.
Wishing you all a calm, happy and restful weekend.

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