

19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a busy and enriching autumn term, we would like to thank all our parents and carers for your continued support and engagement in our school community.

From the start of the term, new pupils have settled in well, becoming familiar with routines, while returning pupils have stepped back into learning with enthusiasm. Our welcome meetings, "meet the class" sessions, therapist meetings, and coffee mornings have given families valuable opportunities to spend time with staff and one another, strengthening our school community.

Learning this term has been rich, varied and engaging. Pupils across the school have enjoyed a wide range of curriculum and enrichment experiences, including museum workshops and visits, science and oracy workshops, bikeability training, steel pan music, assemblies, and visits from external organisations. These experiences supported communication, independence, confidence and curiosity, while ensuring learning remained meaningful and accessible for every child.

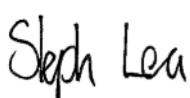
Wellbeing has been at the heart of everything we do. We marked key events such as World Mental Health Day, Anti-Bullying Week, Men's Mental Health Month and Children in Need, helping pupils develop emotional literacy, empathy and self-advocacy skills.

We are proud to have retained our Autism Accreditation Advanced Status. The feedback highlighted our strong relationships, inclusive environments, total communication approach, sensory regulation practices and carefully structured curriculum. Most importantly, it confirmed that Spa Camberwell is a place where children feel safe, understood, happy and supported to thrive.

Community has also been a strong focus this term. Families have generously supported a local food bank, taken part in family assemblies and discos, and engaged with online safety guidance.

As we look ahead, we are incredibly proud of our pupils' progress and grateful for the trust and involvement of our families. Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We look forward to continuing our work together in the new term.

I wish all members of our school community a peaceful, happy and well-deserved break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new term.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Steph Lea'.

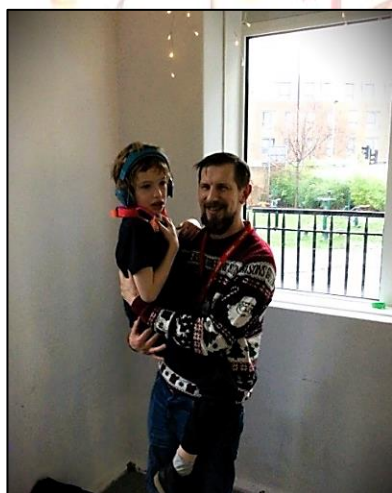
Steph Lea  
Executive Headteacher

## Highlights from this week

### EYFS & Key Stage 1 Christmas Crafts



### Key Stage 2 family disco



### Christmas dinner



## Looking Ahead

- **First day of school Spring 1** – Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- **Last day of school Spring 1** – Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- **First day of school Spring 2** – Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Support for families

### 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.

Information on the cost of living can be translated into different languages using the translation option on the bottom right hand side of the [Cost of living, Southwark Council](#) web page.

A festive poster for the Southwark Winter Holiday Session. It features a snowman, children playing, and a QR code. The text includes the dates 22nd, 23rd, 29th, and 30th December, from 10 AM to 3 PM, at St George's CofE Primary School. It lists activities like sports, playground games, and arts & crafts, and mentions a 1:4 staff-to-child ratio. It also includes a QR code for booking and contact information for Faye Jordan.

**sportworks**

**SOUTHWARK**

**WINTER HOLIDAY SESSION**

**22nd, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> December**

**10 AM - 3 PM**

**VENUE: ST GEORGE'S COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL, SE5 7TF**

**5-18 YEARS OLD**

**ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ Sports and playground games
- ✓ Arts & crafts
- ✓ 1:4 staff-to-child ratio, with limited 1:1 support places available.

**Eligibility:** Must reside in Southwark Borough and have an EHCP

**Book your Child's Place Today:** Booking QR Code  
Included or families can also search "SportWorks" on the EEQU website

For more information, please contact  
[Faye.Jordan@sportworksltd.co.uk](mailto:Faye.Jordan@sportworksltd.co.uk)

Sportworks offers sports and arts and crafts activities for children in Southwark aged 5-18, who have an ECHP.

# 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



Supported by:



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A winter-themed poster for "Southwark's Winter of Food and Fun". The background is dark blue with a light blue wavy shape in the center. Inside the wavy shape is a white snowflake, the text "Southwark's WINTER OF FOOD AND FUN", and a bowl of soup. Surrounding the central shape are illustrations of a red polka-dot mug, a chef's hat, a green pear, and colorful mittens. A dashed white line connects these elements. The Southwark Council logo is in the top right corner.

Southwark Council

Southwark's  
**WINTER  
OF FOOD AND FUN**

Activity programme for children  
and young people aged 4-16  
years who get benefits-related  
free school meals

**22 December 2025 to  
2 January 2026**  
Excluding weekends and bank holidays  
[www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/foodandfun)

Funded by  
  
Department  
for Education

Bookings are now open for eligible children and can be made  
at [www.eequ.org/southwarkfoodandfun](http://www.eequ.org/southwarkfoodandfun).



## 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 19<sup>th</sup> January**  
10am - 12  
MS Teams

[Parenting and Autism](#)

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January**  
10am - 12  
MS Teams

[Parenting and ADHD](#)

**w/c 9<sup>th</sup> Feb**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Ages and Stages](#)

**w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Parenting Foundations](#)

**w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Parental Emotional Wellbeing](#)

**w/c 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Bullying Awareness](#)

**w/c 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Emotional Based School Avoidance](#)

**w/c 23<sup>rd</sup> March**  
10am - 11.30  
MS Teams

[Digital Safety](#)

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
10am  
MS Teams

[Parenting and ADHD](#)

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
10am  
MS Teams

[Parenting and Autism](#)

All sessions held online -  
link will be sent out 1-2  
days before session via  
email



**TO REGISTER FOR A PLACE  
[CLICK HERE](#) OR CONTACT**

**Beth Gilbey**

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[earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk)

[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](mailto:tara.long@southwark.gov.uk) or  
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