

7th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of our Autumn 2 term. On Thursday I showed a governor around the school. The quality of teaching and learning we observed in each classroom was of such a high standard. We look forward to sharing the pupils' progress and achievements with you throughout the term.

Highlights from this week

Our secondary students took part in **BRAVE** workshops this week, delivered by **Connect Futures** and supported by the Mayor of London. These sessions helped raise awareness of the realities of exploitation and provided students with valuable knowledge and skills to help keep themselves safe from extremism.

The workshops were sensitively delivered, practical, and engaging — helping students to build understanding, confidence, and resilience.



Congratulations to our **Key Stage 3** students, who proudly received their Playground Licences during **assembly** this week. The licence recognises their ability to use the playground safely and share equipment kindly. Well done to everyone for demonstrating responsibility and care for others.





Support for families

Southwark Independent Voice (SIV) is hosting a free event this month in partnership with the NHS. The session will include medical professionals from *Sunshine House* and *CAMHS*, who will discuss topics such as Autism, ADHD, and Restricted Eating.

This event is open to all parents and carers of children and young people with SEND living in Southwark. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a *first come, first served* basis. Please see the flyer at the back of the newsletter for details and how to sign up.

Looking Ahead

We have a busy half term ahead, full of opportunities to learn, celebrate, and engage with the school community. You might like to pop this list on the fridge so you don't miss any of our upcoming events.

- **Monday, 10th November** – Parent–Teacher Meetings
- **Tuesday, 18th November** – Parent Training Workshop: 2:00–2:45 pm
- **Friday, 21st November** – KS2 Family Assembly (Burgess & Rye): 10:00 am
- **Monday, 24th November** – Parent Training Workshop: 9:45–10:30 am
- **Friday, 28th November** – KS2 Family Assembly (Brenchley & Mint): 10:00 am
- **Wednesday, 3rd December** – Secondary Coffee Morning: 9:00 am
- **Thursday, 4th December** – Key Stage 1 Coffee Morning: 9:30 am
- **Friday, 5th December** – Key Stage 2 Coffee Morning: 9:30 am
- **Monday, 8th December** – Parent Training Workshop: 9:15–10:00 am
- **Thursday, 11th December** – Key Stage 3 & 4 Family Disco: 5:30–7:00 pm
- **Thursday, 18th December** – Key Stage 2 Family Disco: 2:00–2:45 pm
- **Friday, 19th December** – Christmas Dinner (own clothes) and **Last Day of Term**

As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if there's anything we can help with. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

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

Steph Lea
Executive Headteacher



Southwark
Independent
Voice

Empowering families - creating brighter futures

**Sunshine House and CAMHs
Autism and ADHD diagnosis pathways
Restricted eating including ARFID plus dietician**

**Thursday 20th November 2025
10am until 2.30pm**

**353 Rotherhithe New Road
SE16 3HF**

****Please note places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.***

The Autism & Related Disorders (ARD) pathway

Come along and learn how to apply for an assessment: pre-assessment support available, what the process in the assessment includes and post-assessment support. This presentation including Q&A will be presented by a **Sunshine House Paediatrician, Speech & Language therapist plus clinical psychologist.**

ADHD pathway

Learn how to apply for an assessment: pre-assessment support what the process in the assessment entails plus post-assessment support. This presentation including Q&A will be presented by a **CAMHs Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, Senior Clinical Specialist and Psychologist.**

Restricted Feeding including ARFID pathway

Learn what restricted feeding is and what support is available. Referral criteria: assessment and therapy offer. This presentation with Q&A will be presented by **Dietician, Occupational Therapist and Speech & Language therapist**

*This event is for parent carers only who live in Southwark.
Any questions email: info@southwarkiv.co.uk*