

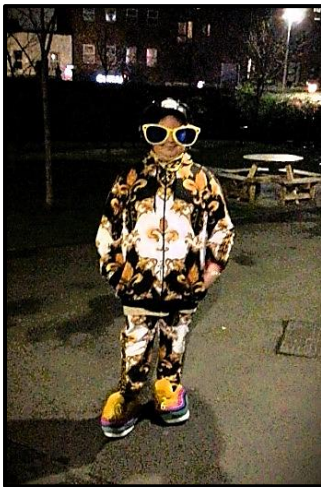
12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

The festive season is well underway, and with it, we've seen a noticeable rise in flu and other seasonal illnesses both within our school community and across the country. Please help keep everyone safe by encouraging good hygiene at home and keeping your child at home if they are feeling unwell. Thank you for helping us look after our school community.

### Highlights from this week Secondary Family Disco

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for the disco. It was a truly joyful evening, full of fun and enthusiasm. A special mention goes to our Student Council for helping prepare the event and making the night so memorable.



### Food Bank Support

Thank you for your generous donations to the City Hope Church and Trussell Trust food bank. Students will be sorting the items next week before delivering them on behalf of our whole school community. Your kindness will make a meaningful difference to local families this winter.



### Christmas Jumper Day

Friday brought a burst of colour and cheer as staff and students arrived in their festive Christmas jumpers—some stylish, some wonderfully silly! The day encouraged lovely interactions and lots of smiles throughout the school.







## Support for families

The festive period can be especially challenging for many autistic children, young people, and their families. Changes to routines, new sensory experiences, and busy schedules can be overwhelming. **Ambitious About Autism** has created a helpful set of [TOP TIPS](#) to support autistic children and young people during the Christmas season. We encourage families to take a look if you feel this might be helpful.

## Winter Food and Fun Programme (22 December – 2 January)

Children aged 4–16 who receive benefits-related free school meals can attend Southwark's *Food and Fun* winter programme free of charge. The scheme offers healthy meals and enjoyable physical activities (excluding bank holidays). Follow this to check availability and book a space.

## Online safety

### Updated Android Controls

Starting December 2025, Google is rolling out new and improved parental controls for Android devices, including:

- Daily screen-time limits to help establish healthy routines
- Downtime schedules to automatically lock devices at night
- Options to limit or block specific apps
- The ability to grant extra minutes when needed

A helpful guide for parents and carers—explaining these updates and how to set up Android controls—is available [HERE](#)

## Looking Ahead

- **Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December** – EYFS and KS1 Christmas Crafts: 2:15 – 3:00 pm
- **Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage 2 family disco: 2:00 – 2:45 pm
- **Friday, 19 December** – Christmas Dinner (own clothes day) & last day of school
  
- **Last day of school Autumn 2** – Friday, 19 December 2025
- **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

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A reminder that there are lots of useful information on our new school website:  
[spa-camberwell.org](http://spa-camberwell.org).

As always, please get in touch if there is anything we can help with.

Wishing you all a calm, happy and restful weekend.

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

Steph Lea  
Executive Headteacher