

21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday was World Children's Day, a welcome reminder of the creativity, joy and individuality that our children bring to our school community every day. At our school, we continue to celebrate the unique talents and achievements of each pupil demonstrating our vision in practice. Our pupils are happy, safe and healthy, they learn and achieve at every level, they develop independence, communication and self-advocacy skills are confident and prepared for their futures.

### Highlights from this week

#### Jack Petchey Awards Celebration

Two of our current students, along with one alumnus, were invited to the Jack Petchey Awards evening on Tuesday. This wonderful event celebrated the achievements of young people across Southwark. Our students enjoyed fantastic performances and proudly received their Jack Petchey medallions on stage from the Mayor of Southwark. We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments.



#### Road Safety Week – Key Stage 3

As part of the PSHE curriculum, our Key Stage 3 pupils took part in National Road Safety Week. They developed their independence and daily routines by learning about road rules, safe crossing habits and how to navigate busy environments with confidence and awareness.



### Key Stage 2 Family Assembly

Thank you to the Rye and Burgess parents and carers who joined us for the Key Stage 2 family assembly. These assemblies are an important part of our enrichment offer, giving pupils valuable opportunities to learn together, develop a sense of belonging and share experiences with classmates in a supportive environment.



### Online Safety

#### For Parents - Cyberbullying Advice

Children being bullied online, particularly in games and via messaging apps, remains one of the top concerns of many parents and their children. Internet Matters has a range of guides and articles to support parents and carers:

- Talking to children and conversation tips for ages 6-10, 11-13, 14-17 and vulnerable children - [HERE](#)
- What is cyberbullying and what are the signs - [HERE](#)
- Helpful ways to prevent cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- How to deal with cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- Parents experiences of cyberbullying - [HERE](#)
- Useful resource - [HERE](#)



### Calling all dads – Men's Mental Health Month

We are pleased to be working with the Southwark Parenting Team to offer three workshops especially for dads. These friendly and supportive sessions will cover:

- Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> November - Parenting and autism: 2:00 – 2:45
- Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November - Digital Safety: 2:00 – 2:45
- Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November - Parenting and emotional well-being: 2:00 – 2:45

This is a great opportunity to share experiences, learn together, and connect with other dads. We hope you can join us.

### Support for families

One Hub is an online platform designed to help young people, parents and carers, and youth professionals discover what's available in Southwark. Whether you're looking for a safe place to go, a fun activity to try, or support from local services, you can find it all on One Hub.

All you need to do is click on this [LINK](#).

You can also find more information in the flyer at the bottom of this newsletter.

### Looking Ahead

- Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Training Workshop - Makaton: 9:45–10:30 am
- Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November – KS2 Family Assembly (Brenchley & Mint): 10:00 am
- Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Secondary Coffee Morning: 9:00 am
- Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> December – Key Stage 1 Coffee Morning: 9:30 am
- Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December – Key Stage 2 Coffee Morning: 9:30 am

### Attendance and Punctuality

We are pleased that our overall attendance remains strong - thank you for your continued support.

- **Absence:** Please call the school office as soon as possible if your child will be absent.
- **Punctuality:** Arriving on time helps pupils settle into routines and prevents disruption to learning.

**Secondary pupils should be ready to leave the playground by 9:00 am.**  
**Primary pupils should be ready for collection from the playground at 9:30 am.**



## Home Time

Thank you for arriving promptly at the end of the school day. This allows our staff teams to meet and plan effectively for each pupil.

**Primary pupils must be collected at 3:00 pm.**  
**Secondary pupils must be collected at 3.15 pm.**

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





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