

20th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all the gifts, cards and warm wishes that have come in to school over the last week. They are all very much appreciated.

End of Term

We had great events this week including a Christmas dinner for everyone and festive attire from some. All lunch sittings were enjoyed by all, pupils and staff alike.



Thank you to the parents and carers who came in to join our Belair, Sunray and Neptune classes in a craft session. It was great to see so many join in and some beautiful pieces were made in the session.

Food Bank Collection

Thank you for the generous donations for our food bank collection. They will be dropped off to a local food bank today.

Local Offer Activities

Please see leaflets attached for the schedule for some short break activities that are available over the break and shortly afterwards.

Holiday Support

If you need any support over the holidays you can call Southwark All Age Disability Team on 020 7523 between the hours of 9-5 or 020 7525 5000 outside of these hours.

School starts back for all pupils on Tuesday 7th January.

Wishing you a peaceful and happy festive period.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erin McCarthy".

Erin McCarthy
Head of School



WARM SPACES

Even with some of the support announced, this winter will inevitably be one of the hardest the people of Southwark have ever faced.

We know people are already struggling to pay their debts and feed their families. With inflation currently around 11%, interest rates rising, and energy bills set to increase again, many residents will soon be choosing between heating and eating.

We called on local businesses and organisations to help support their staff and local people in a variety of ways, including offering up their buildings as a Warm Space, with entertainment for specific communities like movie screenings or entertainers for older people or young families.

As we knew they would, organisations responded quickly and positively offering community spaces across the borough where people can go to stay warm, meet people and even be entertained this winter.



To find out more details including opening days and times, go to www.southwark.gov.uk/warm-spaces

BLACKFRIARS SETTLEMENT

(Borough and bankside)

Join the group's club for older men. Forget-me-Nots club that helps older people maintain their memory, arts and craft socials or just enjoy the warm hub and read, use the internet or chat with other older people.



BRITISH LEGION

(Walworth and Elephant and Castle)

Southwark Royal British Legion Community Club will be opening 10am to 4pm on Mondays and Thursdays for refreshments and games.

CAMBERWELL LIBRARY

(Peckham and Camberwell)

All of our libraries have desk space, comfy places to sit, and plenty of books and periodicals for those who want something to read while they stay warm. People can stay in our libraries for as long as they need to, and our larger libraries are open all day. Libraries also offer cost of living support, computer use and a range of events and activities for families. Go to www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries for more information.

LORDSHIP LANE CHURCH

(Nunhead and Dulwich)

Come down and join in the regular Tuesday coffee mornings, or Thursday lunch club that offers healthy and nourishing food from Black communities.

1	Blackfriars Settlement
2	Time & Talents
3	Age UK Valding Road
4	Love North Southwark
5	London Senior Social
6	St Jude's
7	Blue Anchor Library
8	Canada Water Library
9	John Harvard Library
10	Tate Modern
11	Southwark Pensioners
12	Copleston Centre
13	Southwark Carers
14	Prince of Peckham
15	Elmhouse
16	COVO Connecting
17	Camberwell Library
18	South London Gallery
19	Link Age
20	Christ Church
21	Lordship Lane Church
22	Daffodil Café
23	Ivy Club (green Nunhead)
24	Dulwich Library
25	Grove Vale Library
26	Nunhead Library
27	Pembroke House
28	Draper Hall
29	Mental Fight Club
30	British Legion
31	Golden Oldies
32	Southwark Heritage Centre and Walworth Library
33	Brandon Library



SENsational Stay & Plays and Short Breaks – Christmas 2024



	Monday 23rd December	Tuesday 24th December	Wednesday 25th December	Thursday 26th December	Friday 27th December	Saturday 28th December
w/c 23rd December	Location: Ellen Brown 145 Grange Road, Spa Park, SE13EU Time: 10am–11.30am Ages: 0-5 years Location: Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, Chandler Way SE15 6DT Time: 10am – 3pm Ages: 5-11 years	NO SESSIONS	Christmas Day 	* HAPPY * 	Location: *Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, Chandler Way SE15 6DT Time: 10am – 3pm Ages: 0-5 years	Location: *Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, 29 Chandler Way, Peckham, SE15 6DT Time: 10am - 12noon Ages: 0-8 years
w/c 30th December	Location: *Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, Chandler Way SE15 6DT Time: 10am – 3pm Ages: 0-5 years	NO SESSIONS	New Year's Day	NO SESSIONS	Location: *Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, Chandler Way SE15 6DT Time: 10am – 3pm Ages: 5-11years	Location: *Ann Bernadt Children & Family Centre, 29 Chandler Way, Peckham, SE15 6DT Time: 10am - 12noon Ages: 0-8 years



*At Ann Bernadt there are a few spaces for parents that wish to leave their child to take a break (subject to assessment of need, pre-booking and availability). Please contact childrenscentre@ivvdale.southwark.sch.uk

<https://eequ.org/peckhampeckhamryeandnunheadchildrenandfamilycentres>

For more info visit www.pprncfc.com/sensational-stay-and-play



Southwark Children and Family Centres

Resources for Autism Self-care skills workshop

Life skills workshop to help you grow, connect and thrive, gain tools and knowledge for daily life



Event Details:

When: Thursday 30th of January 6pm to 8pm

Where: The Somerville youth Centre 260 Queens Rd West Se14 5JN

What: In person self care skills workshop 2hrs

For: Autistic adults of Lewisham aged 16 plus / Southwark aged 16 to 25

To find out more contact nazia@resourcesforautism.org.uk
or call to sign up use the QR code below

- Discover yourself and build your personal self-care toolkit.
- Learn strategies to manage mental well-being.
- Set and achieve strategies on managing personal goals.
- Small group discussions facilitated by Silvia and Nazia autism practitioners



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