

Spa Bermondsey Newsletter

Happy New Year everyone! Welcome to our January newsletter.

It has been an exciting start to the new year. We are pleased with the initial feedback we received during our OFSTED inspection and expect to have formal feedback before the half term break. Thank you to those who met with the inspectors and gave feedback online. The inspector was very clear that our pupils are happy, safe and healthy and that our school community is a strong one.

This month we were finalists at the APPG Excellence in School Food Awards—the nomination recognised the excellent work we have done in the School House Café and in Cooking lessons.

We have a busy half term approaching. The date for the Variety Show has been set and we are due to have visits from the Circus and from Ranger Stu before the February half term holiday.

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School Council

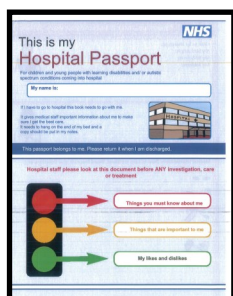
Our School Council meets once a half term and has representatives from every class in the school. This half term, the council discussed changes to the Friday lunch menu. Pupils voted to move away from the traditional “fish and wedges” on a Friday and would like to try Quorn pieces instead. This will be trialed in the Summer term. The pupils also discussed improvements to the Fitness Suite; suggestions included re-painting the space, having new yoga mats and having more machines.



	Student	Council	Agenda
1			Hello and welcome
2			Feedback from the last meeting
3			Chicken name reveal
4			Variety Show
5			Garden planning
6			Any other business

Family Events

After a pandemic interruption, the pantomime was back! This year, we has 111 seats to see Babes in the Wood at the Peacock Theatre in London. PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) provided us with free tickets, transport and snacks to see their annual pantomime, which is performed by their staff. There was an excellent atmosphere in the theatre with lots of singing and dancing. Everyone had a great time!



This month we also hosted a parent session with Shevon Dalena, the Learning Disability Nurse at Kings College Hospital. She spoke with families about the benefits of a hospital passport and how they are used to ensure people with autism get the communication support they need. You can download a copy from our website: Parents / Useful Information

We held our KS4 RSE information session earlier in the term. Sessions are always held prior to pupils beginning RSE work in their PSHE lessons. If you require any support with RSE themes, you can always contact your child’s Assistant Headteacher for advice and support.

Activities in the Community

We know it can be very difficult to find activities for your child to do after school and at the weekends. We keep our website up to date with events and information and you can find links on our website at **Parents / Activities in the Community**.

Millwall FC run free SEND football sessions on Friday evenings between 6-7 for 12-17 year olds. Email for more information: gotim@millwallcommunity.org.uk

If you are a Southwark resident, you can use **gym and swim** facilities for free. Check out everyoneactive.com/southwark-free-swim-gym for more details

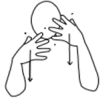








Southwark's **Active Inclusive Together Festival** will be taking place on Sunday 19th February 2023. For more information and to register check out the Access Sport website: www.AccessSport.org.uk

Upcoming dates for your diary

- Spring half term: Monday 13th February—Friday 17th February 2023
- World Book Day: Thursday 2nd March 2023
- Variety Show: Wednesday 29th March 2023
- Easter holidays : Monday April 3rd — Friday 14th April 2023
- Pupil return from Easter break: Tuesday 18th April 2023
- Autism Acceptance Week: Monday 27th March 2023

A list of full term dates, including Bank Holidays can be found on our website: **Parents / Terms Dates**

Key signs

 rain	 snow	 wind
 ice	 cold/winter	 cloudy
 foggy	 hail	 sunny

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