

7th February 2025



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Dear parents and carers,
It has been a busy week for school trips this week with Year 1, Year 2, Year 5, Year 6 and our JD singers enjoying visits outside of school.

I was very proud of our JD singers on Wednesday when we went to sing in the 850 strong Young Voices choir at the O2.

It was a very long day of rehearsals and the performance but the children loved the experience and represented our school fantastically. Well done JD singers!

On Monday, London Bubble Theatre will be coming in to work with our Year 6 children. They will watch a performance and take part in a workshop called 'Playing Safe' which will address youth violence and safety in our community. There will also be a performance for Year 6 parents after school where there will be the opportunity to meet professionals from Southwark Family Early Help and the Youth Justice Services. The after school performance is for Year 6 parents and starts at 3:30pm in the bottom hall.

We have two class assemblies next week, Green 5 on Tuesday and Red 4 on Wednesday. Both assemblies will be in the bottom hall starting at 9am. Good luck Green 5 and Red 4!

There will be a maths workshop for parents of children in Years 1 and 2 on Tuesday morning at 8:45am in the community space with Ms. De Carvalho. Please come along to see how we teach your child maths and to give you some tips on how to help support your child's maths learning.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and we'll see you bright and early on Monday morning.

Miss Rooney



This Weeks Class Attendance Winner

Green 4 with 98.2%

Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is **97%**

Our overall attendance this week is **93.8%**

done Green 4 achieving 98.2% attendance this we

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	88.9%	4
Reception Red	95.0%	3
Reception Green	88.8%	1
Red 1	85.4%	0
Green 1	87.1%	2
Red 2	93.3%	1
Green 2	90.7%	4
Red 3	97.6%	1
Green 3	95.6%	8
Red 4	98.7%	2
Green 4	98.2%	3
Red 5	92.8%	0
Green 5	96.8%	5
Red 6	94.1%	0
Green 6	95.4%	0

Thank you for making the effort to be on time and in school every day this week. Excellent school attendance and punctuality is essential in ensuring that children have every opportunity to enjoy school.

Diamond Ticket Winners this week:



Sebastian R1, Chucks G1, Justine G1, Carlo G2, Sia G2, Jason R3, Kaylee R3, Lea G3, Javier G3, Folashade R4, Hussein R4, Ibrahim G4, Khalid R5, Logan R5, Bella G5, David G5, Adetolani R6, Michelle R6, Tamera G6

Golden Ticket Winners this week:



Azai R1, Wurami R1, Theo G1, Moses G2, Zara G2, Ezra R3, Mubarakah R3, Abdulkader G3, Ryleigh G3, Ibrahim R4, Nialanier R4, Adeola G4, Mohammed R5, Perez R5, Habiba G5, Nathan R6, Praise R6, Lauren G6

Important Parent Information



If your child is unwell or will be absent from school, please can you either:

- Leave a voicemail - stating your child's name, class and the reason why he/she will be absent
- Use the studybugs app which can be downloaded via this link:

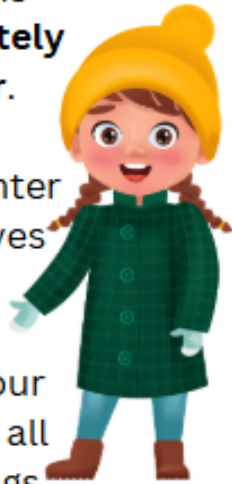
Studybugs

Gentle Reminder

Please can you make sure your child is **dressed appropriately for the weather.**

This includes: Winter coats, Hats, Gloves Scarves etc.

Please ensure your child's name is in all his/hers belongings.



Dates for your Diary:

Upcoming Dates:

10/02/25 **Bubble Theatre Performance (Year 6 ONLY)**
@3:30pm

11/02/25 **Green 5—Assembly**

11/02/25 **Maths Club for Parents (in Early Years & KS1)**
@ 8:50am (1hour duration) in (Community Space)

12/02/25 **Red 4—Assembly**

March Dates

07/03/25 **World Book Day Celebration**

Term Dates

Spring 1	Mon 6th Jan 25	Fri 14 Feb 25
Half Term	17th Feb 25	21st Feb 25
Spring 2	Mon 24th Feb 25	Fri 4th April 25
Easter	7th Apr 25	21st Apr 25
Summer 1	Tues 22nd Apr 25	Fri 23rd May 25
Half Term	26th May 25	30th May 25
Summer 2	Mon 2nd June 25	Tues 22nd July 25 @ 2pm



Please make sure you follow us on Instagram and Twitter, @JDPSoffice. We will be posting live updates and pictures to show what is going on within your child's school day.



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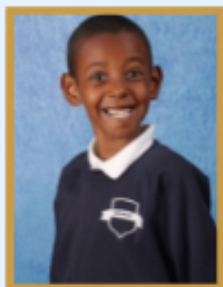
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Congratulations to our
Top Doodler of
the week...



Abdulkader R3
has achieved a
250-day streak in
DoodleMaths!

 doodle

Congratulations
to our Top Doodling
class of the week...

Red 1
with
984 Stars

 doodle

Studies shows by Doodling 10-15minutes a day, your child will improve his/her Maths skills. So...
Keep Doodling!

If you need any assistance or help when it comes to using Doodlemaths (Year 1- Year 6), Please speak to your child's class teacher.

UNA MARSONS LIBRARY

WITH YEAR 6



On Monday Year 6 has visited the Una Marson Library to learn about migration in Southwark. The children thoroughly enjoyed looking at artefacts and archive materials from many years ago.

TOWER OF LONDON

WITH YEAR 5



Year 5 visited the Tower of London where they learnt about the wives of King Henry VIII and how they influenced him as part of their history learning.



WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

WITH NURSERY



Nursery had lots of fun and engagement with activities such as: Making mud and exploring a cornflour/cocoa and water mixture, Retelling the story whilst walking puppets and play people through different malleable trays, Drawing to represent the different land types the family travelled through and making patterns with bears.



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Pizza TIME

WITH GREEN 1



Green 1 had an amazing time at Pizza Express this week, where they got the chance to make their own pizzas! They learned about the different ingredients used in pizza making. Afterward, everyone enjoyed eating their delicious creations for lunch. It was a wonderful experience for all!



YV YOUNG VOICES Concert 2025

Childeric Choir Shines at Young Voices!

Childeric Choir once again made their annual pilgrimage to the O2, where they sang their hearts out, danced their socks off, and proved that they **Couldn't Stop The Beat!** With all the energy of a Footloose dance party, our very own Nicest Kids in Town lit up the stage, grooving **The Night Away**. Along the way, they made new friends and reconnected with familiar faces—each moment sparkling like a Firework in the night sky.

We couldn't be prouder of our choir and all the hard work they put in to make this evening spectacular. A huge thank you goes out to all the amazing adults who helped make this trip possible—especially Ms. Channan and Ms Tammana and their help behind the scenes.

For those who couldn't attend—or if you'd simply love to relive the magic from the comfort of your home—concert recordings are available for purchase here.

Well done JD Singers; you were amazing!

I have uploaded the photos here.

Many thanks,
Nicole



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Parent Learning Opportunities

Parent Maths Club



Come along and learn some Mathematics!

How we teach Maths to your kids, the different methods used and what you can do to help your child at home.

For parents of children in Early years and Key Stage 1
(Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

Tuesday 11th February 2025

8:50am in Community Space

Hosted by Ms De-Carvalho

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Clubs-Adverts-Promotion

Spring Term 1 Timetable

Wednesday 8th January - Friday 14th February 2025

All sessions are free to attend

Dulwich Wood Children and Family Centre Lyal Avenue, London SE21 8QS					Crawford Children and Family Centre Crawford Road, Camberwell SE5 9NF					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
9:30am-11am Baby Group (0-18 months)	10am-11:30am Bookstart (0-5 years)	10:15am-11:15am Baby Massage (0-2 years) *Booking is Required 12pm-2pm Breastfeeding Drop-in *last arrival at 1:30pm 1:30pm-2:30pm Chattertime Plus (2-5 years)	10am-11:30am ToddlerTime & Early Words Together (2-5 years) 1:30pm-3pm SENsational Play (0-5year)	10am-11am Move and Groove (0-5years) 10:30am-11:30am & 12:15pm-1:15pm Melody for Mum (0-5years) Saturday 1:30pm-3pm Baby Giggles & Wiggles (0-5years) *Term time only	1:00pm-2:30pm Baby Group (0-18 months)	10am-11:30am Bookstart (0-5years) Camberwell library 10am-12pm Breastfeeding Drop-in *last arrival at 11:30am 1pm-3pm ESOL *Term time only	10am-12pm EPEC- Baby & Us *Referrals only starting 29th Jan 1:30pm-3pm Stay and Play & Early Words Together (0-5years)	10am-12pm Health Visitor (0-2years) *last arrival at 11:30am	1pm-2:30pm Yoga for Parents Wellbeing *referrals only starting 10th Jan	
Additional Sessions Booking is Required for these sessions			Albrighton C&F Centre 37 Albrighton Road, London SE22 8AH		The Grove Children and Family Centre Tower Mill Road, London, SE15 6BP					
Thursday 16 th Jan-13 th Feb: Story Socks 9:15am-11:15am *Dulwich Wood Friday 17 th January: Henry Starting Solids 10:00am-12pm *Crawford Friday 14 th Feb & 14 th March: Henry Starting Solids 1pm-3pm *Dulwich Wood Thursday 30 th January: Story time at the Gallery 1:30pm-2:30pm (0-5years) *Dulwich Picture Gallery			Wednesday 10am-11:30am Stay and Play (0-5years) 1pm-2:15pm Chattertime (2-5years)		Monday 1:30pm-3pm Baby, Me & Wellbeing (0-2years)			Tuesday 10am-11:30am Stay and Play (0-5years)		Thursday 10am-11:30am SENsational Play (0-5years)

Find Out more!

We can provide you with Foodbank

Live in Southwark and have a child under 5 register for a monthly free book till their 5th birthday: [Imaginationlibrary](https://50thingstodo.org/)

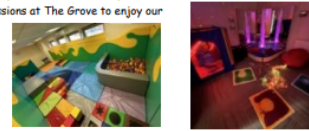
Rose Voucher Collection days are Monday from 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm & Thursday from 1pm-3pm at Our Crawford Centre.

<https://50thingstodo.org/>

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Family Support & Advice Session:
Book in a face-to-face or phone call appointment to get advice and support on any well-being queries you may have: email us at: cdcfcoffices@dulwichwood.com

Free Soft Play and Sensory room:
Come along to our sessions at The Grove to enjoy our soft play and sensory rooms.



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Web: <https://www.dulwichwood.com/aardvarkcc/>

Twitter: [@C D cfc](https://twitter.com/CDcf)
Email: cdcfcoffices@dulwichwood.com

Instagram: [c_d_cfc](https://www.instagram.com/c_d_cfc)
Phone: 020 7525 2017

Session description on back.



Free 5-week Learning Unlimited course for parents and carers

Best Start for Nursery

Mondays 1pm-3pm

From 13th January to 10th February 2025

Rye Oak Children and Family Centre
Whorlton Road, Peckham SE15 3PD



What will I get from attending the course?

- Information to help you support your child when he/she starts nursery
- An understanding of the Early Years Foundation Stage
- Information about the nursery day, learning through play and your role as a parent of a nursery-aged child
- The opportunity to share experiences with other parents

How much does it cost?

The course and crèche places are free

Where can I get more information on the course?

To book a place drop in and speak to a member of staff at Rye Oak Children's Centre or email childrenscentre@ivdale.southwark.sch.uk



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17th - 21st FEB
ULTIMATE SPORTS
FEBRUARY
HALF TERM

ARTS & CRAFTS
SPORTS ACTIVITIES
DANCE DRAMA
SINGING

£30 PER LONG DAY
07:30 - 18:00
£15 PER SHORT DAY
10:00 - 15:00

TIMETABLE
17TH - 21ST FEB

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:30 - 10:00	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY
10:00 - 11:00	BOUNCY CASTLE	OLYMPIC GAMES	TRAMPOLINE / GYMNASTICS	DANCE / DRAMA	TRIP DAY
11:00 - 12:00	FOOTBALL / TENNIS	HANDBALL / ROUNDERS	FOOTBALL / BASKETBALL	VOLLEYBALL / CRICKET	TRIP DAY
12:00 - 12:30	GROUP GAMES: PARACHUTE GAME	GROUP GAMES: SCAVENGER HUNT	GROUP GAMES: NINJA WARRIORS	GROUP GAMES: TEAM BUILDING	TRIP DAY
12:30 - 13:30	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
13:30 - 14:30	ARTS + CRAFTS: NEST MAKING	ARTS + CRAFTS: MAKING JELLY	ARTS + CRAFTS: WATER PAINTING	ARTS + CRAFTS: MAKING ICE LOLLIES	TRIP DAY
14:30 - 15:30	BOUNCY CASTLE	OUTSIDE GAMES	OUTSIDE GAMES	OUTSIDE GAMES	TRIP DAY
15:30 - 16:30	SUMMER BINGO	GUESS WHO?	USC CHALLENGE	SCAVENGER HUNT	ULTIMATE SPORTS GOT TALENT
16:30 - 17:00	SNACK	SNACK	SNACK	SNACK	SNACK
17:00 - 18:00	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY

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HALF TERM
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SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY
SHOWTIME: 10:00am (Mixed Ages)

Join us for our interactive Saturday Family Music Show!
Come and participate with our instruments, led by Anna on Violin.
Online booking essential

£11 per child, £5.50 for siblings
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50 things to do before you're five

50 exciting, open-ended ideas for play for children aged 0-4.
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#50 Things
#8 Bubbles!

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CHROMATICA
ORCHESTRA

Family concert



The Carnival of the Animals


FEBRUARY HALF TERM EVENT

BATTERSEA ARTS CENTRE
WED 19 FEB 2025,
12 NOON & 3PM

A family-sized romp for the wild at heart. Spark imagination and ignite creativity in your little one at our creature feature family concert, brought to life with big-hearted fun.

Tickets £12

BOOK NOW
chromaticaorchestra.com



The Carnival of the Animals

Family concert

WED 19 FEB 2025,
12 NOON & 3PM

Have you ever seen a tortoise dance the can-can or an elephant attempt a nimble waltz? How about violins masquerading as cheeky, pecking hens or kangaroos leaping across pianos? No? Well, you can find them all and more in French composer Camille Saint-Saëns' fun-filled *The Carnival of the Animals*.

Conductor Tess Jackson, presenter Jessie Maryon Davies and Chromatica Orchestra will be joined on stage by young people from the Music in Secondary Schools Trust to introduce your young musicians to the awesome sounds of a live orchestra.

Giggles are guaranteed!

Tickets £12

In partnership with




Conductor
Tess Jackson



Presenter
Jessie Maryon Davies



BOOK NOW
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NARNIA KIDS CASTING CALL

Nina Gold (PADDINGTON, STAR WARS, THE CROWN, GAME OF THRONES) is looking for two exceptionally talented kids, a boy and a girl, to play important roles in a new NARNIA film that Oscar nominated Greta Gerwig (BARBIE, LITTLE WOMEN, LADY BIRD) has written and will direct.

We want to hear from all interested young actors, regardless of experience.

We are looking for a boy and a girl to play characters that are 10/11 years old.

The film will rehearse and shoot from June – Christmas 2025 in the UK.

Parents and guardians are asked to apply by email to casting@ninagold.co.uk with name, age, location, height, along with a short piece to camera (on a phone is fine, approx. 30 seconds) about their happiest memory.

Parents and Guardians must state their relationship to the applicant and that they have their permission to be considered for a role in this production.

Please only use this email address to apply.

casting@ninagold.co.uk

Netflix is committed to inclusive, diverse casting. For every role, please submit qualified performers, without regard to age, sex, ethnicity, disability, race, color, national origin, sexual orientation or gender identity or any other basis prohibited by law unless otherwise specifically indicated.

