



## New School Year

Welcome back everyone and welcome to Southwark Park School to the new staff and pupils. The term has begun very happily and calmly.

There has been a new appointment within the Leadership team, we welcome Mr Vernalls who has been appointed Deputy Head.

You will have seen some new faces on the staff. We welcome Ms Wilson (Magpie class), Ms MacAndrew (PPA teacher), Semeli Karyka (EYP in Nursery), Ms Rosie Peters (TA Y3) and Ms Falase (TA Y5).

### EYFS

Nursery – Ms Bush  
Butterfly – Mrs Lawson  
Ladybird – Ms Casey

### Years 1 & 2

Snowdrop – Mr Lederer  
Tulip – Ms Landeg  
Bluebell – Ms Begum  
Daffodil – Ms Hogg

### Year 3 & 4

Robin – Ms Barlow  
Sparrow – Ms Grant  
Magpie – Ms Wilson  
Starling – Ms Begum

### Year 5 & 6

Beech – Ms Ortega  
Willow – Ms Jones  
Maple – Ms Proctor  
Sycamore – Ms Harries

## Cakes Needed!

Southwark Park Parent Association are holding a Coffee morning on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October to raise funds for the charity MacMillan Cancer Support.

If you are able to donate cakes please speak to Sharon, Mrs Foreman, Kirsty or any member of the PA.



## Dates for the diary

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September –  
2.15pm: Secondary transfer meeting

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Y6  
School Journey

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Macmillan  
Coffee Morning

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October –  
Parents' Evening

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Last day  
of school for half term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – INSET  
DAY: School closed for children

## Meet and Greets

Year 1 to 6 hold a session for parents to meet the year group team and to find out about the expectations for the year as well as PE times, arrangements for homework and reading.

It is a very useful session so look out for the letter with the time and date for your child that will be heading your way.

***Nursery admissions – if your child is born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014 they are eligible for 15 hours in Nursery from January 2017. Have you applied?***



## Getting to know everyone

During the first week in September the teachers plan and deliver lessons to help the class, adults and children, get to know each other.

Each year group has a focus which enables the children to develop a greater acceptance of each other, whilst prompting children to ask questions.

This links to UNCRC article 12 (respect for the views of the child), article 13 (freedom of expression) and article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion).

Year 1 – Where do you come from? Linking to the languages that are spoken within the class.

Year 2 – My friend has been to... Looking at the countries that the class come from or have visited.

Year 3 – I believe, you believe. Thinking about people's different beliefs and cultures.

Year 4 – I don't want to play football! Discussing independent thought and not following peer pressure.

Year 5 – Similarities and differences. Finding out about how people within the class are similar and different to you.

Year 6 – What is so special about me? We are all unique and celebrating this.

## Items to bring into school

- Reading books and completed reading record
- PE kits for PE lessons
- If your child has packed lunch, it needs to be in an appropriately sized lunch bag, not a large fashion bag.
- Jewellery should not be worn in school, only stud earrings are allowed

***A quick reminder to please label your child's jumpers, cardigans and coats as with the changeable weather children often take them off and leave them around.***

## Parents Association

We are holding our first meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm in preparation for the MacMillan Coffee morning. Everyone welcome, come along and see what the plans are for the year.



## Attendance & Punctuality

Southwark Park School achieved 95.14% for compulsory school age attendance last year.

Our aim is to achieve 96% this academic year.

Please ensure your child is in the classroom and ready to learn at 8.55 and is collected promptly at the end of the day.

Holiday dates are available on the school website.