

Thursday 15th December 2022



Dear Parents,



It has been a very festive last week of term. This has been helped by the sudden snowfall at the weekend that made both of our buildings look like the front of a Christmas Card (see the picture of Randall Place above!). At the start of this week, St Alfege Church was filled with parents who were entertained by our children singing a selection of seasonal songs. The quality of the singing was excellent and a big thank you to all our pupils for their dedication to this event.

A big thank you to our parents, staff and pupils in Years 1, 2 and 3 for showing our school the value of **perseverance**, as we dealt with the challenges of heating. I am glad to report that the boiler is now fixed and our buildings are warm again!

It has been a wonderful term. Our children continue to make great progress with their learning across the curriculum and I look forward to seeing their work next term.

For now, on behalf of the staff and governors of James Wolfe Primary School, may I wish all of our families a happy and peaceful Christmas. Here's to a great start to 2023. I look forward to seeing everyone in the new year.

Happy Christmas!

**Kind regards,
Mr Harris**

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AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The letter regarding next term's after-school activities, with details of how to set up your account and book, was sent out on Monday and a copy can be found at <https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/school-newsletters-and-parent-letters>. Please check your spam/adjust your settings if you think you did not receive it.

Next term's after-school activities will commence the week beginning Monday 16th January 2023, and run for ten weeks. **Bookings opened yesterday at 1pm.** Activities have a limited availability, with prices from £5.00 to £7.00 per session. **Places are booked on a first-come, first served basis. Parents of children eligible for the benefit Free School Meals, who are entitled to one free activity, should contact the school office after setting up their account.**



HELP FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

The Royal Borough of Greenwich are concerned that many families do not know that they can access extra help and entitlements (such as free school meals, school clothing/journey grants and social security benefits) because they don't know they can claim. There are also local and national schemes to help residents struggling with rising living costs. We encourage everyone to read the leaflet on our website at <https://tinyurl.com/549d3ksx> and to contact the Welfare Rights Service to check that they are not missing out on extra help and support.



DINNERS

Please can parents note that a swap from packed lunches to school dinners, or vice versa, can only be made on the first day back after a holiday. If you wish to make a change, please ensure we are informed on your child's return to school.



VOUCHER SCHEME

FUNDS FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Funds will once again be provided over the holiday by Royal Greenwich to those FSM families who consented. If parents/carers are not in receipt of Free School Meals for their child but feel they would qualify, they should apply at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>. Should you find you are not eligible but are experiencing hardship, please contact the school.

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



The FJWS would like to wish you all a healthy, happy holidays! We will be back in January with a date for our EGM -- there is still time to step up and be part of this amazing team! The Chair and Secretary positions are still available. If you are considering it, please get it touch with us.

Stay safe and we will see you in 2023!

Please follow/like us on Twitter/Facebook to find out more about what we do, as well as about upcoming social/fundraising events. All are welcome!

Email: friendsofJWS@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/FJWSGreenwich>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich>

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5th Dec. to Friday 16th December -- Year 4 Sun Daily Swimming Course
Monday 5th Dec. to Friday 16th Dec. -- Year 4 Mercury Daily Swimming Course
Thursday 15th December -- School Choir Carol Singing Trip to Canary Wharf
Thursday 15th December -- Royal Hill Christmas Dinner
Friday 16th December -- Royal Hill Advent Window Opening (3:15pm)
Friday 16th December -- Class Parties - Children May Wear Party Clothes
Friday 16th December -- Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3rd January -- First Day of Term - INSET DAY
Wednesday 4th January -- Years R-6 Return to School
Wednesday 4th January -- Nursery Closed
Thursday 5th January -- Nursery Children Return to School
Friday 6th January -- Year 5 Rugby Gala (Hervey Road Sports Ground)
Monday 9th January -- Year 3 Poplar Trip to Horniman Museum
Monday 9th January -- Year 4-6 Centre Trip to Workshop at Imperial War Museum
Tuesday 17th January -- Year 4 Choir Trip to Young Voices at the O2
Wednesday 18th January -- Year 3 Oak Trip to Horniman Museum
Wednesday 18th January -- Year 5 Jupiter & Neptune Trips to Maritime Museum
Wednesday 18th January -- Girls' Football Fixture Day at Meridian Sports Ground
Thursday 19th January -- Year 5 Earth & Mars Trips to Maritime Museum
Friday 20th January -- Year 2 Trip to Tower of London
Thursday 26th Jan. to Friday 27th January -- Year 6 Trips to Imperial War Museum
Thursday 26th January -- Boys' Football Team Fixture Day

STANLEY'S SPORTS ACADEMY

https://www.stanleysportsacademy.com/holiday-comp

20 FREE SPACES AVAILABLE!
Book via email
nadira.a@ssportsacademy.org

@ AHQV Centre, SE8 3JY
Mon 19th - Wed 21st December
10:30am - 3:30pm

Christmas Craft
Science Experiments
Variety of Sports
Lots of fun!
Working with greenwich council.

SEASON 2022



Young Education Services

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James Wolfe Royal Hill Campus location

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To book or find out more about YES please call
or visit us online at www.youngeducationsservices.co.uk
Call: 07935 422 553 or 07850 132 904
James Wolfe Campus, Royal Hill, London, SE10 8RZ





Join The Strings Club for a jam-packed week of festive fun!

Running during the lead-up to a special festive time for all, we guarantee that children at The Strings Club Holiday Camps will leave us feeling happy, inspired and ready for a magical Christmas.

Dates: Mon 19th Dec - Thu 22nd Dec 2022

Each morning will include fun-filled Ukulele, Guitar or Violin sessions where children will learn some Christmas classics. Free hire of an instrument to take home too!

Afternoons include unmissable workshops based on their theme of the week "Festive Fun". These include:

- ▲ Harry Potter's Yule Ball
- ▲ Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker"
- ▲ Christmas Carol
- ▲ Panto (oh no you don't!)
- ▲ Plus much much more!

Don't miss out on our End of Holiday Camp Grand Concert too!

Recommend to a Friend for 10% Off - For Both of You!

- ♥ You: a 10% off voucher for your next booking with us.
- ♥ Your Friend: can also claim 10% off their booking with us

Visit www.thestingsclub.org or call our Head Office team on 0121 296 9204.

Why Consider Us?

- ☑ EYFS Ofsted-registered so we can welcome children aged 4 all day
- ☑ Feel free to book one day to the whole experience
- ☑ Free hire of an instrument
- ☑ £50 per day plus 10% sibling discount
- ☑ Qualified, experienced, fully DBS checked team
- ☑ Standard hours and Extended Hours available
- ☑ Childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare accepted

We look forward to seeing you soon!



Arty Party
Christmas Workshops
Monday 12th - Friday 30th December 2022
9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

Join us this Christmas as we take a peek into Santa's workshop! We'll be heading to the North Pole to help prepare all the presents for Santa's sleigh. Get all your Christmas presents sorted this holiday as we make...

Fabulous Felt Decorations, Gorgeous Gingerbread House Boxes, Stunning Stags Heads, Marvellous Mirrors, Miniature Self-Portraits, Wonderful Whale Candlestick Holders ... Oooh and all the usual Fun & Games!

In a week your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories.

Learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as screen printing.
Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:
WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK
Cost £45 per day

Children must be 5 years & above
Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!
Booking is for a minimum of 2 consecutive days
We accept childcare vouchers!

For any more information please email or call us:
020 8675 7055 john@artyparty.co.uk

WHERE TO FIND US...

Wimbledon: The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD - 12th - 22nd & 28th - 30th Dec
Batham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 19th - 22nd & 28th - 30th Dec
Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 19th - 22nd Dec
Clapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX - 19th - 22nd Dec
Blackheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL - 19th - 22nd Dec
New Dulwich: Dulwich Sports Ground, Turney Road, SE21 7JL - 19th - 22nd Dec

Royal Greenwich Together
HOLIDAY FOOD and FUN

Children who receive free school meals can get a free holiday club place in Royal Greenwich.

With Holiday Food and Fun there are activity clubs across the borough ready to provide everything from football to arts and crafts, at no cost to parents.

No need to worry about what to do with the kids outside of school - sign up now!

royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun

Department for Education ROYAL borough of GREENWICH

Children and young people who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals can get a free holiday club place this Christmas. The Royal Greenwich Holiday Food and Fun programme is back, offering families free holiday club spaces over the festive break. Every club will provide a healthy lunch, as well as activities ranging from coding to gymnastics - and everything inbetween. Children aged between 4 and 16, and receiving or eligible for benefits-related free school meals, can claim a spot. Clubs are inclusive to children and young people with SEND, and some clubs can provide additional support such as small groups, 1:1 or specialist support. Holiday Food and Fun will run between December 19th and December 30th -- families should contact clubs directly to book their space. For more information, please visit <http://royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun>, or <https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidaymeals> for times and locations of free meals.

ANNA FIORENTINI THEATRE & FILM SCHOOL
THE AWARD-WINNING PART-TIME SCHOOL FOR 4-18 YEAR OLDS
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TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 9

Flu vaccination clinics

It is not too late for your child to receive the flu vaccination

If your child did not receive the nasal flu vaccination at your school session and you would now like them to receive this, or you would like the alternative injectable flu vaccine which does not contain porcine gelatine, clinics will be available on the following dates.

Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st December at

Heathview, TreeTops Building Goldie Leigh Site Lodge Hill Abbey Wood SE2 0AS - from 10.00am to 1.30pm

If you are interested and would like more information or would like to book an appointment, please call the immunisation team on

0208 320 5741/42/21.

Protecting your child can stop flu spreading and infecting those around them who maybe more vulnerable.

Oxleas NHS Immunisation Team can be contacted by email at

oxl-tr.immunisations@nhs.net

For more information on the flu vaccination programme please go to

www.oxleas.nhs.uk/immunisation also www.nhs.uk/child-flu



Family Fun Day at the Migration Museum

Saturday 17 December 2022 | 11am - 3pm | FREE

Join us for a day of fun activities for the whole family to celebrate International Migrants Day.

Discover the incredible migration stories of the Migration Museum and explore your own personal connections to migration, with a range of free activities for all ages.

Including:

Festive cross-stitch workshop led by Amanda
A treasure hunt coordinated by Very Puzzled's Patrick Adom

No booking needed - drop in anytime to join in the fun!

Migration Museum
Lewisham Shopping Centre (Central Square)
London SE13 7HB

www.migrationmuseum.org



Spring Term Courses 2023
For Children, Young People & Adults
January - March 2023

Greenwich Music School

Music courses from your local, award-winning music education specialists!

Spring Term Courses 2023:

Fourtissimo! | Age 4
Children will learn about music in a fun, group setting, through songs, games and creative activities.
Saturdays: 9.15 - 9.45am
Mycenae House (SE5 7JG)
Thursdays: 4 - 4.30pm
Saturdays: 10 - 10.30am
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)

Music Club | Age 5 & 6
Sing, make music & play together to grow understanding of rhythm, pitch and composition.
Mondays: 4.25 - 5.05pm
Thursdays: 4.40 - 5.20pm
Saturdays: 10.40 - 11.20am
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)
Saturdays: 10.45 - 11.25am
Mycenae House (SE5 7JG)

Artist Studio | Ages 10+
Write songs and music, compositions and arrangements using instruments, voices and online music production software. Record and mix your work ready to share.
Saturdays: 11.45 - 12.30pm
Thomas Tallis School (SE3 9PX)

Band | Age 7+ or 13+
Play rock, pop, soul or whatever you're into, performing and learning the music you love.
Level 1 (Beginners & confidence aged 7+)
Saturdays: 9.30 - 10.20am
Thomas Tallis School (SE3 9PX)
Level 2 (Those learning an instrument/voice, aged 8+ or 13+)
Saturdays: 10.30 - 11.25am, 12.30 - 1.15pm
Thomas Tallis School (SE3 9PX)

Piano Starters, Guitar Starters, Recorder Starters, Violin Starters
Age 6 - 9
Our friendly group classes include essential technique, music-reading and performance skills. Age 6 & 7 except where noted.
Piano:
Tuesdays (Age 8 & 9): 5 - 5.30pm, 5.30 - 6pm, 6 - 6.30pm, 6.30 - 7pm
Fridays: 4.30 - 5pm
Saturdays: 10.30 - 11am
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)
Thursdays: 5.15 - 5.45pm
Vanbrugh Studio (SE10 9HP)
Guitar:
Tuesdays (Age 8 & 9): 4.30 - 5pm
Fridays: 4.30 - 5pm
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)
Recorder:
Fridays: 5 - 5.30pm
Vanbrugh Studio (SE10 9HP)
Violas:
Saturdays: 10.30 - 11am
Saturdays (Age 8 & 9): 11.30 - 12pm
Vanbrugh Studio (SE10 9HP)
Ukulele Mondays | Age 6 - 8
Learn ukulele - get the perfect first experience of learning an instrument in this all-inclusive group. Instruments provided, just turn up and play!
Mondays 5.15 - 5.55pm
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)

Private Tuition
One-to-one Lessons | Age 5 - 18+
Weekly lessons in all instruments & voice are available online or at our bespoke teaching venues. We welcome beginners or experienced players, children and adults.
Enquire online or by phone to book a lesson or for more information.

Junior Voices | Age 7 - 11
Training choir - regular performances, record music videos, opportunities for soloists to take the spotlight. Each rehearsal includes vocal technique work.
Mondays: 4.45 - 5.45pm
Charlton House (SE7 8RE)

Chords: Adults Guitar Group
Adults 18+
Enjoy learning guitar, building technique and playing together throughout the year.
Beginners (You will need an instrument)
Tuesdays: 7 - 7.50pm
Fridays: 7 - 7.50pm
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)
Continuers (Have been learning for at least 3 months)
Fridays: 7 - 7.50pm
The Stables, Charlton House (SE7 8RE)

Holiday Courses
Make music all year round! Get creative, enjoy making music with others or try something new in our short courses and holiday camps.
Check our website for upcoming courses

Book Now

Find your nearest centre

Vanbrugh Studio
137 Vanbrugh Hill
Greenwich, London
SE10 9HP

Mycenae House
90 Mycenae Road
Greenwich, London
SE13 7JG

Charlton House
Charlton Rd
London
SE7 8RE

The Stables at Charlton House
Charlton Rd
London
SE7 8RE

Thomas Tallis School
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Park Road
London, SE13 9PX

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NATIONAL POETRY DAY COMPETITION

So many wonderful entries have been chosen for our **Young Writers: Imagine - Through The Eyes Of...** poetry competition, which we launched to celebrate National Poetry Day back in October. In this competition, children were asked to write a poem from another point of view. The parents of children chosen for publication have now been notified via letters from the Young Writers Team. Please can parents who have received one of these letters ensure they complete the permission for work to be published via pupil letter or the Young Writers online portal by Sunday 18th December. If permission is not received by this date, unfortunately their child's work cannot be published.



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