

Dear Ivydale families,

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year to you all! As we look ahead to 2025, we have lots of exciting plans for the school.

At our INSET day on Monday, teachers had training to elevate our Oracy provision across the school. Support staff all attended a conference on SEND (special educational needs and disabilities), called Beneath the Behaviours. We are all looking forward to putting our new skills into practice this term.

We are currently having fortnightly meetings with Southwark and are busy meeting architects, surveyors and planners as we agree plans for the refurbishment project at Bellwood. We look forward to having the final plans which we will share with you as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, the diary for this term is already filling up with our programme of parental engagement events, trips and visits. Please keep an eye on the diary sheet of the newsletter, which I will update every fortnight.

Finally, I would like to ask for your help this term to get our attendance figures back on track. The last few weeks of term have been very challenging with some nasty coughs, colds and bugs going around. However, term time holidays are also having a huge impact on the teaching and learning in class as well as the attendance figures. Please do not book any term time holidays this year as they will not be authorised.

Many thanks for your support,
Judith Lambert, Head of School



TAP – IN SESSIONS

Free and stand alone information sessions for parents and carers on a range of topics.
Join us with **Thinking About Parenting** and TAP in to.....

<p>Digital Safety Tuesday 14th January 12.30 - 2pm MS Teams</p> <p>Thursday 16th January 6.30pm - 8pm MS Teams</p> <p>Parent Emotional Wellbeing Friday 31st January 10.30am - 12 MS Teams</p>	<p>Parenting and Autism Wednesday 5th February 1 - 2.30pm MS Teams</p> <p>Parenting and ADHD Monday 10th Feb 12 - 1.30 MS Teams</p> <p>Ages and Stages Thursday 23rd January 10am - 11.30 MS Teams</p>
--	---



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO JOIN NOW

Beth Gilbey
07394 865 980
bethany.gilbey@southwark.gov.uk
earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk

Missed your flu vaccine?

Live or attend school in the boroughs of
Lambeth or Southwark? Aged 4-16?
Come down to a flu catch-up clinic and
protect yourself this winter!

Saturday 11 January, 10:00 - 14:00
Big Yellow Flexi Offices, SE5 7SW

Saturday 18 January, 10:00 - 14:00
Big Yellow Flexi Offices, SE5 7SW

Saturday 25 January, 10:00 - 14:00
Big Yellow Flexi Offices, SE5 7SW

**Our clinics are walk-in, so no need to
book an appointment.**
Call **020 8614 5495** for more
information

THINKING ABOUT PARENTING COURSES.....

PARENT SESSIONS

WE WILL BE RUNNING 2 SESSIONS ON PARENTING CHILDREN WITH AUTISM OR ADHD.

SESSION 1 – WEDNESDAY 12TH FEB 9.15-10.45

INVERTON BUILDING

PARENTING & AUTISM (YOUR CHILD DOESN'T NEED A DIAGNOSIS IN ORDER TO JOIN)

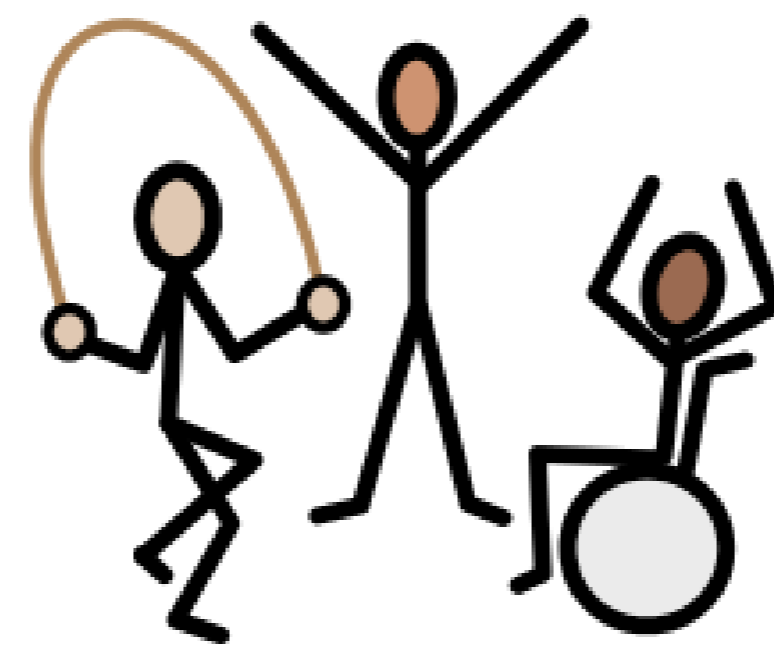
SESSION 2 – WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH 9.15-10.45

INVERTON BUILDING

PARENTING & ADHD (YOUR CHILD DOESN'T NEED A DIAGNOSIS IN ORDER TO JOIN)

PLEASE COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR AN INFORMAL SESSION TO DISCUSS HOW BEST TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AND LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW THEIR NEEDS CAN BE BEST SUPPORTED IN A RELAXED, JUDGEMENT FREE ENVIRONMENT. TEA & COFFEE PROVIDED. YOUNGER SIBLINGS WELCOME.

INTERESTED? SPEAK TO JAN JHARPLEY@IVYDALE.SOUTHWARK.SCH.UK
020 7639 2702



We're currently looking to gather any gym equipment you might have lying around at home that you're no longer using but is still useable (not broken/damaged).

If you have anything you'd be willing to part with, we'd greatly appreciate it.

We particularly need:

Resistance bands

Weighted balls

Wobble boards

Exercise balls



Please reach out to Miss.B via the office if you have anything you'd like to donate.

DIARY DATES

Please note: - dates added for the first time will appear in red

Date	Time	Class	Event	Location
Tuesday 14 th January	pm	Y2	Great Fire Of London Workshop	Bellwood
Thursday 16 th January	All day	Denmark	Visit	Dulwich Picture Gallery
Wednesday 22 nd January	All day	China	Visit	Dulwich Picture Gallery
Monday 27 th January	All day	KS2 EHCP children	Festival of Sport	Bacons College
Tuesday 28 th January	9am	China	Maths Stay and Play for Parents	China Classroom
Wednesday 29 th January	9am	Denmark	Maths Stay and Play for Parents	Denmark Classroom
Thursday 30 th January	9am	Egypt	Maths Stay and Play for Parents	Egypt Classroom
Thursday 6 th February	9am	Y3	Assembly for Parents	Bellwood Top hall
Thursday 6 th February	Evening	All	ILOF Quiz Night	Inverton Main Hall
Friday 7 th February	am	Y5	Benchball Competition	Inverton
Tuesday 11 th February	4-6.30pm	Y4-6	Parents' Evening	Inverton
Wednesday 12 th February	9.15-10.45am	For parents of pupils with Autism	Parenting and Autism Session	Inverton
Thursday 13 th February	9am	Y2	Assembly for Parents	Bellwood Top Hall
Thursday 13 th February	3.45-7.30pm	N-Y3	Parents' Evening	Bellwood
Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February	All week	All	Half Term	
Tuesday 25 th February	3.45-6.30pm	N-Y3	Parents' Evening	Bellwood
Thursday 27 th February	4-7.30pm	Y4-6	Parents' Evening	Inverton
Friday 28 th February	am	Y2	Multiskills Competition	Bellwood
Thursday 6 th February	9am	Y4	Assembly for Parents	Inverton
Wednesday 12 th March	9.15-10.45am	For parents of pupils with ADHD	Parenting and ADHD session	Inverton
Wednesday 19 th March	All day	Uzbekistan	Visit	Deptford Creekside
Friday 21 st March	All day	Togo	Visit	Deptford Creekside
Monday 24 th March	2:30pm	Y6	Exhibition of Work	Inverton
Tuesday 25 th March	2:45pm	France	Old Toys Workshop for Parents	France Classroom
Wednesday 26 th March	am	China and Egypt	Theatre Trip	Unicorn Theatre
Wednesday 26 th March	2:45pm	India	Old Toys Workshop for Parents	India Classroom
Friday 28 th March	am	Denmark	Theatre Trip	Unicorn Theatre
Friday 28 th March	All day	Y4, 5 & 6	Intra school PE challenge	Inverton