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Welcome back to the start of the 2015/16 academic year.



It has been lovely to see all the children settle so quickly into the routines of the new school year after the summer break.

We extend a special welcome to all of our new Nursery/ Reception children who will be starting school next week and wish them a very happy time over the coming years! Time will fly!

Welcome also to all of the new staff who, I am sure, you have or will have the opportunity to meet over the next few weeks.

A special welcome to **Diarmuid Skehan** who has joined the West Norwood team this year as our new Senior Assistant Headteacher. Diarmuid has joined us from a school in Wandsworth, where he taught for 9 years. Before becoming a teacher he worked in marketing.

Interesting facts about Diarmuid!

- * He has two (soon to be 3!) young children who keep him busy and lives locally
- * He plays "hurling" which is a cross between hockey and lacrosse and also enjoys rugby
- * He is a Tottenham fan



Diarmuid is really looking forward to getting to know all the parents/ carers and children over the next few months!



As a staff we have been busy preparing for the new school year and both the Streatham and West Norwood sites look lovely!

This term we shall be focussing on our core values:

- ◆ Respect
- ◆ Integrity
- ◆ Creativity
- ◆ Excellence
- ◆ Resilience

Priorities for this academic year include:

Teaching and learning

- * To continue to ensure that teaching and learning is at least good or better throughout the school

Curriculum

- * To further develop English and Maths in line with the new curriculum
- * To continue to develop the wider curriculum and partnership with external organisation

Cross-site working and practice

- * To ensure that cross-site working is developed and embedded within school practice

Staff development

- * To further develop staff roles within the school including Year Group Leaders, Senior Assistant Headteachers, Classroom Teachers, Administrative staff, Support staff

Behaviour

- * To ensure that standards of behaviour remain high and that children are supported according to their needs
- * This year we shall continue to draw on the success of previous years and look forward to a very successful 2015/16

Can you help a Lambeth family?

Home-Start Lambeth is looking for volunteers to help them with their work.



Home-Start Lambeth trains volunteers to work with families with young children and give practical and emotional support to manage and resolve problems.

Volunteers visit families for 2-3 hours per week, using their own parenting and grandparenting experiences to find solutions. This might be through listening to the parent, reading with the children or helping the family go out to the park.

Volunteers are given a free high-quality training course to develop their skills and prepare them for the things they may encounter with their family. They make new friends, obtain good experience to add to their CV and have a lot of fun too.

A volunteer says - "I really enjoyed my time with Home-Start Lambeth and found it an invaluable experience. The training was excellent and prepared me well for visiting my family".

A family says - "The support I received from Home-Start has been a great experience. I have learnt skills in managing my children's behaviour. Also it's good to communicate with a supportive and understanding person. I've gained confidence and I was very happy with the result."

The next volunteer training course will take place in the autumn. For more information, contact Home-Start Lambeth on (020) 79249292 or info@homestartlambeth.co.uk or visit our website www.homestartlambeth.co.uk Charity number: 1112014. All volunteers will have a DBS check.

School Crossing Patrol Officer



We would like to extend a big welcome to Winston, our new crossing patrol person at the West Norwood site.

Please make him feel welcome and remember to smile and say 'Good morning!' every day!

Some of our Year Four children wanted to find out a bit more about Winston so they sat him down for an interview, finding out the following information:

- ◆ Winston was inspired to become a "lollipop man" when his daughter saw an advert on TV
- ◆ You have to do some careful training before you are allowed to help children cross the road safely
- ◆ Winston has a variety of experience working with children - he has been a school governor and a football teacher
- ◆ Winston loves his new job!

Swimming

Please remember to send your child into school with their swimming kit on the following days:



Year 4s Tuesdays

Year 5s Wednesdays

Year 3s Thursdays

Year 6s Fridays



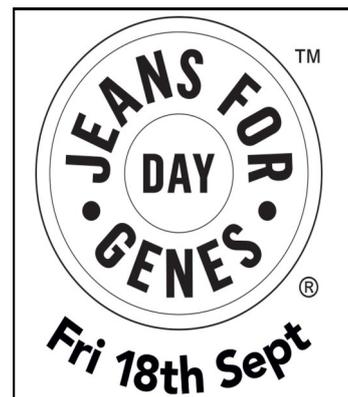
Jeans for Genes Day 2015

Julian's will again be supporting Jeans for Genes day on **Friday 18th September 2015**.

Every year 30,000 children are born with a genetic disorder and, in some cases, it may be life threatening. Potentially one in every 25 children is affected which is the equivalent of one child in every classroom.

Julian's pupils are asked to show their support by wearing jeans on 18th September. We ask that children bring in a £1.00 donation on the day, or whatever you can afford. This money is used towards necessary medical research and to support families and carers of children with a genetic disorder.

Thank you for your support.



Academic Year 2015 / 2016

Friday 23rd October: End of term 1

Monday 2nd November: Term 2 begins

Friday 18th December: End of term 2

Tuesday 5th January: Term 3 begins

Friday 12th February: End of term 3

Monday 22nd February: Term 4 begins

Thursday 24th March: End of term 4

Tuesday 12th April: Term 5 begins

Friday 27th May: End of term 5

Monday 6th June: Term 6 begins

Tuesday 19th July: End of term 6

All pupils should be in school by

8:55am at the latest

and collected promptly at

3:15pm



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Welcome to
Bike It Plus

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Congratulations, your school has been chosen out of thousands of schools across the country to be part of the **Bike It Plus** project. Your child will be introduced to the project in an assembly on the Tuesday the 8th of September.

My name is Felix and I am the Sustrans Bike It officer for Lambeth. I will be working closely with you, your child, the school and the borough to encourage safe cycling into school.

There are many reasons for concentrating on cycling, including:

- It is one of the best forms of exercise for young people.
- When asked, half of all children say they would like to travel to school by bike.
- It's a fun way for children to learn independence and a valuable skill for life.

What happens in a Bike It school?

The Bike It officer will come into your school to:

- Run assemblies,
- Help with the school travel plan,
- Help arrange free cycle training, run playground skills and de-stabiliser sessions,
- Arrange cycling events, like Bike It breakfasts, classroom activities, and after school clubs,
- Hold bike maintenance sessions, and much more.

If you have any queries or want to find out more about Bike It then please contact me by telephone or email (details below). You can read more about **Sustrans** (the charity who run the **Bike It** project) at www.sustrans.org.uk.

Best wishes,

Felix Hilton.

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Family Maths

At Julian's Primary School

When?: Every Wednesday for 6 weeks from 16th September until 19th October

What time: 9am-3pm with 1 hour for lunch

- Find out how your child is taught maths in school
- Learn more about how to support them at home
- Make games and gain skills to make maths fun for your child



Make friends!
Boost your confidence!



Find out how your children are taught maths!
Learn new skills!
Have fun!



Speak to Arabella Yapp to find out more and sign up for the course or call the school on 020 8761 1894