

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, it has wonderful to enjoy some sunshine. The children have had fun playing on our extensive field and finally having their coats off!

Some of our singers from Year 5 and 6 went to Burntwood School for their Brighter Sounds rehearsal this week. We have witnessed the children's confidence grow week-on-week ready for their big performance next week at Fairfield Hall.

Last call for year 5 to sign up for PGL. There are only a few spots left. If you would like your child to attend but aren't yet able to pay the deposit, please let us know.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

**Linsay Thomson**  
Headteacher

## Clubs

After school clubs finished this week. Lots of children have taken part in sports, cooking and art clubs this term.



New clubs will start after the holidays, we are hoping to set up the sign-up form and payment system on School Spider this time. We will keep you informed.

**Eid Mubarak to all our families celebrating Eid al-Fitr this week.**

## Red Nose Day

The Alton turned red today as we supported [Comic Relief](#) by wearing red clothes and accessories, raising money for good causes. Thank you for your support.



## Important Dates

**Last day of Spring Term 2** – Friday 27 March.

**School Holidays** - Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April.

**Inset Day** – Monday 13 April - **School closed for children.**

**First day of Summer Term 1** - Tuesday 14 April - **School open.**

**Year 2 visit Chiswick Pier with the Thames Explorer Trust** – Wednesday 22 April.


**Year 1 visit Holly Lodge** – Thursday 30 April.

**May Day Bank holiday** – Monday 4 May - **School closed.**

**Fox class visit Bocketts Farm** – Monday 18 May.

**Year 3 visit Shree Ganapathy Temple** – Thursday 21 May.

**Full Term dates are [on our website.](#)**

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Our number one priority is to ensure that all children and adults are safe. If you are worried about something or if you are worried about someone else, you can talk to ANYONE who works for the school. Safeguarding is the responsibility of EVERYONE. Childline: 0800 1111

## Appointment of Q1E Trust Chief Executive Officer

We are delighted to have appointed Daniel Terry to the position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Quality First Education Trust.

Daniel has worked in education for over 20 years, with primary teaching and leadership experience, including as a trustee in a Multi Academy Trust across south London. He is currently Deputy CEO of the Cygnus Academies Trust, a network of eight primary academies across South East London, Dartford and Tonbridge.



Daniel Terry says: "I am delighted to introduce myself as the new CEO of the Quality First Education Trust from September 2026. It is a privilege to join a group of schools and communities that are so deeply committed to giving every child the opportunity to thrive.

*I believe passionately that all children should be supported to achieve their goals, and that this is made possible when we invest in the people who work with them every day. High quality professional development for our staff is central to this, because when we strengthen our teachers and leaders, we strengthen outcomes for every child.*

*Children succeed not by chance but because the adults around them build strong, honest relationships and work together with a shared determination to make things better. Great ideas flourish when communities come together with purpose, courage and a belief in what is possible. I am very much looking forward to working closely with families, staff and local partners. By collaborating deeply and authentically, I know we can continue to provide the best possible education for every child, every day, with no exceptions."*

Daniel will officially start at the Q1E Trust in September 2026, but he will be involved in the planning and handover process during the summer term.

## World Book Day

The children and staff enjoyed dressing up and taking part in exciting reading activities during the day. They especially liked doing paired reading with children in other classes. Do visit the shops to use your £1 book token!



**SWLSTG Education Wellbeing Service offers free webinars across the year to support your child's wellbeing and mental health.** You can sign up here: [Early Years \(Nursery & Rec.\)](#) or [Primary \(Rec. – Y6\)](#).

Their next Early Years webinars are on **Managing big feelings in small people** on [20th April, 8pm](#) and [24th April, 12pm](#). For Primary, they are on **Encouraging Healthy Habits in Children with Autism**, [29th April, 12pm](#), **Supporting Primary School Children with Toileting Problems** on [11th May, 7pm](#) and [12th May, 1.30pm](#), and **Understanding and Managing Screen Time for Primary Children** on [10th June, 7pm](#).

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Creative health uses arts, culture and creative activities to support physical and mental wellbeing.

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**Official launch of Focus Hall**  
Thursday 26 March  
10am – 4.30pm  
57 Minstead Gardens, SW15 4ER

- Creative activities for all ages – bunting making, journalling and more
- Meet local groups and organisations
- Ribbon cutting at 2.00pm
- Refreshments provided

Scan the QR code for the full programme



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**Come and tell us about your estates**

Residents of Ashburton South, Ashburton Chartfield & Roehampton estates. Do you have ideas on how to improve your estate?

**4pm to 7pm, 26 March 2026**  
Boyd Court, 101 Carslake Rd, London SW15 3DD

**Come along to meet the council officers who maintain your estates**

- Meet your Estate Managers and Area Housing Manager
- Ask about or request works on your estate
- Raise repairs, find out about works, or give feedback on repairs
- Find out about cleaning and waste services and give feedback
- Find out about other council services and support available
- Find out about how you can get involved in your community and shape council services.

Open to all estate residents!

Before the event, there will be an estate walk about on Ashburton South with the Estate Manager at 3pm, meet outside the venue.

For more activities in your area

If you can't make it, join our feedback group

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### What? Information and Support

- Free confidential information and 1:1 support for anyone affected by cancer
- Open to people living with cancer, as well as family, friends and carers
- No appointment necessary

### When? Once a month

Drop in on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month. 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

### Team Member



Michael

### Where?

**Roehampton**  
Roehampton Library, 2 Danebury  
Ave, London SW15 4HD

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