



Principal: Mr Sam Done BA (Hons)

Chair of Governors: Ms Annie McMaster
9 January 2026

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to all our families, a very cold but very good week back to start the new term! I am so happy to be back and to have seen almost all of you this week.

ATTENDANCE

Thank you to all parents who are really trying hard to get their children to school every day and on time. This week attendance has been very poor with lots of children at home. Please remember cold and icy weather is not a reason for your child to be away from school. If school is open, they must attend.

Please remember all gates CLOSE at 8.50am each morning and after this time children are recorded as late. If you are delayed getting to school, please phone ahead to alert the office otherwise you may be given an unauthorised mark.

This week our winning classes for attendance are Wilma Rudolph class in EYFS and KS1, Delia Derbyshire class in KS2 and Waterloo Bridge class in Little London Bridge!

| Year group | Class name | Attendance |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Nursery | Friendly Foxes | 77.5% |
| Reception | Resilient Rabbits | 90.4% |
| | Helpful Hedgehogs | 83.1% |
| 1 | Ellie Simmonds | 85.7% |
| | Sir David Attenborough | 81.4% |
| 2 | Wilma Rudolph | 93.3% |
| | Nicola Adams | 83.8% |
| 3 | Neil Armstrong | 89.6% |
| | Delia Derbyshire | 95% |
| 4 | Marley Dias | 93.5% |
| | Muhammad Ali | 94.3% |
| 5 | Tu You You | 94.3% |
| | Alex Honnold | 92.5% |
| 6 | Evelyn Glennie | 91.5% |
| | Georgia O'Keeffe | 92.9% |
| Little London Bridge | Chelsea Bridge | 70% |
| | Lambeth Bridge | 91.4% |
| | Waterloo Bridge | 92.5% |
| | Putney Bridge | 85.6% |

WEATHER WARNINGS

As the weather is clearly unpredictable at the moment, please make sure that you are registered with Class Dojo for updates and that we have up-to-date contact details for you including your present address and importantly a current mobile phone for you as parent/carer and for at least one other emergency contact. If we are forced by the weather to close school, you will be notified via Class Dojo and usually via text. Please remember to send children with a warm coat, hat and gloves so that they will be able to play outside at breaktimes. It remains freezing temperatures at the moment, some snow has been forecast this weekend!

LEADERSHIP OF LLA OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS

Thank you to all families who have taken the time to welcome me back and to ask about my health. My surgery went well and I am feeling much stronger! A huge thank you to Mrs Thackray, Mr Gibbons and the whole staff team, for their hard work and commitment while I recovered!

STAFFING UPDATE

Before the holidays we said a fond goodbye to Miss Khan who has worked with us for a year, across Year 3 and Nursery. Ms Maumoniat also left Little London Bridge after almost a term. Miss Jones (LLB) started maternity leave, we wish her every happiness when her new baby arrives. We also say goodbye to Mr Stephenson from our SLT who will soon be beginning a new role nearer to home, and we thank him for his support last term.

January sees a number of new staff starters, and the welcome return of Ms Jones to Upper KS2 and initially Year 6 after having her baby last year. We are delighted to welcome all new colleagues into our team; Miss Spencer into Nursery as our full-time teacher, Miss Lone joins us in the office, Miss Evans and Miss Correia-Tavares as classroom support and Mrs Critchlow who you will recognise from working for us previously, is now a permanent Speech and Language Therapist working in school two days a week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This half term is 6 weeks long and school will close for the end of term on Friday 13th February 2026 at 3.15pm. There are no training days this half term.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Sam Done
Principal

Kelsey Thackray
Vice Principal

GORSE

| Year group | Class name | STAR AWARD | ACHIEVEMENT AWARD |
|------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| | Friendly Foxes | Faisal | |
| Reception | Resilient Rabbits | Lazo | Leo |
| | Helpful Hedgehogs | Lulu | Housen |
| 1 | Ellie Simmonds | Areen | Sohrab |
| | Sir David Attenborough | Isra | Zand |
| 2 | Wilma Rudolph | Norjan | Lakeisha |
| | Nicola Adams | Zara | Kayvan |
| 3 | Neil Armstrong | Theo | Drud |
| | Delia Derbyshire | Sheyda | David |
| 4 | Marley Dias | Ammaar | Onor |
| | Muhammad Ali | Cosmin | Ella |
| 5 | Tu You You | Jumanah | Aleeza |
| | Alex Honnold | Saad | Robel |
| 6 | Evelyn Glennie | Mohammed | Sara |
| | Georgia O'Keeffe | Rose | Sienna |