

IN TOUCH



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It was lovely to welcome so many families to the school for open evening last week. The turnout was excellent and it was good to see a number of current parents at the event with younger siblings who are seeking a secondary school place for September. The students who attended were fantastic ambassadors for their school and I'm grateful to them all for giving up their evening to support SJBC.

PRIZE EVENING

We have another exciting evening event later this week with our annual Prize-giving ceremony. We will welcome Sir David Holmes, founder of Family Action, as our guest of honour and look forward to seeing many of you there accompanying the prize winners. Invitations to all prize-winners went out in July, if you haven't responded please do so by Tuesday 24 September so that we can finalise numbers.

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

I'm delighted that our instrumental and singing lessons will be restarting in the next couple of weeks. If you would like your child to take part, either in individual or group tuition, please read on to see the price of these and how you can apply.

BOSCO DISCOVERY TALKS

This week saw the launch of our Bosco Discovery Talks with Dr Sanchita Pal from Cambridge University talking to sixth form students about her career in Medicine and Education. This week we have the founder of UK Black History Month, Akyaaba Addai-Sebo, joining us to share his experiences about working for social justice and equality in the UK and beyond.

TESCO STRONGER STARTS

Finally a reminder that we are part of the Stronger Starts fundraising project with Tesco and we need your vote next time you are out doing your shopping at that store. The more votes we get the more funding we will receive for a mental health project in school."



KEY DATES

Thursday 26th September

Tuesday 15th October

Thursday 17th October

- Early finish (2:00pm)
- Prize Evening (6:00-7:00pm)

PTFA Meeting (6:00pm)

6th Form Open Evening (4:30 - 7:00pm)

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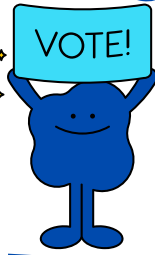
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WE NEED YOUR VOTES

Vote for Our Project at Tesco!



We are thrilled to announce that we have been chosen for Tesco Stronger Starts Grant Scheme, and our project has been put forward for a customer vote in Tesco stores! **YOU HAVE THE CHANCE TO SUPPORT OUR PROJECT BY CASTING YOUR VOTE AT YOUR LOCAL TESCO UNTIL THE END OF SEPTEMBER 2024.**

Our project:

Falconry, Owls and Board Games Battersea. Help to provide our students with a game that enables wholesome fun, critical thinking, teamwork, confidence, and applied mathematics, whilst improving their mental health.

THE PROJECT WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES ACROSS YOUR REGION WILL RECEIVE UP TO £1,500, THE SECOND PLACED PROJECT £1,000, AND THE THIRD PLACED PROJECT £500.

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.



YOUR VOTE MATTERS

Here is a list of stores taking part in the voting on our project:

2211 - Balham Express - SW17 7BQ
2238 - Barnes Church Road - SW13 9HS
2755 - Battersea Rise Express - SW11 1HG
2851 - Tooting Balham High Road - SW17 8BQ
3484 - Putney High St Express - SW15 1SU
4563 - Putney Upr Richmnd Rd - SW15 5QJ
4629 - Earlsfield Statn Express - SW18 4SW
4695 - Prince Of Wales Express - SW11 4FA
4757 - Wimbledon Beaumont Road - SW19 6RY
4774 - Battersea Bridge Road Express - SW11 3AE
4836 - Tooting Express - SW17 0PZ
5354 - Falcon Battersea Express - SW11 2PJ
5420 - Upper Tooting Express - SW17 7EN
5560 - Tooting Broadway Express - SW17 9PE
5822 - Earlsfield Garret Express - SW18 4ED
6133 - Battersea - SW11 4LU
6493 - Wandsworth Hi St Express - SW18 4HY
6566 - Wandsworth Batt R Express - SW18 1TW
6673 - Southfields Re Rd Express - SW18 5LS
6790 - Summerstown Grrat Express - SW17 0NT

To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website [here](https://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk) or visit the website: <http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk>



SJBC HARVEST *Collection*

*We are starting our annual
Harvest Collection.*

*We will be collecting dry food items like:
tinned foods, rice, pasta, biscuits, tea,
packet soup etc*

*The food collected will be taken to the
Wandsworth foodbank.*

*If you would like to donate
food, the items can be dropped
off at the school reception until
the 1st of November.*

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Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Getting Into School & College: Common Challenges & Supporting School Avoidance

It can be incredibly difficult to know how to support your child and help them when they are struggling emotionally with managing and attending school or college. This workshop provides some key tools, understanding and resources for supporting your teen.

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 24th September 1.00-2.00pm

Thursday 26th September 6.30-7.30pm

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams



Sign up to this event for free on Eventbrite (and check out our others!) by scanning the QR Code or following the link below:

[CLICK HERE to book](#)

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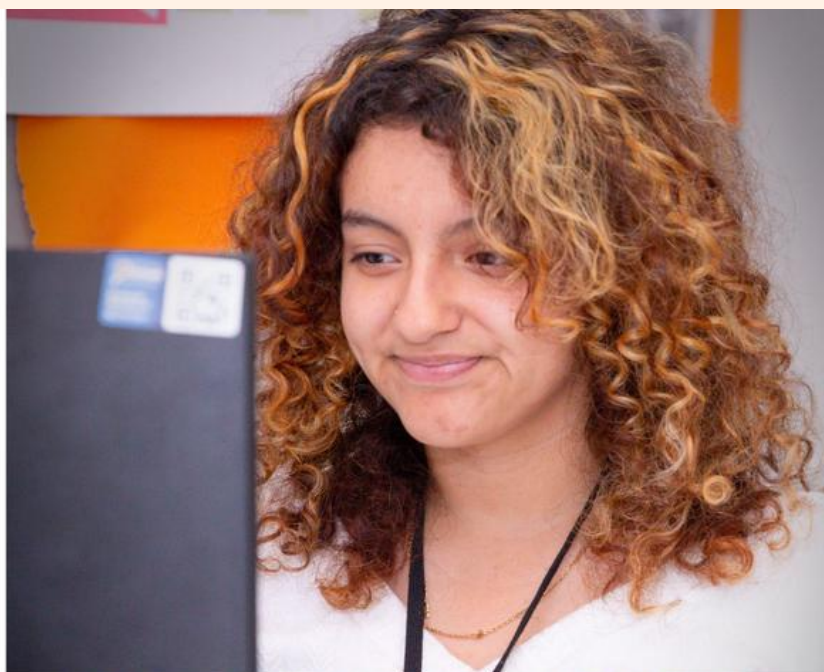


Come and meet our friendly staff and employers to discuss the best subject options and career pathways.

Choose from a selection of
**A levels, T levels,
Vocational courses**
and experience our fantastic facilities with a personalised tour.



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May 2019



**ST JOHN BOSCO COLLEGE
SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER
FROM 4:30PM TO 7:00PM**



Parkham Street, Battersea, London SW11 3DQ
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SJBC

OUR OFFER

Lessons are led by highly skilled instrumental/vocal teachers who can offer the following tuition: Piano/Keyboard, Guitar, Voice, Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute, Drum

Learning a musical instrument can be one of life's greatest joys, especially when one can perform and make music with others in choral and instrumental ensembles.

Musical endeavour can lead to higher levels of self-confidence, self-motivation and self-discipline.

We would therefore urge you to consider taking advantage of the music lessons that we offer for your child.



At SJBC, we want all students to have the opportunity to learn an instrument which is why we offer heavily subsidised lessons.

The school will be contributing **£3.75 per week** to each student's lessons. Furthermore, students listed in Pupil Premium program will be granted further subsidy to the shared lessons (only).

The cost of a **shared** 30-minute lesson will be **£6.50** (Pupil Premium students - **£4.00**). An **individual** 30-minute lesson will be **£15.75**

Therefore, an average cost of **5-week half-term** for shared lessons would be **£32.50** (PP £20) or £78.75 for individual lessons.

Lessons will need to be paid half-termly **in advance** via ParentMail.

Lessons will take place during the school day on a rota to ensure that pupils do not miss the same class lesson each week. Students are expected to check their lesson time on Teams or on the practise room door. This will be posted every Friday afternoon. If you are interested in shared lessons, please indicate this on the form and every effort will be made to pair students at a similar ability.

The tuition agreements should be either left in the reception by students/parents or sent to the school email: info@sjbc.wandsworth.sch.uk



INSTRUMENT HIRE

We are working with Wandsworth Music Service to provide the option to hire instruments from them. Please see the price list below per term: Acoustic Guitar - £27 per term | Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone - £68 per term. For more information, please visit <https://wandsworthmusic.co.uk/instrument-hire/> Other schemes are available so if this option does not suit you, please contact the school to discuss alternatives.

Mr. Wolfsohn, drums teacher



Mr. Wolfsohn has performed in many well-respected venues such as Roundhouse, Jazz Café and Ronnie's; as well as many major UK festivals like Boomtown, Bestival, The Great Escape and Cambridge Folk. He has played on numerous albums, EPs and singles, as well as in theatre pits and big bands.

He has released an album, which has had considerable reach in Korea, reaching up over half a million streams.

Mr. Rietkerk, saxophone, flute, clarinet teacher



Mr. Rietkerk is award-winning jazz saxophonist. He has taken part in several TV and radio performances and took part in writing the music for VPRO's television series 'Naar Bed'. He performed across Netherlands and UK with his jazz band band KRSIX.

He teaches most woodwind instruments (saxophone, flute, clarinet) up to a high level. He always tries to find a way to make students passionate about music and the instrument.

Mr. Carli, guitar, ukulele teacher



Mr. Carli has a wealth of experience, touring with bands both in the UK and Europe. He is teaching in numerous schools in the area and can teach using notation, guitar chord charts and tablature. He can also teach other guitar types, such as the ukulele and bass.

He started his career as a guitar teacher in 2007. He plays and teaches a wide range of styles such as rock, pop, blues, funk, metal, indie, reggae, acoustic folk, hip hop and is incredibly adaptable.

Singing teacher



New singing teacher starting soon

Mr. Luszczki, piano teacher



Mr. Luszczki is a dedicated piano teacher with 25 years experience.

He has performed across the UK. Since 2009 he has been a musical director, composer and arranger for the Polish Theatre in London. He has played the organ from a young age and now is the organist at several Catholic parishes in West London. From an early age he was a piano and organ player. He is active organist at Catholic Churches in several parish around West London.