



# NEWSLETTER

## The Queen's C of E Primary School

*Encouraging every child to reach their full potential, nurtured and supported in a Christian community, which lives by the values of love, compassion and respect.*



14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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## A Message from Ms Stroud

Dear Queens Families,

At the end of another busy week we celebrate all the amazing learning that takes place across the school.

Harvest festival last week was led by our Prayer Ambassadors who shared readings, prayers and poems celebrating harvest. We thank you for your generous donations to our harvest appeal for SPEAR (a charity in Richmond for people experiencing homelessness), so far we have raised £513.00. If you would still like to donate please go to the 'Shop' in the Parentmail app.

This week a team of talented mathematicians from year 6 competed in a Borough maths challenge against both Independent prep schools and state primary schools. They won the competition demonstrating great maths skills and teamwork as they solved a range of challenging maths problems (see details below).

In competitive mode our staff team won the school quiz and enjoyed a first win ever! Thank you PSA team for a great evening and it was lovely to see parents from each class at the event.

Next week year 5 are off on school journey to High Ashurst in Surrey. Ms Verge and I will be visiting for a night and there will be other staff accompanying the trip for the four days. The year 5 and 6 school journeys are a great opportunity for pupils to explore outdoor activities and independence away from home and are a highlight in the school year.

In collective worship this week we have been learning about Parables and how these stories have meanings that we can learn from. We have been thinking the things and people that are precious to us and how we can care and look after things and people we value, learning from the way Jesus showed his love to everyone.

We share a prayer:

*Thank you God that you value each and every one of us  
Help us to look after the things and the people that are special to us;  
Children in our in our class, our year group, our school and all the adults who work with us.  
Help us to remember that we can rely on your love  
Amen*

We remind all parents to be considerate when parking in Cumberland road. Please do not park across any driveways, even for a few minutes. We also ask that, for reasons of safety, children walk with their bikes and scooters until outside the school gates and then take care on the busy pavements.

We wish all our families an enjoyable weekend,

Best wishes,

Ms Stroud-Turp - Headteacher and Ms Verge - Deputy Head

## Christmas Card Orders 2022

### Christmas Cards 2022

This week, your child will have come home with their beautifully designed Christmas card artwork. These have already been scanned and are ready for you to order online. Follow the link [www.apfsorders.co.uk](http://www.apfsorders.co.uk) and enter the details and unique code reference, which can be found on the back of the artwork. Christmas cards, tags, wrapping paper and other exciting products are available.

**The online shop will close at midnight on Monday 24th October.** If you wish to place an order, please do so before this deadline.

Items will be printed and are due to be dispatched back to school the week commencing Monday 14th November.

## Queen's Hold Still



You may remember during lockdown and home learning, we took part in a whole school art project, based on the Princess of Wales's national 'Hold Still' campaign.

We encouraged children to send in photographs of themselves, at home, which represented what they had been doing throughout this time.



## Safety at drop-off and pick up

We have had a number of near misses already this term with adults and children riding bikes and scooters at speed around the site. Last year an adult was hospitalised after an incident with a scooter. At peak times there are simply too many people around for it to be safe to ride bikes, scooters or skateboards. Please **walk all bikes and scooters** as far as the Cumberland Road gates. Thank you



## Dates for Your Diaries

- **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Reception parents - coffee meet 9:00am** (details to follow next week)
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November - Reception parents –meet the teachers 3:30pm** (details to follow next week)
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November** - Parent teacher meetings

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## Online Safety Resources

### New devices? Be Safe Online

If your child has a new internet connected electronic device, maybe a PS5, X-Box X, Nintendo Switch or a phone or tablet. The best time to set up a new device to control the access that your child has to the internet is **before** they have it. Best advice is to unbox it and set it up so that you know your child will be safer online. We have a host of online safety resources and advice to help on the school website [here](#).

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## Safeguarding

**Designated Safeguarding Leads:** Ms Jenny Stroud-Turp - Headteacher & Ms Karen Verge – Deputy Head

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:** - Ms Demir - Assistant Head) & Ms Dionne Hurst (Senco)

### SPA

If you are concerned about a child's well-being you can make a referral or seek advice from Richmond

**Single Point of Access - 0208 547 5008**

**Out of Hours Duty Social Worker**

**0208 770 5000**

**National Domestic Violence Helpline - 0808 2000 247**

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## Volunteering in school

There are a few ways you can volunteer:

Reading – we have many children across the school that would benefit from daily reading to an adult. (30 minutes after drop off or before pick up)

Times tables practise – activities provided

Lunchtimes – supervising children collecting and eating their lunches (12-1pm)

**We value and appreciate any time that parents/carers can offer to the school.**

**If you are able to volunteer regularly, we would be grateful for any time that you could spare. Please contact Mrs Demir at [info@queens.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:info@queens.richmond.sch.uk)**

**All adults in school and on trips are required to have a current DBS check. Please ask your reps or contact the school office to find out more.**

We will offer an induction session for all parent/carers helpers to ensure you understand the role and expectations.

Please find the induction information [here](#) , where you will be required to read information and complete the **Induction Form**.

When you have completed your Induction form please bring it to the school office.

**All parent helpers will need to complete the induction, even if you have previously done so.** I am sure that you all realise the importance of this safeguarding procedure. If you require any support in completing this induction please contact the school office.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to welcoming you as a parent helper at The Queen's School.

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Learning together and exploring our outdoor area.



## Year 1

This week year 1 have been continuing to show their great knowledge surrounding part part whole model, bar models and creating addition number sentences from these using their number bonds to ten too! We have started to write our own Fir and Cherry class poem with inspiration from Roger McGough's 'The Sound Collector' poem. In Science we have been looking at the human body and senses. We went on a sense hunt around the school, children recorded things they could see, feel, smell hear and taste. Brilliant learning this week year 1.





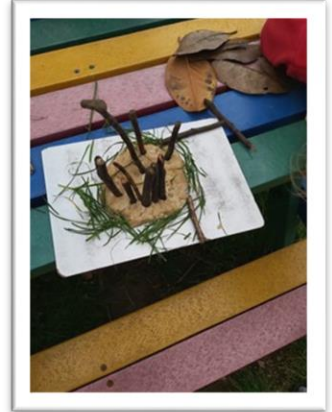
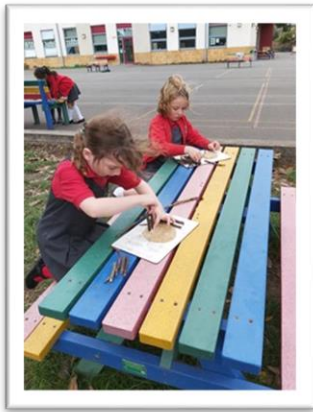
Year 2

In this week's RE lesson we were learning about how Jewish people celebrate the Jewish New Year - Rosh Hashanah. The children enjoyed apples and honey to symbolise the starting of a sweet new year.

In Maths, we have been busy bridging 10 on a number line, for example  
 $12 + 6$

$$10 + 2 + 6 = 18$$





To help us explore the Stone Age we tried to make some dwellings out of sticks and leaves and then took them apart to reveal a 'footprint'. This helped us become archaeologists and recreate what huts might have looked like thousands of years ago.



Reverend Melanie welcomed us to St Luke's Church last week to finish our RE topic of the Liturgy. We found out why the vicars wear different coloured robes and why the church changes colour during the year.

## Year 4

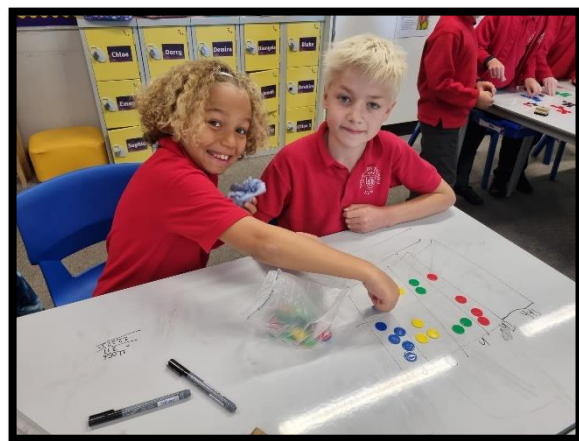
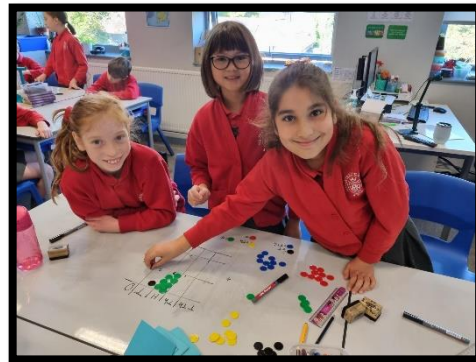
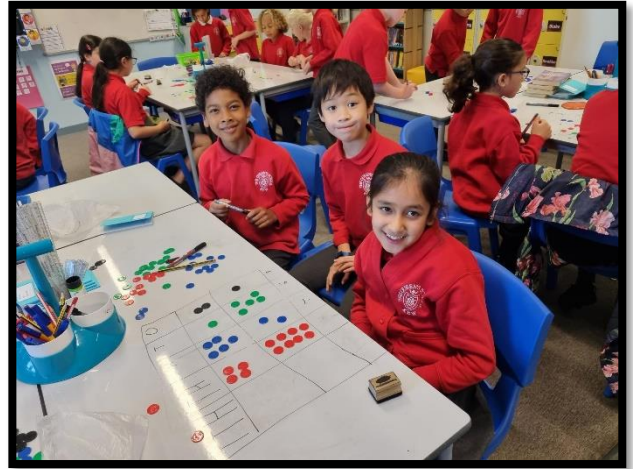
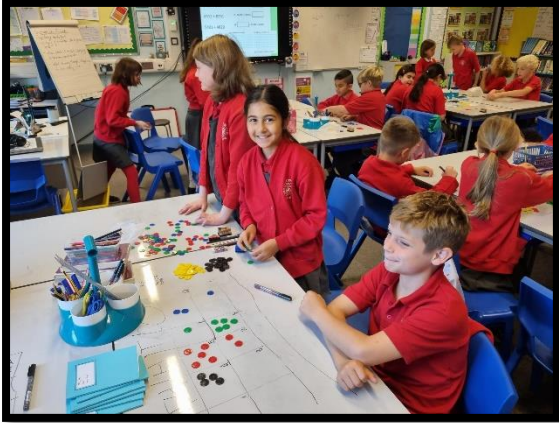
Year 4 enjoyed singing Jesus the light of the world in their RE lesson to remind us of how Jesus shines out in our lives.



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## Year 5

Year 5 have been getting to grips with addition, using place value counters to practise exchanging between columns. Using manipulatives really helps us to see what happens in our calculations and explain our work.



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In Year 6, we have been reading Tennyson's poem, *The Lady of Shalott*, as part of our study of the Victorian era. We have analysed the language of the poem, rewritten parts of it on our own words, drawn maps to show our understanding of the setting and written a diary entry from the perspective of the Lady, expressing her emotions following Lancelot's arrival. Here are some examples of our writing

Thursday 6th October

① To convey emotions in writing

Dear Diary,

You simply won't believe what happened to me today! It was an ordinary day - I awoke, washed, and dressed. But then... I felt something. Something special, important! A sweet sound to my ears! A warmth in my heart! I knew that a great thing was about to occur. Yet is that my imagination? Is it that cursed mirror that deletes my existence? Oh, I really hope he is real...

second option sounds better, the first is too painful now.

Yet the day started as normal, here in my isolated prison. I began to weave the mirror's magic sighs: the crimson-coated market girls, the surly village churls and then, a pair of young lovers lately wed. A pang of envy struck my fragile heart yet I had no choice but to continue weaving - until the moment that everything changed forever...

There was that feeling again - hope. Then a sound

All of a sudden, a bow-shot slash'd into the crystal mirror. My ears twitched, ~~my~~ my eyes glickered, my mind spun. A crimson feather stood atop his helmet, glowing like a flame on the wick of a candle. Beneath the silver helmet, his coal-black curls glow'd behind him. My heart felt hot - as hot as the blaring, afternoon sun.

I am torn: I don't know what to do. Could this be my only

I am torn. I don't know what to do. If I don't grasp this opportunity and tear myself from my afflicted mirror, I will spend the rest of my life wondering what I could have been. It could have all just been an impudent lie - surely the consequences can't be worse than the situation I am in.

Yet is it really worth the risk? The ghastly power of my so-called curse could kill me - or worse...

## Faith Zone



Thank you to our Prayer Ambassadors from Years 2 – 6 who led an informative Assembly, thanking God for the Harvest. Thank you to everyone who donated to our Harvest collection which will be sent to SPEAR Houser in Richmond to support local homeless people. It is not too late to contribute via Parentmail.



## Sport & Extra Curricular activities

Queen's has entered all the borough leagues in Netball, Tag Rugby and Football and matches will start over the next few months.

The school will also be taking advantage of the 'blue' events now on offer in Richmond Borough, allowing children of varying abilities to attend, and thus raising inclusion.

## Are we ready for ROCK STEADY?

Our new club was launched this week giving the children in Years 2 – 6 the chance to form a Rock Band playing instruments like keyboards, electric guitar, drums and bass guitar.



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# Gifted and Talented Maths Competition

**STOP PRESS!**

## Maths Challenge Champions!



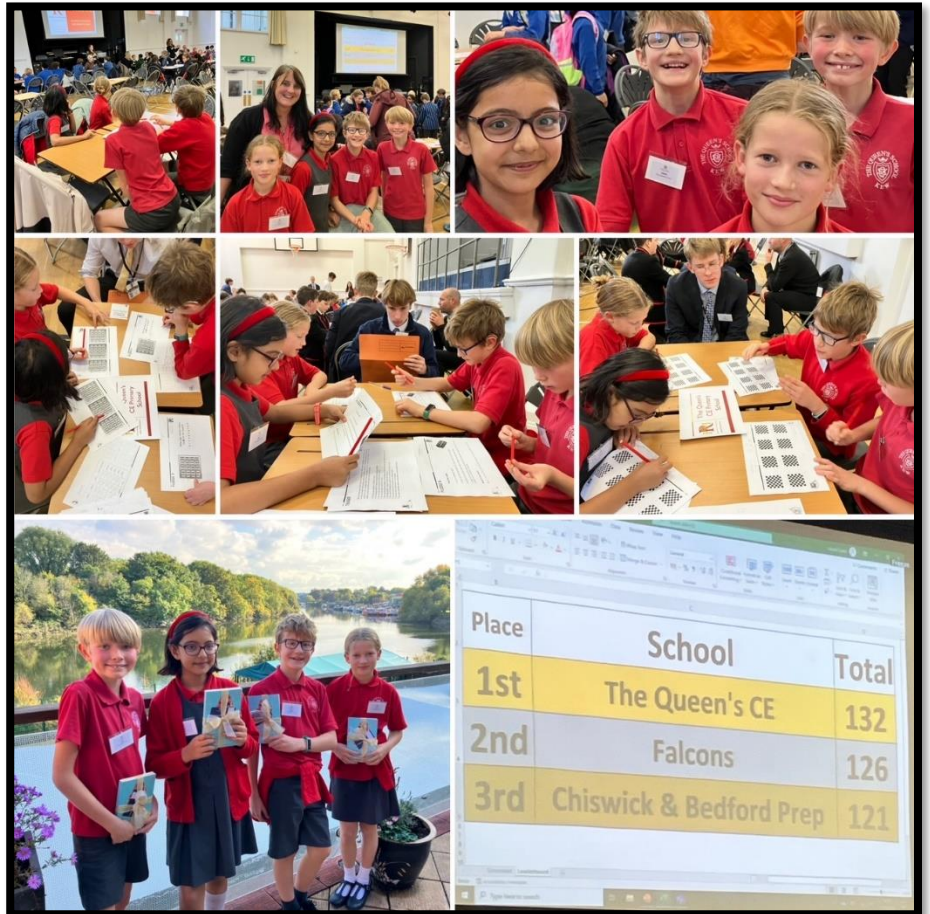
Yesterday saw four Year 6 mathematicians - Aashi, Daniel, Eddie, Helene - take part in the sixth annual Mathematics Gifted & Talented Afternoon at Radnor House School together with 15 other local schools.

Having been on a two year hiatus, it was wonderful to be able to take part in this challenging mathematical afternoon of puzzles, patterns and all things maths once again. Children had to apply logic and skill to six rounds of very challenging questions that any adult would struggle with! Points were won per round with additional points being awarded for teamwork.

The four Queen's children worked wonderfully as a team showing great resilience and determination as well as incredible mathematical understanding.

After two hours of a variety of very hard challenges, Queen's were announced the overall winners with an astonishing 132 points!

This is an outstanding achievement. Well done Aashi, Daniel, Eddie and Helene - we are incredibly proud of you!



### 👉 **Calling all Christmas wreath-makers !** 📢

Queen's Christmas Wreath-Making... 'is coming to town' 🎵 🎵 🎵 🎵 🎵

After half term, there are only 5 weeks until the 2022 Queen's Christmas Fair 🍷 . Yes, you just read that right ☐.... And as we approach the most wonderful time of the year, we need a group of volunteers to lead this year's Queens Christmas wreath-making team. ★ ★

Our Queen's handmade wreaths are gorgeous and hugely popular; every year generating in excess of £1500, all of which goes directly to the school, benefiting all of our children.

If you feel you can help, please let the PSA committee or your class rep know.

If wreath-making isn't your thing but you'd still like to contribute, perhaps you could help with foraging for materials. Gather conkers, acorns and pine cones that our wreath-makers can use. This is also a great way to get the children involved, and something to keep them occupied and active over the half term break...

### **PSA shout out** 🙌

The PSA would like to extend huge thanks to all the reps & volunteers for their time this term.

Also, thank you to everyone that has contributed in other ways - supporting the weekly bake sales and buying uniforms from our preloved stock.

There are many upcoming opportunities to help us raise much needed funds next half term too. Here are a few ideas on how you can get involved...

**Sign up for the Christmas Fair** Saturday 3rd December... see PTA events for volunteering opportunities leading up to & on the day itself.

**Dial in to the PSA General Meeting** 8th November. An opportunity to understand and vote on how PSA proceeds are allocated.

### **No Brainer! 11/10 for the Staff Team.**

Thank you to the PSA and of course Mr Adams for a fantastic Quiz Night



**Become a class rep or PSA committee member** We're recruiting new committees members for next academic year. Please let us know if interested.

**Donate directly to the PSA fund** If you don't have time to volunteer, a cash donation is another way to contribute. Please do so via following link. Any amount you can manage makes a huge difference. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/queensprimary/?u=3QI6IN/>

**Matched Giving.** Many companies have a scheme that boosts employees fundraising efforts. If your employer offers this, please select our school to benefit! Get in touch with the PSA team so we can help with the paperwork. It's easier than you think!!!

**Sign up for Smile Amazon & select Queens PSA to be your designated charity.** Every time you shop, money is donated by Amazon to the PSA fund. So simple, and free money for the school!

Buy tickets now for the Christ's School Fireworks Show on November 4th.  
Select Queen's School at checkout and the Queen's PSA will receive a 5% donation on your ticket purchase.  
Tickets sell out fast so book early! Under 5's go for free.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/christsschoolpsarichmond/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=52386>

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**CHRIST'S SCHOOL  
FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

# **FIREWORK**

## **FESTIVAL 2022**

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CHILD	£7	CHILD	£9
FAMILY	£25	FAMILY	£35

**gates 6.00 – 9.00pm FIREWORKS launch 8pm**

LAST YEAR'S EVENT WAS A SELL OUT- BOOK EARLY! NO TICKET SALES ON THE GATE (UNLESS UNDERSOLD). TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

## Raise Money for The Queen's School Whilst Shopping Online

Thank you to those of you who signed up to *Easyfundraising* and used *AmazonSmile* for your Christmas shopping. Just a reminder that these function throughout the year so please continue to use them.

The PSA & School Governing Body

### **AMAZON SMILE**

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the chosen charity.

On your first visit to the site, you will be asked to log in to your Amazon account with existing username and password (you do not need a separate account for AmazonSmile). You will then be prompted to choose a charity to support. During future visits to the site, AmazonSmile will remember your charity and apply eligible purchases towards your total contribution—it is that easy!

The link below will set you up immediately with Queen's as your chosen beneficiary.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/283103-0>

### **EASYFUNDRAISING**

This site works in a similar way to AmazonSmile but for many more online retailers such as John Lewis (2% transaction value), M&S (1.5%), Argos, Sainsbury's, eBay, booking.com and many more. So long as you enter those sites via *Easyfundraising* the PSA will get a % of your transaction value.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/queensprimary/>

Follow the link above.

Click on 'Support this cause.'

Then you need to set up an account, and shop via the home page from then on. [back to top](#)

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<b>PLATINUM</b> - 50% for SkillZone Platinum members	• Suitable clothing for the weather (including waterproof)
<b>SURREYHILLS</b> - 20% for Surrey Hills pupils	• Packed lunch (extra snack for extended day & no nuts)
<b>WESTFIELD</b> - 20% for Westfield Primary pupils	• Plenty of non-fizzy drink
<b>WOKING</b> - 15% for Woking Town & Woking Cougars players	• Sunscreen (dependent on weather)
<small>15% sibling discount will be applied automatically when you make a multiple attendee booking. Not applicable to Walton-on-Thames venue.</small>	• Trainers and indoor shoes
	<small>All medication to be clearly named and handed to the head coach on arrival.</small>



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**DATES** **OCTOBER HALF-TERM** **DATES**

MONDAY 24TH - FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER, 2022 (Dorking, Kew & Woking)

TUESDAY 25TH - FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER, 2022 (Walton-on-Thames SkillZone)







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Bookings open for our

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gymnastics holiday camps this October half term!



**LEARN MORE:**  
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[rga@richmondgymnastics.co.uk](mailto:rga@richmondgymnastics.co.uk) ~ 020 8878 8682

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Open to both non members and members.  
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- **Chamber Music Session:** Strings Chamber & Piano Four Hands
- **Young Prodigy Listeners** (3-6 years old)
- **Instrumental Lessons for Piano, Violin, Viola and Cello.**

### Date and Time

- 9.00 am - 1.00 pm, every Sunday from 30th October, 2022

### Fees for 8 Weeks/Sessions

- **Musician'ship Class:** £175 for 60 mins
- **Chamber Music Session:** Strings - £210 for 45 mins  
Four Hands - £210 for 30 mins
- **Young Prodigy Listeners:** £65 for 30 mins of 8 sessions
- **Instrumental Lessons:** £30 for 30 mins per session  
£45 for 45 mins per session  
£60 for 60 mins per session

Email: [simaclassics.school@gmail.com](mailto:simaclassics.school@gmail.com)  
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## THE VOICE KIDS 2023 APPLY NOW!

The Voice Kids is back and we're looking for super talented **SOLO SINGERS & DUOS** who have what it takes to take over The Voice Kids stage!

If you know any 7-14 year olds who want their voices to be heard, we want to hear from you!

For more information about how to enter go to [itv.com/beontv/thevoicekids](http://itv.com/beontv/thevoicekids) or [stv.tv/voicekids](http://stv.tv/voicekids)

Applications close on  
**Friday 11th November 2022**

We reserve the right to extend the closing date at our discretion

Other eligibility criteria and terms and conditions also apply (see entry form for full details).  
Personal data provided by you will be collected and processed in accordance with the privacy notices set out in the entry form.

