

# WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## Headteacher's message

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half-term break and found some time to relax and recharge. It has been wonderful to see the children return to school full of energy, smiles, and curiosity.

This half term is always a special one — filled with learning, creativity, and excitement as we move towards the end of the calendar year. Over the coming weeks, we'll continue to deepen our learning across the curriculum while also preparing for the seasonal events and performances that bring our school community together.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the importance of strong attendance and punctuality.

Every lesson counts, and arriving on time helps children make the most of their learning while building positive habits for the future. Consistent attendance supports both progress and wellbeing, and your continued partnership in this is greatly appreciated.

Please do keep an eye on the school calendar and weekly bulletin for key dates — it promises to be a busy and joyful half term ahead!

Warm regards,  
Ms Alessia Sbicca  
Headteacher

## Parents Meeting

**Thank you to all the parents who have booked and attended their meetings with the teachers.**

It was wonderful to connect and share updates about the children's progress.

If you were unable to attend your meeting, please contact your class teacher directly via the class email to arrange a convenient time for a Zoom meeting.

At SIAL, we truly value working in partnership with our parents. Meeting with you and maintaining open communication is an essential part of supporting every child's learning journey and wellbeing.



## Dates for your diary

**School Play : Costume Drop-Off  
Reminder**

Between Monday, 17th and  
Friday, 28th November

## This week in Assembly

### **EYFS Assembly Focus- Kindness**

We're very pleased to share that, after a successful settling-in period, our Nursery children are now joining the Reception class for their weekly assemblies. This is a joyful step that helps our youngest pupils feel part of the wider school community and gives them wonderful opportunities to share stories, songs, and learning moments together.

This week in our EYFS assembly, we focused on one of our core values – Kindness. The children enjoyed listening to a story that reminded us how even small acts of kindness can make a big difference to others.

After the story, we talked about the many ways we can show kindness, both around school and at home. The children shared some lovely ideas – from helping friends and teachers to showing care and respect for family members. It was a wonderful reminder that kindness is something we can all give, every day!

### **Primary Assembly Focus – Safeguarding Awareness**

This week our Primary Assembly focused on safeguarding awareness for children. At SIAL, we strongly believe in giving children advocacy – empowering them to use their voices, express their feelings, and know that what they say matters.

The aim of the assembly was to help pupils understand that there are always safe and trusted adults, both at home and around the school, whom they can talk to if they ever feel worried or unsure about something. Through discussion and reflection, we encouraged children to recognise the importance of speaking up and seeking help when needed.

We also introduced the “Let’s Speak” box – a special box where children can share any concerns or worries anonymously if they prefer. This provides another safe avenue for pupils to communicate about anything that might be troubling them. The ideas and themes that emerge from the “Let’s Speak” box will be thoughtfully incorporated into future assemblies and wellbeing sessions, allowing us to continue nurturing a school culture that values openness, kindness, and emotional wellbeing.

## Important information

### Sessions for parents and carers

When / Where	Session	Target
14/11/25 at 8:35	Safeguarding Delivered in ITALIAN	Open to all families who would like to learn more about how we keep children safe and how safeguarding works within the UK education system.
21/11/25 at 8:35	Safeguarding Delivered in ENGLISH	Open to all families who would like to learn more about how we keep children safe and how safeguarding works within the UK education system.

Please note that we are also planning the following upcoming sessions:

- **How to read your child's report** for all new parents

Details on when these sessions will be held will be shared soon.

### **Surgery Time with Ms Alessia**

Ms Alessia is happy to invite you to a surgery time every Tuesday after drop-off, from 8:35 to 9:00.

If you would like to book a slot, please write to [secretary@sial.school](mailto:secretary@sial.school) with a short note about the topics you would like to discuss.

We greatly value working together with families, and this will be the perfect occasion to do so.

### **End of Term Reminder**

The last day of the Autumn term will be Friday, 12th December 2025.

Please note that it will be a half day, and children will finish at 12:00 noon.

There will be no Extended Hours (EH) provision on that day.

### **School Play : Costume Drop-Off Reminder**

Your class rep has received an email from our Music and Drama teacher with full details of the costumes.

Please bring play costumes to school between Monday, 17th and Friday, 28th November in a clearly labelled bag (child's name, surname, and year).

Hand them to the class teacher for safekeeping.

A full dress rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, 3rd December.

Thank you for your cooperation!

### **School Play**

Our school play will be performed on:

5/12/25 at 10:00

9/12/25 at 10:00

A booking link will be shared closer to the date.

### **Christmas Jumper Day – Friday, 12th December**

We're excited to celebrate Christmas Jumper Day on Friday, 12th December!

Children are invited to come to school wearing their favourite festive jumper to help us spread some holiday cheer. It's a wonderful way to get into the Holiday spirit together!

### **Parole a due voci -per le famiglie di Year 6**

Maestra Serena invita genitori o tutori degli alunni di Year 6 a partecipare a "Parole a due voci", un momento dedicato alla scrittura condivisa tra bambini e adulti, per coltivare fantasia, ascolto e creatività insieme.

Gli incontri si svolgeranno a cadenza quindicinale, il giovedì dalle 15:10 alle 15:50, nelle seguenti date:

13/11 – 27/11 – 11/12

Si chiede di confermare la partecipazione via mail.

*"Le parole sono semini. A volte diventano alberi."* Gianni Rodari

## Events for the Italian Community



### Italy Run London – Sunday 23 November 2025

We are delighted to share that the Italy Run London will take place on 23 November 2025 in Holland Park. This special event, organised by the Italian Chamber of Commerce and the Italian Consulate in London, is much more than a race – it's a celebration of sport, community and Italian culture. Families, runners of all abilities, and members of the Anglo-Italian community are warmly invited to join. The day will feature activities for all ages, opportunities to connect with others, and a vibrant atmosphere inspired by Italy. It's a wonderful chance to enjoy time outdoors, promote wellbeing and celebrate the strong ties between Italy and the UK.

### Italian Christmas Market 2025

We're delighted to share that the Italian Christmas Market 2025 – Il Circolo's annual fundraising event – is returning this year!

It will be a wonderful festive day at Chelsea Town Hall, celebrating the best of Italian craftsmanship, food, and Christmas traditions.

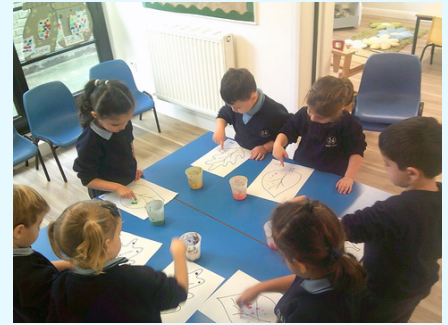
Everyone is welcome – it's a lovely way to get into the festive spirit and support the community!



## Early Years

### Nursery

Rientrati dalle vacanze i bambini hanno osservato i colori caldi e vivaci che caratterizzano l'autunno: il rosso, l'arancione, il giallo, il marrone, e il verde. Ispirati da queste sfumature, hanno utilizzato le dita come pennelli per dipingere una foglia, sperimentando il piacere del contatto diretto con il colore e sviluppando la loro creatività. Ogni foglia, unica e diversa, è poi stata utilizzata per decorare l'albero della classe, che si è così trasformato in un meraviglioso albero autunnale!



### Reception

This week, the children explored the theme of homes, engaging in rich conversations about where they live and the different rooms and features within a house. They confidently used key vocabulary such as kitchen, bedroom, living room as well as terms for furniture and household items, showing growing understanding and language development. They also listened to the story of The Three Little Pigs. They showed excellent recall and enthusiasm as they discussed the different houses in the story. Using a variety of materials, the children were encouraged to recreate the pigs' homes, demonstrating creativity, problem-solving, and early design skills.



## KS1

### Y1

Questa settimana in arte i bambini hanno esplorato i colori primari (rosso, blu, giallo) e imparato a creare i colori secondari (arancione, verde, viola) mescolando le tempere.

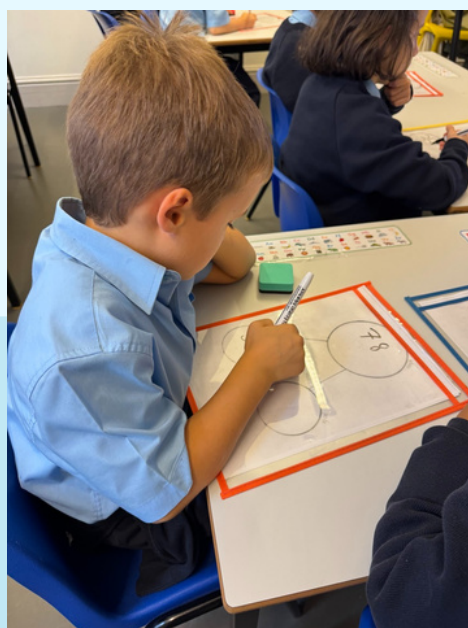
Abbiamo realizzato una ruota dei colori con spicchi da colorare, sperimentando sfumature e mescolanze. L'attività ha stimolato creatività, osservazione e comprensione dei colori.



### Y2

Questa settimana in matematica i bambini hanno lavorato sulle addizioni e sottrazioni a due cifre.

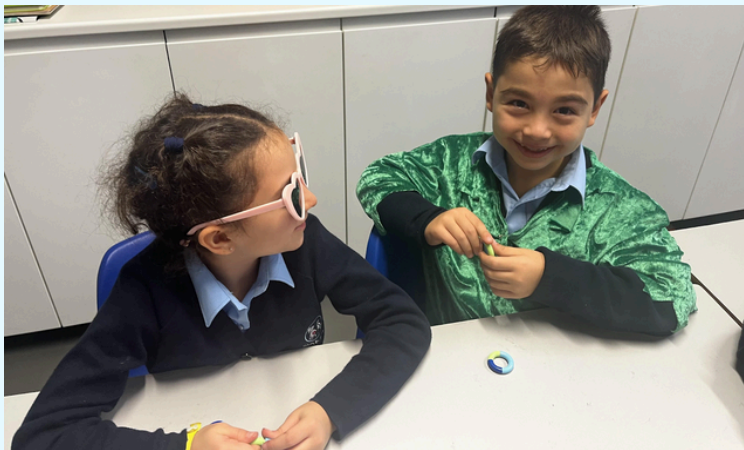
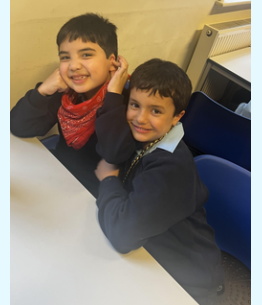
Abbiamo utilizzato i modelli a cerchi per aiutare a comprendere meglio i concetti di parte e intero, favorendo la rappresentazione visiva dei numeri e delle quantità. Questa attività ha supportato la comprensione del calcolo e il ragionamento logico.



## KS2

### Y3

This week, Year 3 began their new English unit on informal letter writing. To introduce the topic, we explored the use of questions and imperative verbs as key features of effective communication. To bring their learning to life, the children engaged in a 'hot seat' activity where they created characters and interviewed each other. During the session, they took turns asking and answering questions in character, helping them to develop their understanding of imperative verbs.



### Y4

This week, Year 4 began their new Science unit on States of Matter. The children explored the properties of solids, liquids, and gases using non-fiction texts, deepening their understanding of how materials can exist and behave in different forms. We then applied our learning in a practical classroom investigation, identifying examples of solids, liquids, and gases in their immediate environment. This activity encouraged careful observation, discussion, and the use of scientific vocabulary.

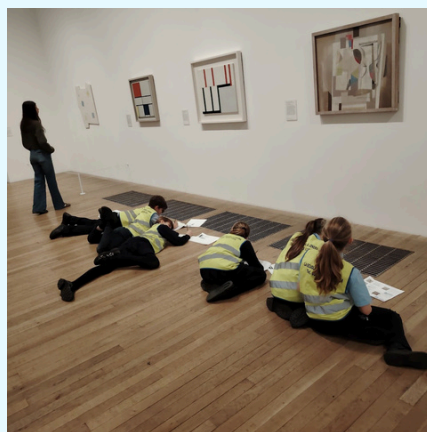


## Y5

Le uscite didattiche sono un'estensione dell'apprendimento in classe: un modo per toccare con mano ciò che studiamo, scoprendo il mondo intorno a noi e rendendo l'apprendimento più reale e coinvolgente.

La classe di Year 5 ha visitato la Tate Modern, dove ha scoperto come la geometria non sia un mondo a sé, ma possa incontrarsi con l'arte, dando vita a creazioni straordinarie. A scuola, le bambine e i bambini hanno poi rielaborato le loro impressioni, realizzando opere originali ispirate alle forme e ai colori osservati al museo.

Al British Museum, invece, Year 5 ha ammirato da vicino i resti del Partenone, immaginando l'atmosfera delle Panatenee, le grandi feste che animavano l'Acropoli di Atene. Osservando i vasi e i reperti antichi, la classe ha esplorato storie e temi diversi, scoprendo quanto la cultura greca continui ancora oggi a ispirarci.



### **This Week's Makaton Sign**

This week, the children are learning how to sign *Sorry / Scusa*

