



The St Michael Steiner School  
*newsletter*

*March 2022*

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# SPRING TERM 2022



## March

24th (Thursday) Class 11 parents' evening

31st (Thursday) Class 8's project presentations, 7pm

## April

7th (Thursday) - Class 12 play: *Vinegar Tom*, Cockpit Theatre

8th (Friday) - *Last day of term*

- Easter festival at Rudolf Steiner House, classes 5 - 12

- Class 12 play: *Vinegar Tom*, Cockpit Theatre, evening

Term dates are available on the school's [website](#)

## Attendance rates

Dear parents,

We hope you are well.

We would like to bring to your attention that there has been an increased number of absences unrelated to illness across the school.

Being a London school, with many families coming from different parts of the world, we understand that there are occasions when it is important to visit family members in other countries. We believe there is sufficient holiday time during the school year to accommodate that.

Learning is a process that occurs through time and is supported by the consistency of a daily rhythm within the social environment of the classroom.

There have been occasions in the last couple of months when half the children of a Class were absent. We hope you can understand how disruptive this can be and we kindly ask for your consideration in this matter.

We would also like to remind you that we cannot authorise such absences and that low attendance records reflect badly on the school.

Kind Regards  
*The Teachers*

## *Farewell, Alex*

Dear All,

It is with mixed feelings that I write to let you know that this will be my last year at St Michael's.

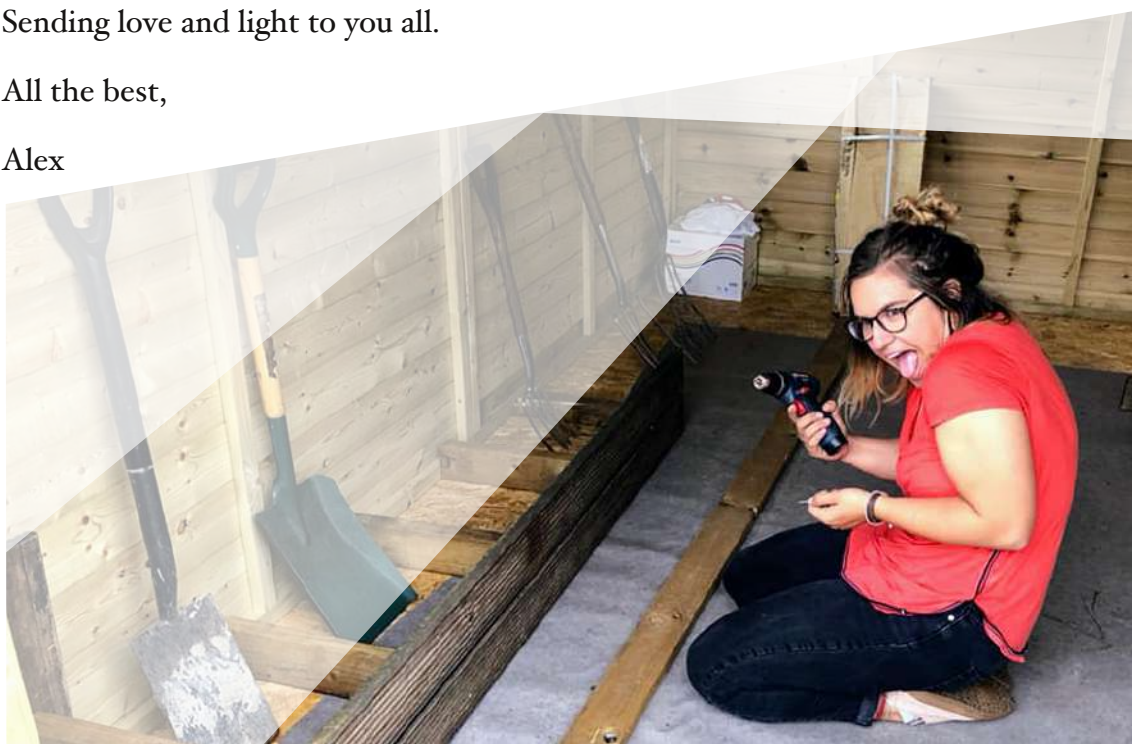
I'm excited to be beginning my part time Masters program at the Centre for Alternative Technology in Machynlleth and to start putting down some new roots in Bristol. I will continue to weave and craft and spend time in the company of people that inspire me but I will be sad to leave this beautiful community behind.

Thank you for all the love and support over these memorable 3 years. I am so grateful to have been able to add my star to the constellation during my time here.

Sending love and light to you all.

All the best,

Alex



Dear parents,

The following link has information on how to book an appointment for a COVID 19 vaccination:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

Below you can find walk-in vaccination sites near the school.

<https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-walk-in-coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-site/results?Query=TW13%206PN&UserLatitude=51.433786755344038&UserLongitude=-0.39381240005546558>

Thank you

THE ST MICHAEL STEINER SCHOOL  
PRESENTS

CARYL CHURCHILL'S

# VINEGAR

# TOM



7th April 2022

2:00pm & 7:30pm

8th April 2022

7:30pm

MUSIC BY  
HELEN GLAVIN

**PLEASE NOTE:**

This production is not suitable for children.  
Anyone below the age of 13 will not be admitted.

**THE COCKPIT** BOOK ONLINE AT [THECOCKPIT.ORG.UK](http://THECOCKPIT.ORG.UK)  
OR ON **020 7258 2925** 10.30AM-6PM, MON TO FRI. 12NOON-6PM, SAT  
**GATEFORTH STREET**  
**MARYLEBONE, LONDON NW8 8EH**

## *Modern Sculpture* in Class 12

sculptures by class  
12 and drawings by  
class 10 and 11



In their recent block on 'Modern Sculpture' the students of class 12 each chose one modern sculptor, ranging from Auguste Rodin to Louise Bourgeois. They studied the biography and copied one work of their chosen sculptor. Alongside this work, they transformed a clay sphere into an abstract sculpture, following a common process of metamorphosis. Finally they created a 'free' sculptural piece, combining these experiences and finding their own expression.

*Kilian Voss*

*Alberto Giacometti* by Emil Barnard



Emil Barnard



*Naum Gabo*  
by Takumi Voss



*Louise Bourgeois* by Bianca Morrison

*Henri Matisse*  
by Elizabeth Mariott



*Rodin's hands* by Molly Meaker





*Barbara Hepworth* by Rose Dowsing



Transformed Spheres



## A Netball win for St Michaels: *What a match!*



### St Michaels v St Pauls 34 - 12

A big thank you to Mrs Russell and St Pauls' class 8 for inviting us over to play a match, it was a thrilling and rather nerve-wracking experience.

The scoreline does not reflect the intense 60 minute battle on court. Possession of the ball was 50/50 but St Michaels' shooters and defenders were truly "in the zone" last Friday.

Even though the atmosphere on court was focussed and tense, off the court there were giggles and chocolate biscuits being shared between the two schools.

Well done and thank you to Roy, Arielle, Chase, Nala, Ailbe, Quinton, Zeus, Elizabeth and Lila.

*Lisa Harrison*

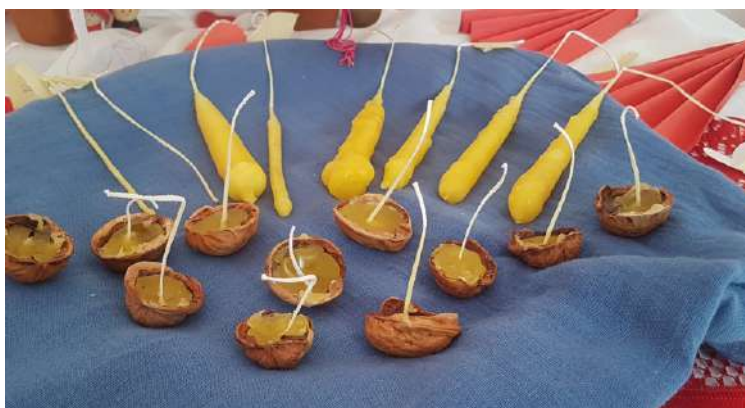


## In Kindergarten...

We had a lot happening in this first half of the Spring term! We started with the celebration of the Three Kings and the story of Baboushka.



The children met King Winter and Jack Frost both in nature and through songs and rhymes. They have started to see the early work of Lady Spring as our bulbs are now showing their leaves and the snowdrops are bobbing their white heads in our garden. The children practised their cutting skills by making lots of paper snowflakes. For Candlemas (2nd February), children made their own beeswax candles over a number of candle dipping sessions, seeing how their candles grew with each dip, and singing Candlemas and early Spring songs.



We also had the Chinese New Year celebration, making red paper lanterns and red fans. Our kindergarten rooms were decorated with colourful Chinese lanterns, we ate rice with chopsticks and enjoyed a delicious traditional sweet Asian delicacy.



We are preparing our vegetable beds, have sowed seeds in pots and are chitting potatoes. We look forward to seeing any seedlings when we come back from the half term break and possibly the many “eyes” of the seed potatoes.



We would like to say a grateful thank you to all the parents that help to assemble our new monkey bars and the new platform!

*Silvia Lauzzana and Maria da Costa*

## "Saints and Fables" in Class Two



Children's work based on two fables: *The Six Blind Men and the Elephant* and *The Two Cockerels and the Falcon*.



Class 2 came up with a colourful poem during their Fables and Saints block:

***The Voyage of Brendan***

*Black was the crow on Brendan's shoulder.*

*Green was the sea.*

*White were the cliffs so high.*

*Black the island that wasnt an island, and  
red its angry eyes.*

*Red the fire of Easter*

*Gold was the Mermaids hair,  
and green were the hills of home.*



## *¡Buen Apetito!*



Classes 6 and 7 have been exploring the traditional cuisine of Spain and Columbia during their Spanish lessons with Sra. Barbosa.



*"In Class 6 we cooked some typical food like Paella and Tortilla Española as well as had some Tapas: Queso Manchego, Olivas, Jamon serrano, chorizo, pan, tomates."*



*"In Class 7: some typical Colombian food. (Arepas con pollo mechado, Arepas con queso, Plátano y maduro frito)."*



# Eurythmy



Two pictures from Pearl and Anton's recent eurythmy project. You'll be able to see them on stage in higher resolution at the Easter end-of-term festival at Rudolf Steiner House.



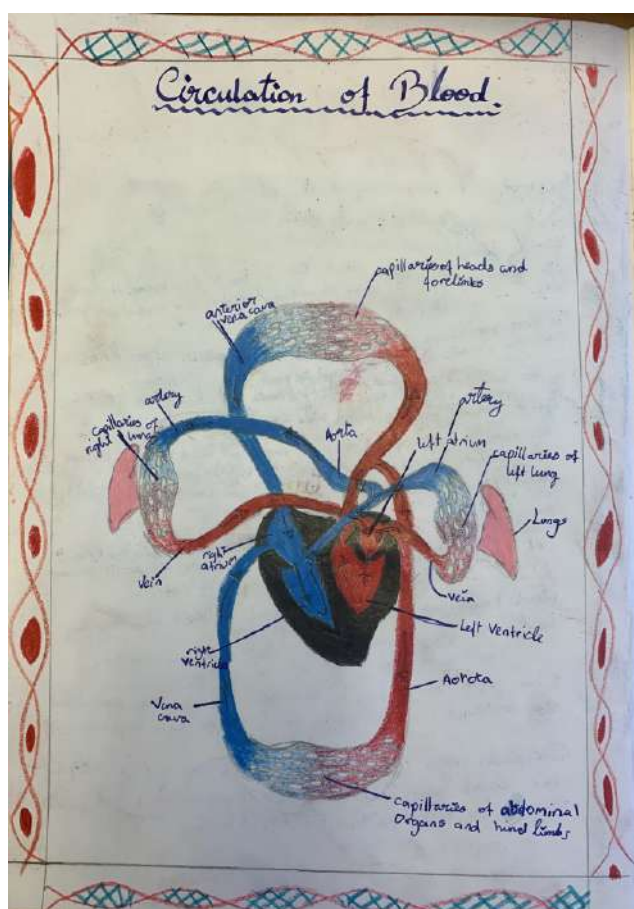
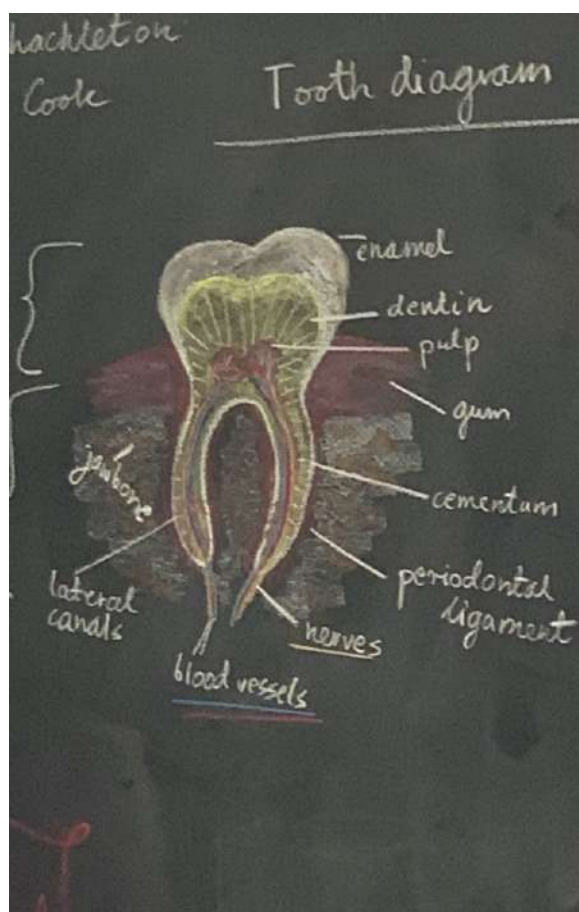
Class 8 at the Youth Eurythmy Festival, 18th March, shortly before performing a piece they choreographed to Mozart's 'Rondo Alla Turca'. Four schools and two eurythmy training schools showed work at the festival, thanks to Ms. Hunter and her colleagues' hard work.



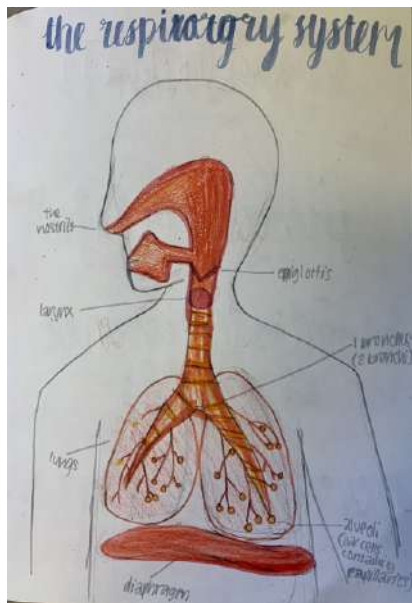
# Physiology

This month Class 7 have been learning all about the human body and the physiological processes that we can observe at work in each one of us. The children very much enjoyed the block and found it fascinating to learn more about themselves and how people can take better care of their bodies, e.g. through nutrition and hygiene. During this Main lesson block we looked at the skin, our digestive system, circulation of the blood, the sense organs and reproductive system. The children really enjoyed sculpting various organs out of clay (including the liver, kidney and ears!), sketching and writing poetry. Please find examples of their creations below.

*Marta Pietrzyk*







# Class 12 Geography



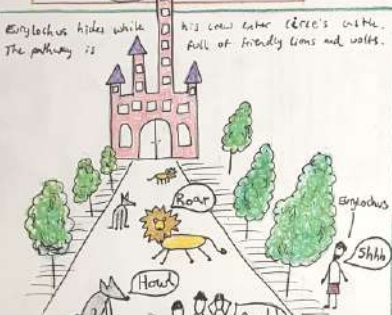
Class 12 did a geography intensive where we looked at how to measure and compare different river flow rates with different profiles. They learnt not only how to collect this data but how to then convert it into isovels.

*Alex Harrison*



# The Odyssey

Scenes from Homer's epic by Class 10.



They have all been turned into...

# Community, notices and adverts

*Please note that the school does not endorse or recommend, either in general or in particular, anything offered in the community pages and readers are advised to check the qualifications of practitioners or people offering services here.*

## Looking for a baby-sitter?



My name is Rose. I'm a 17 year old student currently attending The St Michael Steiner School and I have been in Steiner education since kindergarden. I love children, and I am dependable and responsible when it comes to work. I am currently looking for babysitting jobs for Friday evenings and the weekend. Rates are negotiable, I am happy to look after children of any age, and can travel within reach of the Richmond area.

Contacts - you can text me at

+44 07432 582 320

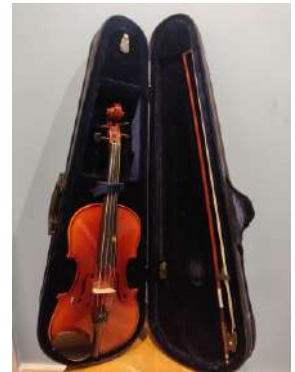
or send me an email at

rose.dowse@outlook.com

3/4 sized well-loved Viola.  
Very good condition. Complete with carry case and bow. Shoulder rest not included.

£25.00

Contact Lisa - lisaharri@gmail.com



Dear Sir or Madam,

The wish to spend some weeks in a British family in order to broaden my language skills and to learn more about Britain and its people prompts me to write to you.

My name is Hanna von Bernstorff. I am 16 years old and live in a small university town in the South of Germany called Tübingen, where I go to the local Waldorf School. My father teaches at the university and my mother works in a Waldorf Kindergarden nearby.

I am in the 11th form and have two more years until my finals.

I like school and my favorite subjects are art, history and languages.

In my spare time I lead a troupe of girl guides and play folkmusik from all over the world on the violin.

My older sister, Merle is nineteen years old and goes to the same school as I do. So does our brother Anton, who is 12 years old. After having spent the last two years rather at home due to corona I am keen to find out what is going on in the world outside Tübingen.

It would be best if I could spend three months at your school this year but a stay of six weeks would be better than nothing. My family will be happy to host a student from Britain in exchange, I do hope you will be able to help me in my search for a family to host my stay.

Yours sincerely

Hanna v. Bernstorff

As a contact number please use Juli von Bismarck  
on 07841287249 or julibismarck@hotmail.com

Hi, I'm Mattia, an Italian Waldorf student, I'm 17 years old.



I'm interested in coming to your school in May and June for a visit in 11th class and to make an apprenticeship.

I search a family who can host me in this period.

I come from Tuscany, where I live with my family. But during the school-time I live in a friend's family in Conegliano (near Venezia), where I go to school (Waldorf School Novalis).

I'm bilingual french-italian, because my father is french, and my mother italian. I believe I'm responsible, creative, sociable and hardworking...

If you are interested to host me, please contact me or my mother to discuss about bureaucratic aspects, the cost of the stay, the exact dates of the stay...:

- [mattia.paulo.duchayne@lacrown.com](mailto:mattia.paulo.duchayne@lacrown.com)
- [Federica.chiarulli@libero.it](mailto:Federica.chiarulli@libero.it)



THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN  
STEINER KINDERGARTEN

# EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

11-13TH APRIL 2022  
9.30-3.30PM

AT THE WOODVILLE CENTRE,  
WOODVILLE ROAD, HAM, TW10 7QW

THE HOLIDAY CLUB IS OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN AGED 3-7YEARS  
BUT PLACES ARE LIMITED.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE EMAIL  
[BIRGIT.CHILDRENSGARDEN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BIRGIT.CHILDRENSGARDEN@GMAIL.COM)

## Aid for Ukraine

Dear St Michael's Community,

As you know, the school has a close relationship with All Saints' Church across the park. We use their hall during the week for eurythmy lessons and we've held school festivals there as well. The priest, Sergei, is from Ukraine and he's currently gathering things to send over there to help.

Here is a list of things they are currently gathering should you wish to donate:

### MEDICINES

Painkillers (Ibuprofen, Paracetamol)  
Calpol  
Piriton (antihistamines)  
Nurofen  
Sudocrem  
Vitamins  
Bandages, plasters, gauzes  
antiseptic cream  
TCP  
Anbesol

### HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Nappies  
Teething powder or gel  
cotton pads/ wool/ buds  
baby bottles  
baby dummies  
wet baby wipes  
washing powder/ pods  
Sanitary products  
toothbrushes/ paste  
bars of soap

### FOOD

baby food  
snacks  
baby milk powder or ready milk  
formula (also hypoallergenic) 0-3 years  
baby porridge  
dried or tinned food for adults (pot noodles, soup etc)

### OTHER ITEMS

Sleeping bags or blankets  
air beds or camping mats  
socks

You can contact the church via Facebook or through email. They'll also accept financial donations.

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintshanworth/>  
[allsaintshanworth@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:allsaintshanworth@hotmail.co.uk)

## Therapist Vacancy

Dear all,

I work at the Royal Marsden Hospital in the staff support department and we have availability and need at the moment for anyone who is a qualified (to Masters level) and accredited counsellor, psychotherapist or psychologist, preferably with experience of working with CBT. This work could be based in Chelsea or Sutton dependent on the therapists preference and would be based on the NHS bank - in other words an hourly paid rate on a sessional basis at band 7 level. It could and may also involve some remote working from home by phone or Teams.

If there is someone who meets the requirements and would like to take up the opportunity or discuss it further, they could contact me on 07821548887 or email me.

Warm wishes,  
Eilidh Colclough (Amaya, class 1)

**Also for parents!**

# MOVEMENT WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS

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March 12th-13th Lower and Middle School Games  
April 9th-10th A Journey through the High School  
May 14th-15th The Ancient Greek Olympics

Saturday 9am - Sunday 4pm. Michael Hall, Forest Row, Sussex.

Discount available for all 3 weekends, and for multiple teachers coming from the same school.

Find Out More [www.bothmermovement.online](http://www.bothmermovement.online)

[susan@bothmermovement.co.uk](mailto:susan@bothmermovement.co.uk)





# Children's Summer Camp

*An initiative of The Christian Community in Stroud, Glos.*

*For children from 8 to 14 yrs of age of all backgrounds*

**23<sup>rd</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2022**

**Colin Godman's Farm, Furners Green** *nr Forest Row, Sussex*

Games, Singing, Art and Craft projects, Organic Farm food, Treasure Hunt, Hiking,  
Improvisation, Swimming...

**WWW.CC-CAMPS.ORG**

**cc.camps.stroud@gmail.com**

Creating experiences for children where they can most wholly and truly be themselves. Every child is precious and has something important to bring to the world, regardless of their apparent challenges. The Helper team comprises mostly experienced Waldorf Upper School & College Students and Parents under the leadership of Phileighda Finch, Dominic Corbett, Iona Charter and Aaron Mirkin. Aaron has 20 years of experience running such camps in South Africa and England. The children grow in social awareness and confidence through shared initiatives and activities together with 80 other children. They gain new skills, and experience the challenge and joy of taking a creative project through from beginning to end.

**Iona Charter 07554 728135**

**Phileighda Finch 07432 465956**

**Dominic Corbett 07523 862811**

**Aaron Mirkin 01453 299311**



## LIFE CHANGING COURSES FOR EVERYONE



See <https://www.tessabellalovemore.com/the-how-to-love-course>

“...What an amazing course! With such powerful and essential learning and healing for those of us (most of us) who have been injured during the journey of life. I wish I'd found this knowledge sooner.”

### HOW TO LOVE - RELATING WITH ACTIVE PRACTICAL LOVE FOR BETTER RELATIONSHIPS

Fridays, starting **4th of February** at 7.30pm with Tessabella

A total of 24 sessions (12 taught and 12 group sessions) on Zoom, meeting weekly. Group sessions - Participants in all the courses will also meet on Zoom in groups of 3 or 4 to share experiences. Catch up sessions are given by individuals attending for training. Course fee £360, with concessions in special circumstances

### LEARNING TO LOVE- A COURSE ABOUT HOW CHILDREN LEARN

“I joined the Learn to Love course because a family dynamic was becoming very difficult to deal with. Over the year I have found my own voice and noticed my own choices and learned to interact on my own terms. Our situation has changed dramatically.

I am also much more competent in dealing with colleagues, and no longer troubled by feelings of dislike for tricky characters.”

Monday evenings starting **14th of February** at 7.30pm with Tessabella

A course for parents and professionals.

Meet weekly on Zoom for 24 sessions (12 taught and 12 group sessions \*).

Course fee £360 concessions in special circumstances

Group sessions - Participants in all the courses will also meet on Zoom in groups of 2 or 3 to share experiences. Catch up sessions are given by individuals attending for training.



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The course is limited to 14 participants.

Application fee: £50.00

Tuition Fee: £2,400.00.

Early bird fee £2,200.00 payable in full by April 30th.

Organic lunch, morning and afternoon refreshments are included in the fee. Accommodation is not included.

Please direct enquiries and completed applications to:  
[training@biographicalcounsellors.org.uk](mailto:training@biographicalcounsellors.org.uk)

For further details and to download an application:  
[www.biographicalcounsellors.org.uk](http://www.biographicalcounsellors.org.uk)



## JOIN A TASTER SESSION

Saturday 2nd April. 9.30am – 1pm

Monday 13th June. 7pm – 8.30pm

For further information please email:  
[training@biographicalcounsellors.org.uk](mailto:training@biographicalcounsellors.org.uk)