

# THE HAMLET HERALD



'Outstanding learning, within a glittering curriculum, where everyone matters'

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### HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

You only have to look at the long list of activities in the Key Dates section this week to see that the marathon run towards the end of term has begun! Lots to look forward to (can't wait to see our Y6 perform Bugsy Malone this week), lots to remember!

We've re-scheduled Open Classroom for tomorrow (before school and after school sessions) due to the industrial action last week. This is an opportunity for you and your child to engage in a reflective conversation about their learning. We know that the children will really enjoy presenting and sharing their work with you, celebrating specific highlights, as well as explaining processes and their learning journeys to date. Do have a good look through your children's books; they have been working incredibly hard. Try to spend some time looking at the work on the walls too, both within the classrooms and shared spaces such as the halls and library. Your child may have some work on display that they can sign-post you to.

**Please arrive at the beginning of the session to maximise your time with your child** - see the timings in the Key Dates section. Teachers will be moving into planning and other meetings from 4:15pm, and obviously we will need to start formal registration from 8:45am. As such, we will need to be strict regarding the finish times for these sessions, and kindly request that are ready to leave promptly at these times.

### MONEY MATTERS

As we fast approach the end of term, can we please ask all parents and carers to check their ParentPay account for any outstanding payments that need to be made. These payments may be for clubs, breakfast and after school care, music lessons, or Voluntary Contributions. Thank you in advance for clearing these payments. This means that we can close our school financial year having a clear picture of our income, which will support us in making our final budget decisions as we look ahead to the new year. Thank you.

### KEY DATES

#### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Special whole school assembly with Dulwich Library – Summer Reading Challenge initiative  
Y3/Y2 DVIS joint playtime, am

#### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Special whole school assembly with Indigenous Amazonian Leader (see HH later in week for highlights)  
Open Classroom: 8:25-8:45am **AND** 3:25-4:15pm  
Y3 French themed day

#### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July

Parent Café: 'How to help your child manage transition and change'. 9:00-9:45am. Please book your place with the office  
Y6 at Alleyn's Theatre all day  
Y3 to watch Y2 DVIS production, am  
Y4/5 special swim safety assembly  
Y4/5 to watch Y6 production, pm  
Y6 production, evening performance, 7pm, Alleyn's Theatre

#### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Y6 at Alleyn's Theatre all day

#### **P.E. day for Y3/4/5 this week**

Y3 and Y2 DVIS to watch Y6 production, pm  
Y6 production, evening performance, 7pm, Alleyn's Theatre

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Y3/4/5 'Meet the new teacher' session (children), am  
New Y3 (September 2023) Induction afternoon  
Trust inter-school (primary) cross country event, pm

### WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
Roll-over!			

## Y6 LEAVERS LIBRARY DONATIONS

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It has been an absolute pleasure to see so many of your children using the library over their four years at the Hamlet. I have loved seeing their reading journey, making recommendations and discussing the books that they have enjoyed (or sometimes not!) with them. The children at Dulwich Hamlet are incredibly lucky to have such a wonderful library, which is maintained through the generosity of the parents - I receive many donations of outgrown books over the course of the year, as well as PTA funding. As part of their rite of passage to secondary school we would love it if you felt able to donate a new book to the library, which we would then inscribe with your child's name and leaving date. There is a fantastic selection at Village Books and the wonderful Hazel is always happy to make recommendations. It could be a book that your child has really enjoyed reading and knows that we don't have in the library, or a recently published book that just looks too good to miss (I often don't have the funds to get these straight away). Whatever you and your child choose, we would be incredibly grateful, as will be the children in lower years who get to enjoy the library in the next academic year and beyond.

Many thanks and best wishes,

Rachel Evans - Assistant Headteacher in charge of Teaching & Learning, and all things 'library'!

## PTA NEWS/UPDATE

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**International Food Fair:** Huge thanks to Michaela and Lynda for running the PTA stall for DVIS and the Hamlet. You raised a combined total of approximately £300 for both schools in drinks sales!

**Year 6 Production 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July:** Tickets are on sale for the upcoming production of Bugsy Malone. Year 5 are running the bar in order that Year 6 parents can enjoy the show! So if you haven't yet seen the WhatsApp communications, could you kindly let the PTA know if you are able to help. Volunteers are still needed for Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm. Everything will be set up for you, we just need to 'staff' the bar!

**Uniform Shop:** Please consider volunteering to help with second hand uniform sales, the more volunteers we have means the more we can sell! The money raised goes back to the school. Any questions please contact the PTA and we'll put you in touch with the Uniform Team.

Your PTA Team

## END OF TERM MUSIC NEWS

(from Miss Campbell, Music Subject Lead)

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The end of term is fast approaching and the music department is gearing up for the Year 6 Production on July 12/13, our ensembles performing in the Summer Concert on July 17 and the Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, July 19. If your child is involved with any of these, please encourage them to know when rehearsals etc are and attend every session so they feel fully prepared.

Anyone who learns an instrument with us will continue to have lessons until the last week of school. If your child will still be with us next year, they should take their instrument home over the summer holidays before lessons resume again in September. If your child will be leaving us at the end of this academic year, please ensure any school instruments/music are returned in their final lesson.

We often receive requests for children to begin learning an extra instrument in school but unfortunately this is not possible as there are children on our waiting list and new children will be joining us in September. As a general rule, we also do not allow children to switch to new instruments, unless already discussed with Miss Campbell and/or the music tutor. At Dulwich Hamlet we take pride in our children continuing to improve their instrumental skills throughout their time with us rather than changing instruments each year. We provide many opportunities for them to move beyond beginner level, when they may be invited to join an ensemble and/or sit an exam, both ways for them to improve their musical skillset.

After their wonderful performance at the Summer Fair, Steel Pans has now finished for the year. Anyone who was in a steel pan group this term will be automatically be invited to continue next year, please look out for communications regarding this in early September. Some spaces will inevitably open up as well so, if you are interested in your child (or yourself!) joining a steel pan ensemble, please also keep an eye out early in the year.

## FINAL P.E. LESSON OF THE TERM & DAY CHANGE

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With so much going on between now and the end of term, there is a change to the normal P.E. day for Y3/4/5 this week.

Y6 have had their last P.E. session of the term today.

**Y3/4/5 will all have their P.E. lesson this week on Thursday, so please come into school wearing kit on that day ONLY.** There will be no P.E. lessons next week.

# Arty Party

Calling all  
5-11 year  
olds!

## Summer Workshops

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023

9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

This Summer we'll be exploring where the ocean meets the sky! There will be flying fish and diving birds, Aeroplanes and boats, we'll be inspired by the wonderful Fan brother's book 'Ocean Meets Sky' as well as contemporary artists. Join us on this epic adventure as we make...

**Hew Locke Flying Boats, Wonderful Whales, Spectacular Submarines, Beautiful Birds, Terrific Tropical Fish, Marvellous Moons, Wobbly Jellyfish, Sublime Sea Shells, Divine Cloud Drawings ... Ooooh and all the usual Fun & Games!**

Your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories. We'll be learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as printing, papier maché and casting. Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:

**[WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK](http://WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK)**

**Cost £46 per day**

5% discount off full 5 day week

**We accept childcare vouchers!**

Booking is for a minimum of 2 (preferably) consecutive days

Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!

For any more information please email or call us:

020 8675 7055 [john@artyparty.co.uk](mailto:john@artyparty.co.uk)

## WHERE TO FIND US...

**Wimbledon:** The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD - 10<sup>th</sup> July - 25<sup>th</sup> Aug

**Balham:** Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 24<sup>th</sup> July - 25<sup>th</sup> Aug

**Wandsworth:** Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 24<sup>th</sup> July - 18<sup>th</sup> Aug

**Clapham:** St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX - 24<sup>th</sup> July - 25<sup>th</sup> Aug

**Blackheath:** St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL - 31<sup>st</sup> July - 25<sup>th</sup> Aug

**Dulwich:** Dulwich Hamlet school, Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL - 24<sup>th</sup> July - 18<sup>th</sup> Aug



Book Now!