

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

As a surprise (and possibly shock!) to the children, DHJS staff did *Strictly Come Dancing* this afternoon in the name of Sport Relief. This has been a top secret from the children over the past few weeks, and has caused much merriment behind the scenes as staff groups have been meticulously preparing for their moment under the glitter ball in Turney! We had our very own panel of judges, as well as a 'Tess' (Miss Thomson) and 'Claudia' (Mrs Purcell) We definitely stuck true to form...

First thing this morning, the whole school engaged in a circuit of fun sporting activities, finishing with a Blues Brothers style dance led by our very own dance expert, Mrs Swann. We then enjoyed the handstand and keepee-uppie 'duals' between Mr Gold and Grace, and Mr Salomonson and Josiah! Check out our twitter feed for some fantastic pictures capturing our fun.

Thank you for your donations and joining us this week for the mile. We had a particularly strong turn out on Thursday morning for our 'parent get together', in partnership with Au Ciel. We made £83.90 from our Sports Relief coffee and pastry.

We look forward to bringing you our grand total next week. A huge thank you to Miss Thomson for organising us all, while raising money for this worthy cause.



PARENT PAY

Could we kindly request that you make checking your Parent Pay account (and then paying any outstanding balances!) one of your weekend jobs. We are particularly mindful that there are many spring term Voluntary Contributions not yet paid. The children have participated in so many activities/opportunities to complement and bring alive their learning this term. Your Voluntary Contributions fund our author presentations and workshops, Y4 trip to Battle, Y3 trip to Butser, Teen Tech for Y5, coaches for Young Voices, Riot Act workshops for Y5/6, Wonder Dome Planetarium for Y5, Carnival workshops for Y6, Portals to the Past workshops for Y4 to name a few... We do not charge for individual activities as they happen, as we feel this is an inefficient use of our resources. We hope that you feel your Voluntary Contribution is being well spent on our Hamleteers, and thank you in advance for supporting the school in being able to deliver our Vision of a 'Glittering Curriculum'.

KEY DATES

Monday 16th March

ABRSM Music Exam accompanying week – timetables subject to change

Wednesday 18th March

4G class assembly, 9:05am Turney, parents and carers welcome

Thursday 19th March

Y3 visit to Butser Farm

Friday 20th March

'Our Healthy Schools Phase 3' Q & A session for parents and carers, Burbage, 9-10am, please book via the school office
Brass & Woodwind Southwark Music Hub event at JAGs

POSTPONED PTA St. Patrick's Day social

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SPORTING FIXTURES ARE LISTED ON THE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOUND VIA THE LINK AT THE BOTTOM OF OUR WEBSITE HOMEPAGE:

<http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/calendar.html>

PARENT AND CARER CAFES

We have welcomed many of you since Christmas to one of our Parent and Carer Cafes. Themes have ranged from SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) to the Y6 SATs, to practical tips for supporting your young musician at home, and support for those pupils taking ABRSM music exams at the end of term. Teachers plan these short sessions to maximise the information we are able to share with you, and we hope that you come away feeling that they were a good use of your time, having learnt something in order to support your child at home.

We appreciate that you are not always to make these morning sessions, so where we are able, materials/presentations shared at the cafes are available to view on the Parent & Carer Café section, Parent tab, of our website.



WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

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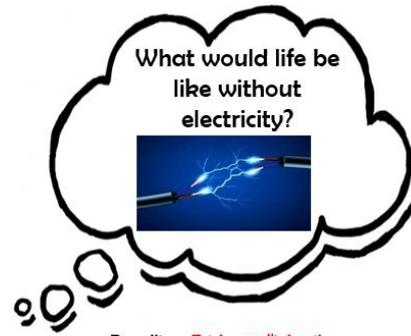
STEAM: QUESTION OF THE MONTH

A huge well done to all of the STEAM question entries for this last month. Our question was: Do aliens exist? The children researched the current facts, made interesting interpretations and drew carefully considered conclusions. There was such variety as always in the way the children presented their ideas, including art, 3D pieces and written essays. All of the entries impressed, but Bilal (5G) was our winner this time, thinking deeply about whether we could even be aliens to aliens! See below some of the brilliant entries. Well done, Bilal!

Our next STEAM Question of the Month is: **What would life be like without electricity?** Entries due in by Friday April 24th, a project for the Easter holidays!

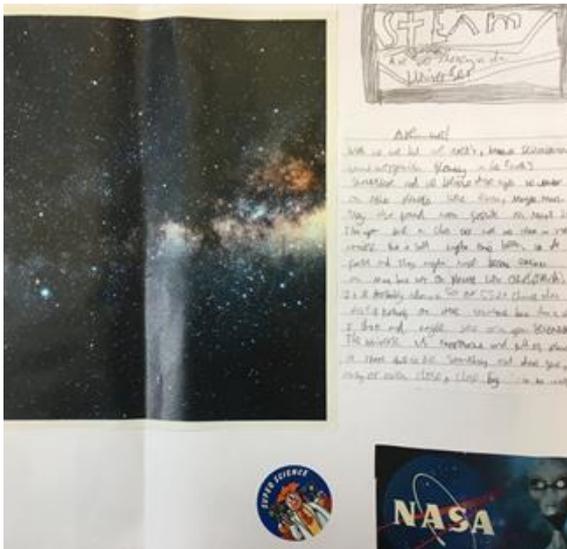
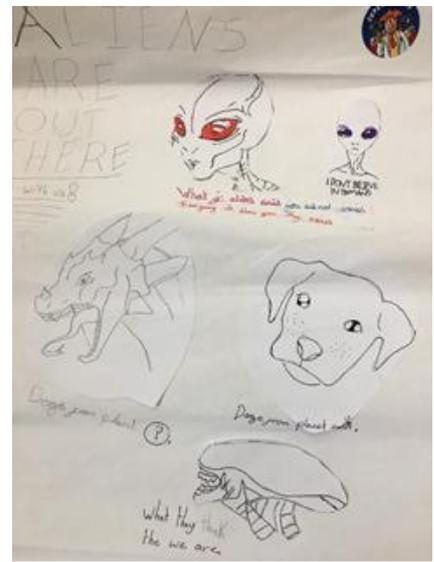
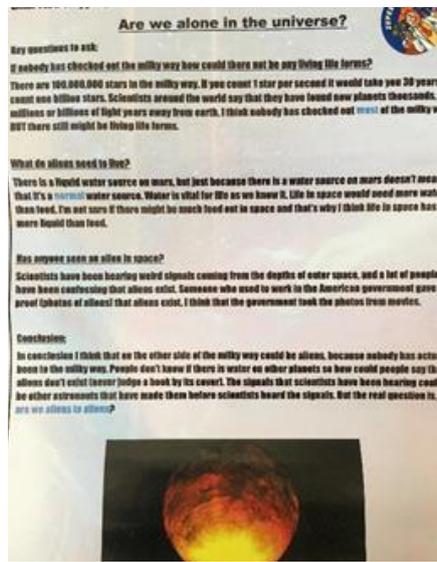
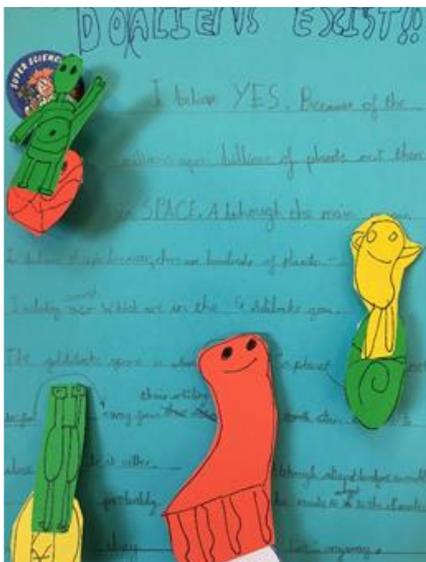
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Deadline: **Friday 24th April**

Hand your submissions in to Miss Harris or put them in the folder in Griffin.



OUR HEALTHY SCHOOLS PHASE 3

Further to the information we disseminated to you via the HH back in January, we are delighted to be able to offer our parents and carers the opportunity to attend a Q and A session regarding the 'Our Healthy Streets' plans. You may be aware that the final deadline for responding to this consultation is fast approaching, 29th March.

Ros Walton, the Dulwich and Herne Hill Safer Routes to School Secretary, together with Laurie Johnston, will be available to discuss these proposals and implications. They will focus specifically on the issues for our school community. This session will take place in **Burbage, on Friday, 20th March from 9-10am**. In order to plan for numbers, we ask that you contact the office to secure a place at this session.

Following this session, a focus group of our children will also have the opportunity to ask questions, raise their concerns, and understand more about the proposed changes to their community.

All of the information is available on the Southwark website: <https://consultations.southwark.gov.uk/environment-leisure/our-healthy-streets-dulwich-phase-3/> where you can give your views via an online survey.



WORLD BOOK DAY 2020

Wow, what a fantastic World Book Day we had! Thank you for kicking our day off with some lovely family reading, - it was great to see families sharing books across the school. We had wonderful visits from authors Jason Beresford and Christopher Edge who were both so complimentary about the school and the pupils. The children looked absolutely fantastic and it was really hard to pick a winner from each year group! Well done to our winners:

