

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

As I write this Hamlet Herald, we are still without internet, and so we are having to do things the old-fashioned way! It really is frightening how dependant we have become on our instant methods of communication and the technology that goes with it. We are unclear how long this is going to last; it has had a significant impact on much of our admin work. We rely so much on a cloud-based system, which we have obviously been unable to access.

We were planning to have all annual reports prepped, ready to email you with an electronic copy on Monday next week. This is now not going to be possible due to two days without internet. We will therefore aim to get these out for all year groups by the end of Wednesday. It has been a delight reading all of your children's reports, which include their personal comment and music report as appropriate. Yes, I really do read all 360! What comes across loud and clear is the breadth of learning that has been taking place this academic year, despite all the challenges schools have faced. It is reassuring to know how pleased your children are to be back in school post-lockdown! It was interesting how many children commented on this time within their personal comment. It is something that is going to stay with them for some time...

When you eventually receive the report, please take the time to read it through with your child. There are some incredible successes shared by the class teachers – they are so proud of your children's achievements – and they have also considered important next steps to support them moving into the next school year. We hope you enjoy reading the reports, and celebrating the progress made with your children.

PTA FUNDRAISING

The PTA fundraiser has now reached an incredible £1250. Thank you!

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/library-and-resources-fundraising>



KEY DATES

ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BRING IN A BAG (THURSDAY LATEST) IN ORDER TO TRANSPORT WORK AND SCHOOL BOOKS HOME FOR THE END OF TERM. THANK YOU!

Monday 19th July

Sports Morning – please see separate letter with details
Y6 share Fairy Story books with Y2 DVIS children, pm
Y3/4/5 listen to House Captain 'campaign' speeches & vote!

Tuesday 20th July

Y6 trip to Go Ape – arrive 8:30am, return for 3:15pm

Wednesday 21st July

Y6 performance of 'Sir Benjamin' to parents and carers, arrive from 9:45am via Turney gate, 10am start
Y6 Leaver's picnic
Y3/4/5 'meet the new teacher' session pm
Annual reports disseminated to parents and carers via email

Thursday 22nd July

Y6 Leavers' Assembly, arrive 1:45pm via Turney gate, 2pm start
Y6 Leavers' Disco 7-9pm

Friday 23rd July

Final registration 1:25pm

ALL Y6 AND IN-YEAR LEAVER'S MUST ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE RETURNED ANY SCHOOL RESOURCES ON LOAN: MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS/CHROMEBOOKS/SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS. HAMLETEERS RETURNING IN SEPTEMBER DO NOT NEED TO RETURN SCHOOL RESOURCES. THANK YOU!

FURTHER STAFFING UPDATE

Since the Hamlet Herald last week, we have some further staffing news for you. Mrs Lewis-George is going to be leaving her post as Higher-Level teaching Assistant and starting a new career as a driving instructor. We wish her all the best as she embarks on a new adventure. We are delighted that Mr Olanrewaju is going to stay with us a little longer before setting off on his travels, and that Miss Kenny is going to be joining us as a teaching assistant.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS, PUPIL PREMIUM AND SUMMER VOUCHERS

Due to the rising cost of living and the unfortunate global pandemic, everyone could use a bit of help.

If you are on a low income or on benefits, then you may be able to claim free school meals for your child. While all Southwark primary school children are able to access free meals via their healthy schools meal programme, for those children who have a statutory entitlement to free meals, an additional funding called Pupil Premium is allocated from the Department for Education. This funding is paid directly to a school to improve the quality of children's education. At Dulwich Hamlet, we offer you subsidised fees for clubs, trips and music lessons, as well as a pack of school uniform on entry to Y3 and again in Y5.

If you would like to see if you are entitled, please visit this website: <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/> It only takes a few minutes to complete, and you receive a certificate of eligibility which you can then share with us so that we can access the funding.

Follow the simple instructions as listed here:

1. Click – Check my eligibility
2. Click – Proceed, create a new account
3. Click – Drop down box Local Authority – Insert *Southwark*
4. Click – Drop down box School – Insert *Dulwich Hamlet Junior School*
5. Read terms – before you can use the Free School Meals Eligibility Checker, you need to read and accept the Privacy Notice
6. Input your details: You must complete all of the boxes – paying particular attention to those in the green area, which indicates information that is matched against DWP/HMRS data
7. Results will show at the bottom. If successful, it will be *Green*. Download certificate and email to Chrissie Purcell cpurcell4.210@lgflmail.org

Please contact Chrissie Purcell in the office for further support and information.

Following the recent announcement to extend the COVID Local Support Grant, Southwark will be using their allocation to fund meals for FSM pupils over the summer holidays. Funding will be £3 per pupil per day. Summer 2021 holiday (27 days, from Monday 26th July to Tuesday 31st August) totalling £81 per child who is entitled to FSM.

If you are making a new application (not existing, known Pupil Premium families), please ensure that your certificate is with us by Tuesday 20th July so that we can process your vouchers in time for the summer 2021 holiday.

CHANGES TO CONTACT TRACING IN EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE SETTINGS

- From Monday 19th July 2021, education and childcare settings (i.e. schools, colleges and nurseries) will no longer carry out routine contact tracing when a positive case, or close contact has been identified. This responsibility is being taken away from schools. From this point onwards, close contacts will be identified and contacted by NHS Test and Trace.
- As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will speak with the individual who has tested positive – or, depending on their age, their parent or legal guardian – to identify close contacts.
- Contacts within schools, colleges and nurseries will only be traced by NHS Test and Trace where the positive case specifically identifies the individual as having close, prolonged contact. NHS contact tracers will provide support on how to identify a close contact. The setting will not routinely be contacted to provide details of close contacts.
- Schools, colleges and nurseries may be contacted in exceptional cases to help with identifying close contacts where there is a local outbreak, as currently happens in managing other infectious diseases.
- Symptomatic individuals, and those who record a positive test, will still need to isolate in line with current guidance.

We will be sending you a separate communication from The Charter Schools Educational Trust with further detailed information.

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26th July
26th Aug
2021

Day Trips
(Refundable deposit applies)
Whitstable Beach
Paulton's Park
23rd & 25th August

Arts & crafts, music, drama workshop, storytelling,
healthy cooking, games, dance, sports and so much more.

St Giles
64 Wilson Road SE5 8PE

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64 Wilson Road, SE5 8PE

Dawson Heights Estate
Community Flat
Overhill Road,
SE22 0PW

St Paul's Church Hall
Lorrimore Sq, SE17 3QU

Samuel Lewis Trust
Estate, Clubroom, Warner
Road, SE5 9NE

Amott Road,
47 Amott road
SE15 4HU

Time	Be Active Monday	Try Something Tuesday	Win on Wednesday	Trip Thursday
10am - 10.45am	ONLINE ACTIVITIES (Fitness, Salsa, Zumba)	ONLINE ACTIVITIES (Fitness, Salsa, Zumba)	ONLINE ACTIVITIES (Fitness, Salsa, Zumba)	Tower of London Tower Bridge Discovery Day Hyde Park Picnic in the Park
11am - 12pm	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama)	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama, Cooking)	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama, Competition)	
12pm - 1pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1pm - 2pm	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama)	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama, Cooking)	VARIOUS CENTRE BASED ACTIVITIES (Arts & Crafts, Music, Drama, Competition)	ALL DAY

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