

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

What a busy and productive first half-term – I think we are all ready for a breather...

Our 'Hamlet's Got Talent' this afternoon has been a perfect way to round-off the term. Many thanks to our House Captains who organised the auditions, and expertly compered the show. Keep an eye out on twitter for some highlights of our superb acts.

You will have received your child's 'Our Learning' Autumn 2 overview via the book bag this afternoon. A parent recently suggested that it would be useful to have this before the break, instead of during the first week back of the new half-term. A great idea! You may just find a few interesting ideas/activities to fill some time over the break.

We must thank the PTA team behind the Quiz last week, and indeed for all of your support; it was a great turn out. The teachers' plasticine model still has pride of place in the staff room!

ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES

The following children have received Achievement Certificates in our special Friday celebration assemblies throughout September and October. Congratulations to you all:

- 3C Ansh, Friedrich, Anna, Rosita, Zaynab, Henrietta, Leo, Ibrahim, Leah, Shakiel, Rose, Farley & Adriana
- 3J Maxi, Cian, Joe, Olive, Sidney, Leo, Amelia, Lucy, Ella M, Beatrice, Sophia, Farah, Eddy & Emilio
- 3TS Nahla, Daniel, Dulcie, Valentina, Felix, Michael, Stella, Kiefer, Marina, Walker, Gilda, Harley, Georgia, Nate, Kara, Manny & Tilly
- 4S Tilly, Shayne, April, Raphael, Alfie, Layla, Nicholas, Gabriel, Stanley, Matthew, Cecile, Sophia & Micah
- 4G Lucien, Teddy, Eric, Peeps, Ned, Natasha, Matilda, Max, Tiffany, Reuben, Noah, Ella & Nathan
- 4H Zoe, Emmanuel, James, Sophie, Byron, Otto, Esme, Jeremiah, Arthur KC, Vy, Vy, William, Maxwell, Edward & Mahdi
- 5A Nancy, Anouska, Theo, Justyn, Ruth, Ines, Benjy, William, Grace, Josiah, Valentina & Matthew
- 5B Connie, Ezekiel, David, Camille, Milo, Xavier, Blake, Felix, Monty, Lorna, Harry, Gilgal, James & Sulim
- 5P Niall, Lilly-Rose, Katya, Lara, Liv, Alice, Arthur, Lois, Lewis, Niamh, Grace M, Sophie & Edie
- 6S Enzo, Tamiah, Amy, Annika, Otis, Fejiro, Thomas, Charlotte, Jake, Lilly, Daniel, Aidan, Sophie & Finn
- 6MG Alma, Julien, Sophia, Alexander, Sam, Alexia, Tabitha, Charlie, Tom, Sebastian, Esha, Madison & Tali
- 6GR Charlie, Diana, Pablo, Lila, Alejandro, Lilly, Moriah, Noah J, Tom, Ethan, Immy, Jodi & Florence

KEY DATES

Monday 29th October

INSET Day

Wednesday 17th October

Young Shakespeare Company performance of Macbeth to Y6

3:25pm PTA Bonfire Cake Sale, Village playground

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

You may have noticed that the Voluntary Contribution has been added to your ParentPay account recently and want to thank those of you that have already paid. We kindly ask that you contribute £25 per term, or you have the option of paying for the full year (£75) in one go. This important fund supports the school in order to provide the wealth of activities/events that help to bring the curriculum alive. Voluntary Contribution is not an additional payment to the visits and trips your children participate in throughout the course of the year. As such, you will notice that we do not ask for a payment every time your child is engaged in these opportunities, for example, the Y3 visit to Horton Kirby, Y3 visit to the Primary Prom, Y4 workshops at the Horniman Museum, Y4 Polar Explorer visitor, Y5 workshops at The Ragged School Museum, Y5 & 6 workshops at the Black Cultural Archives, Y6 workshop with the Young Shakespeare Company, Anti-Bullying performance for everyone after half-term, and that's just for starters...!

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
Roll over due to 'Hamlet's Got Talent!'			

WHOLE SCHOOL AUTUMN TERM 2 KEY DATES

Wednesday 15th November

Reading Curriculum Evening 6:45-8pm Library/Turney Hall

Wednesday 21st November

Open Classroom for all year groups 3:30-4:15pm

Thursday 22nd November

Open Classroom for all year groups 8:30-8:50am
Individual and sibling photos

Saturday 24th November

PTA Christmas Fair 12:30-3pm

Thursday 29th November

'Resilience' Parent & Carer Café (Repeat session) 9-10am,
Burbage. Last few places available, email the office.

Thursday 6th December

Flu immunisations for Y3,4 and 5 children

Tuesday 11th December

Whole Christmas Celebration at St. Barnabas 10am & 2pm

Friday 14th December

PTA Christmas Cake Sale, 3:25pm, Village playground

Tuesday 18th December

Music Concert 7pm venue tbc (all ensembles performing)

Friday 21st December

Finish for Christmas holidays, 1:25pm finish

Further details about all of these opportunities and events will be sent to you much nearer the time. Do keep checking your emails from us.

REMEMBRANCE

In November, to mark the centenary of the end of the first World War, we will be holding a special assembly to learn about key events and people including some of the past pupils from the Hamlet. There are some photographs of these pupils on our display in Pickwick building. There is also a plaque of names outside 6GR's classroom. We will be selling poppies in our school reception from Tuesday 30th October. The children are allowed to wear the poppies to school, especially on Friday 9th November when we will be observing a two-minute silence.

NEW PARENT TOURS & Y3 ADMISSIONS 2018

We start the first of our four prospective parent tours on our return from half-term. Even if you are a 'seasoned' Hamlet parent, you are more than welcome to join a tour if you have a child currently in Y2. Please let fellow Y2 parents and carers know of these opportunities, we do ask that you book a place via the school office. Our first two sessions are now full, but there are spaces for the 14th December and 11th January sessions, both 9:15-10:15am.

Admissions for Southwark residents should be submitted online via the Southwark website:
www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The closing date for this is 15th January 2019. Lambeth residents should do the same but via the Lambeth website.

Y4, 5 and 6 CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE

Thank you to those of you who have amended as appropriate, signed and returned your contact details sheet that we sent home via the book bags recently. As previously stated, it is paramount that we hold the correct up-to-date information on behalf of your child. If you haven't already done so, please return this sheet at your earliest convenience. We will be sending out reminders after the half-term break, but would prefer not to! If you would like another copy of your contact sheet, please contact the office who will be able to provide this for you.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY APPEAL

Last week we mentioned the Christmas shoe boxes; the Norwood Foodbank is delighted we are collecting for them. They have been in touch with an alternative for this year. The contents of the boxes have been great and much appreciated but, shoe boxes are not easy to carry and soon become heavy, so this year we're filling cloth bags. Any type of bag will do, but plain cloth bags can be easily purchased online or in stores and it would be fantastic if the children decorated them in a Christmas theme. We will be in touch with suggested items to fill the bags after half-term, but thought you would welcome some advance notice and a possible creative activity to do over the half-term break. We will be asking for the filled bags to be brought to school between 12th-14th December. There will be a small supply of cloth bags available in the office after half-term if you would like to come and take one.

HALF-TERMLY SPORTING ROUND-UP

Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y6 mixed hockey)

I am in Y6 and a group of us went and played a hockey match against Alleyn's; the score was 2-0 to them. The match took place at Alleyn's on their hockey pitch. We played on Thursday 13th September. Alleyn's attitude was positive as was ours. We nearly scored twice, the first one hit the post and the second one was saved by the goalie. The match was great fun.

Lilly 6GR

On the 13th September Y6 took up the challenge of playing Alleyn's at their home ground. We were very respectful and accepted our 3-0 loss with great sportsmanship. The opposition were excited for the game and they were sensible with the amount of celebration from their win. Near the end of the match Sophia, myself, Ethan (who got man of the match) and Matty made a run but the keeper got a foot to the ball. Our defenders Immy, Alma and Sophia were amazing and they stopped 99% of the attacks. Emma, our mid-fielder, did lots of running and made many good passes.

Finn 6S

Dulwich Hamlet Y6 Girls Netball Tournament

On Monday 17th September 2018, the Y6 Netball team had a tournament against 8 other schools. We won 2 matches, drew 3 and lost 3. It was an exciting experience as we each had to play in every position. We played at Streatham and Clapham High School. The Y6 team played against a few schools; Rosemead, Rosendale and Streatham & Clapham High School. Grace and Lilly scored the most shots even though they are not usually shooters. Grace got a medal for being the most versatile player. Our team did great, despite the fact that we were not playing our strongest positions. The other teams' attitudes were good; they played well in every position.

Moriah 6GR

Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y4 Girls Football)

On the 18th September a few Y4 girls went to Alleyn's. Three teams played. Our team included Hana, Natasha, Sophia, Amber, Ella and Matilda. The score was 4-1 to Alleyn's. Natasha scored the one goal and Hana had two near miss shots. Our team found the game a good opportunity to learn new skills. The player of the match was Matilda.

Matilda 4G

Dulwich Hamlet v JAPS (Y6 Girls Football)

On this match we played JAPS at football. We split into two teams to play. In my match they won 4-0 but we are still proud of what we did. I think in the other match JAPS won 1-0. JAPS played well and were a good team to play and we also played well too.

Bela 6MG

Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y6 Girls Football)

On Friday 28th September, a group of Y6 girls were split into 3 teams and played teams from Alleyn's School. The games were played on Alleyn's field on a sunny afternoon. It was a close match with the final score being 1-1. This match was a much better performance than when we played JAPS. We felt disappointed when Alleyn's scored. This was because we had already scored a great team goal by Freya. Our team had also hit the post twice – surely that counts as one goal! In conclusion, Alleyn's showed determination and our team will continue to get better. DHJS team: Jodi, Freya, Bea, Florence, Alma, Annika, Saanika & Esha.

Freya 6GR

Dulwich Hamlet v Blackheath Prep (Y3 Boys Football)

On Wednesday afternoon we travelled to Blackheath School to play football. There were 6 boys in our team. We were all feeling nervous on the bus.

In the 1st half Blackheath had good pace and they took some shots which were saved by Emilio. After 20 minutes I passed to George he shot from the ½ way line and scored but then Blackheath scored just before halftime. Blackheath changed their team, it was Blackheath kick off. 30 minutes in Shakiel scored. Alex did some great defending. Then Jasper scored a goal. Shakiel scored 3 more goals so it was 6-1 but not for long. I crossed it in; it was on target but Blackheath tapped it in. The final score was 7-1. We felt really happy.

Hugo 3C

Dulwich Hamlet v Belham (Y4 Football)

On 2nd October the Y4s played Belham on Griffin Field. In both matches there were ties, the first score was 4-4. The match I played in was 2-2. I came very close to scoring a goal but the goalkeeper reached the ball first. I thought both teams' attitudes were positive because we were having so much fun. I thoroughly enjoyed the match and can't wait for the next one.

James 4H

Dulwich Hamlet v JAPS (Y5 Girls Football)

On the 3rd October 2018 some Y5 girls went to JAPS to play football. It was an evenly played match, JAPS had 4 attempts on goal in the 1st half and Dulwich Hamlet had quite a few near misses but at the end of the 1st half the score was 0-0. The 2nd half was also evenly matched until Tallulah from JAPS scored a goal. Dulwich Hamlet never gave up and tried desperately to score an equaliser but at the end of the match the score was 1-0 to JAPS. Both teams' attitude was good.

Nancy 5A

Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y4 Boys Football)

On Wednesday 3rd October 15 boys took part in three good matches at Alleyn's; we were split into 3 groups. In our match Alleyn's took the lead by doing some good passing, and then they doubled their lead. A person called Frederick scored both of them. Just before half time Nicholas scored a cross. Seconds after halftime I dribbled the whole length of the pitch to nutmeg the keeper, we had equalised! Then Byron set me up and I scored again. Just at the moment before the ref blew his whistle, George did a low drilled shot in the bottom right hand corner of the goal to make the final score 4-2 to us!

Eric 4G

On 3rd October Y4 played a match against Alleyn's. It took place at their amazing fields.

There were 7 players on each team and our side were wearing pink bibs. I was pleased that I played in midfield because I think that's the best position for me.

It was an even game of football. Dulwich Hamlet were ahead by two goals but Alleyn's came back by scoring two goals as well. Then we scored again to make it 3-2 and I felt confident that we were going to win. Unfortunately, one of our players made a mistake and Alleyn's made it 3-3. Both teams put all they had into the match. After the game everyone was happy with the result. However, next time we play them I think we should win.

Mihali 4H

Dulwich Hamlet v Blackheath Prep (Y5 Girls Netball)

On the 4th October the Y5 Netball team played against Blackheath on our netball courts. It was an exciting match as the opposition were very good but we had some amazing players and shooters. In the first 5 minutes we already had 4-0 then the match got harder. By half time we were still winning, though Blackheath had scored one goal. We were nervous but positive about our abilities. In the end the score was 9-2 and we were all very delighted and surprised. Despite the score, Blackheath were strong opponents and we are looking forward to playing them again.

Agnes 5B

On 4th October at Dulwich Hamlet the Y5 Netball team played Blackheath Prep School. Both teams did really well. The A team did extremely well and won 9-2 and the B team did equally well and won 2-1. There were a lot of interceptions and everyone was supportive. Astrid and Sophie scored goals for the A team and Niamh and Matilda scored goals for the B team. It was a great first match for the season.

Chloe 5B

Dulwich Hamlet v other schools (Y3 Football tournament)

We played against Alleyn's, St Paul's, Blackheath and Rosemead in a football tournament on Monday 8th October at Alleyn's School.

My team was excited when we got to the pitch at Alleyn's School. Hugo was captain. We scored some really good goals for Dulwich Hamlet and we won two matches, drew one and lost one game.

Freddie 3C

Many thanks to all our sports journalists for their match reports; we have played a lot of sport in the first half term of the new academic year. In fact, 238 children have already been out to represent the school for sport. All the match reports are compiled and put into a book for the library so they can be read by all the children.

We're very fortunate to have a range of sporting clubs available for our pupils. We are trying to get every child in the school involved in sport in some way. The mile has been a great success and we always look forward to seeing new people come along. We run the mile on a Monday, Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8.30-8.45am on Griffin Field.

A big thank you as always goes to Dan Mullings and Lucy Akril for their coaching and continued support as well as attending matches. Thank you too to all the staff who run clubs or accompany children to and from matches. It's great to see so many parents and carers supporting our teams too. Thank you to all the parents who have washed and returned kit. We're still missing a few pieces, especially socks!

We're constantly updating our 'This girl can' display board. Past pupils have been moved to an alternative 'Hall of Fame' leaving lots of space for new photos. Girls, if there isn't one of you on the board yet, do send one in.

Our Sport Mentors have been busy updating the sport information board under the shelter. All the news and photos of sporting events are displayed there.

Nikki Thomson

Wishing you all a wonderful half-term break.