

# THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

Our final HH of 2019!

What an end to a fantastic term! The children have enjoyed festive parties and panto this week. Thank you for supporting the PTA to fund these memorable activities. The staff came together this morning for an early breakfast to celebrate the term and to wish each other a happy holiday. Thank you to those parents who managed Breakfast Club for us so that we could all be there. And a final big 'thank you' to children, staff, and parents and carers for your continued support and contributions to our school. I do hope everyone has a well-deserved break; I look forward to seeing everyone on our return in the New Year ready for new challenges and adventures!

We say a 'goodbye' and 'thank you' today to Michaela Francey. Michaela has been working in the office for the past few years, specifically managing the B&ASC bookings. She is off to pastures new at Dulwich Prep. We wish her well as she starts her new position. We have appointed a new member of the team, who will join us mid-January. We will introduce them to you in due course. In the meantime, any B&ASC queries should be made via our new B&ASC email: [baasc@dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk](mailto:baasc@dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk)



'Oh no it isn't!!!'

*A very Merry Christmas to you from us all at*

*Dulwich Hamlet Junior School*



## VALUES CERTIFICATES

We introduced our new Values Certificates earlier this term. Every Friday, in our weekly Celebration Assembly, each teacher nominates a member of their class who has demonstrated one of our Values in action, and we enjoy hearing the varied reasons as to why they have been specifically chosen. On page 2, you will see which children have received certificates this term:

## KEY DATES

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

INSET day – school closed to children

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – SCHOOL RETURNS NORMAL TIME

Choir resumes – 8am, Turney Hall

Morning Mile resumes – 8:30am, Griffin field

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January

'Portals to the Past' Anglo Saxon workshops for Y4

PLEASE READ ON FOR KEY SPRING TERM DATES. YOU CAN ALSO FIND THESE VIA THE KEY DATES OF OUR WEBSITE HOMEPAGE, AND VIA THIS LINK:

[http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/key\\_dates\\_spring\\_term](http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/key_dates_spring_term)

## ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES

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

- 3H Eden, George, Hugo, Harry, Alice, Theo, Cydney, Lillie-Ann, Isaac, Eliza, Wilbur, Liv & Elsie
- 3D India, Ruari, Bella, Edward, Emma, Jacob, Saul, Rose, Ronin, Gabriela, Emily, Leo, Ciara & Benjamin
- 3TS Olivia, Edward, Benita, Lucia, Ollie, Georges, Max, Charles, Henry, James, Laurie & Neve
- 4S Leo, Noah, Rosita, Rosie, Betty, Hugo, Zakery, Bea, Ansh, Anna, Rudi, Adriana, Georgia & Dax
- 4G Maxi, Cian, Ella H, Amelia, Lucy, Beatrice, Arlo, Sophia, Farah, Logan, Ella T, Ace & Chloe
- 4O Andy, Annie, Daniel, Vanessa, Valentina, George, Kayan, Walker, Gilda, Vedaant, Kara, Scarlett & Deklan
- 5P Aamir, Alfie, Amber, Annabelle, Anastasia, Eric, George, Joshua, Luke, Rafael, Tilly, Tobin, Wren & Zoe
- 5G Austen, Coco, Ali, Violet, Esme, Arthur, Freddie, Dela, Ava, Nathan, Amber & George
- 5N Alf, Arthur, Beatrice, Cecile, Constance, Edith, Emily, Freddie, Gabriel, Jeremiah, Layla, Mahrosh, Maisy, Mani, Matthew, Max A, Max M, Natasha, Ned, Patrick, Raferty, Raphael, Sophia, Stanley, Stevie & VyVy
- 6SP Connie, Ezekiel, David, Frank, Ayla, Noah, Chloe, Agnes, Juliet, Tom, Felix, Tallulah & Matilda
- 6B Camille, Nancy, Ottilie, Sam, Poppy, Thomas, Rufus, Justyn, Rafer, Lottie, Eve, Grace, Matthew, Ines & Ruth
- 6GR Matthew, Grace, Zac, Alice, Alban, Gus, Charlie P, Lewis, Katya, Lara, Rafferty, Maya, Iris & Isabel

## WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

| Topaz Water   | Ruby Fire  | Garnet Earth  | Sapphire Air  |
|---|--|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |
| 202   | 186  | 107   | 127   |



managed to score one goal. Our team's attitude was positive and we didn't give up. Their team's attitude was positive as well. I enjoyed it a lot. **Ella 4G**

#### **Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y5 hockey)**

On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 Dulwich Hamlet Junior School played Alleyn's in a Y5 hockey match. We started the match with Romi in goal, me and Arthur in defence, Raphael, Freddie and Coco in midfield and Tilly as our striker. The game was underway. DHJS passed the ball to Raphael who dribbled up the pitch before getting tackled by an Alleyn's player. Alleyn's then played it wide to their RM who we didn't realise was going to go on and cause us problems for the rest of the game! It was end to end anyone could have scored and taken the lead but both teams defences hung on without conceding until half time.

Alleyn's started the second half, we had made a change this half, I moved into midfield and Freddie moved into defence with Arthur. Then disaster struck, during a nice move down the left hand side Alleyn's cut inside and passed it into the box. It went across the goal face a few times before a Alleyn's player got a stick on it and just steered it past Romi's foot into the back of the net! That was terrible for us, as neither team deserved to be winning or losing at that point. DHJS responded by showing great intent to get a goal back. With a few good attacks Raphael countered although he was slowed down by defenders. Everyone regrouped and after passing the ball around, the ball found its way back to him and he hit the post. In another one of these moves I missed by about a foot.

Overall, a very competitive performance from both teams, everyone showed excellent attitude and commitment throughout the game. No-one gave up until the final whistle was blown and Alleyn's had just edged the 1-0 victory. **George 5P**

#### **Dulwich Hamlet Y6 netball tournament**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019, a team of seven Y6 girls and one Y5 went to play in a netball tournament held at St. Christopher's. The team was Liv, Aggie, Hana, Juliet, Gilgal, Chloe, Tessa and Lorna. The first team we played was Rosemead and we beat them 3-0. Then we played Oakfield and won 2-1. We then played against Colfe's and drew 1-1. After that we played Farringtons on our last match and sadly lost 2-0. Despite this we ended up coming 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and our total amount of points was 24. Farringtons came first and got a total of 35 points. But, we still did really well and tried our best. At the end they gave us a bag of oranges and a whole packet of biscuits. After this we headed off home. **Liv 6GR**

#### **Dulwich Hamlet v Alleyn's (Y4 boys football)**

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November a Y4 boys football team went to Alleyn's for a football match. We played four games. We won one and lost three. Even though we lost three games our attitude was positive and we kept going as a team. One of the

best goals was a long shot from Freddie. The opposition worked hard and also showed a positive attitude. Next time we hope to win more games. **Harper 4G**

#### **Dulwich Hamlet v Blackheath Prep (Y5 football)**

Y5 went all the way to Blackheath and played against Blackheath Prep School. The match took place on the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019. When it was 4-0 to DHJS, Blackheath missed a penalty. Emmanuel and Gabriel both scored a hat trick. At one point Emmanuel crossed the ball into the box and Gabriel scored. The attitude of DHJS was really positive and respectful. They were really committed because the team tried to score until the last second. Blackheath's team was really positive because even though they were losing by more than five goals they tried their best. **Emmanuel 5N**

The second half of the autumn term was just as busy with fixtures. Since September, 219 children have represented the school at a sporting event. A big thank you to all the sports reporters for their match reports; I hope you enjoyed reading them as much as I did. None of the fixtures would be possible without the dedicated support of the staff at the Hamlet. My thanks go to all the staff but in particular Dan Mullings, Lucy Akiril, Jim Purcell and Sharon Campbell for supporting and escorting the children to and from fixtures.

We are fortunate to be able to offer so many sport clubs before and after school. During the spring term, all the sport clubs will be free. We hope to encourage those children who don't participate to give a club a try.

The 'morning mile' starts again on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**. It is possible some sessions early in the year will be in the playground; it all depends on the weather and the condition of the field. Spare socks will be essential! If you haven't yet joined us make it your new year thing. Come and join us at 8.30am Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Well done to everyone that turns up to run at 8.30am especially our regular milers: Claudia (& Mum & Dad), Ruari, Ted, Augie, Benedict, Ella, Ben, Maxi (& Mum & Dad), Jennifer (& Mum), Angus (& Dad), Dylan, Joshua, Wilbur (& Dad), Jenny (& Mum), Beatrix, Fleur, Albert (& Mum), James, Laurie (& Mum), Emelia (& Mum), Neve (& Mum), Finlay (& Mum & Dad), Max (& Dad), Eddie (& Mum & Dad), Alice, Zac (& Mum), Thomas (& Dad), Harper, Cian, Olive (& Dad), Sidney (& Mum & Dad), Nathan (& Mum), Vedaant (& Dad), Jasper, Rose (& brother), Max, Arthur, Noah, James, Eric, Anastasia, Kitty, Ben, Thomas, Nate, Niall, Katya, Lara, Matthew, Charlie, Gus, Liv, Zac, Theo, Lois, Albam Alana, Niamh, Rafferty, Lucy (& Mum) and Noah.

Nikki Thomson – PE Subject Leader

## CURRICULUM SPECIAL: MUSIC

Being a Hamlet Musician, you always have a busy schedule, but no more so than at Christmas time! From performances, to special events, to curriculum lessons, music plays such an important part in the life of all of our Hamleteers. This is what we have been up to just within the last few weeks...!



We always enjoy our bi-annual visit from Bassistry Arts. Marcel and Philippe are good friends of the school, and spend the day inspiring us with their incredible bass and kit playing. They led Y5/6 through world music workshops, before entertaining the whole school with a rousing end of day performance.



For the second year, we were delighted that Choir were invited to sing at the Dulwich Choral Society's Christmas Concert, this year at St. Stephen's Church. This was such a special evening. Our choristers sang beautifully: Ode to Joy in 3-part harmony – wow!



The Steel Pan Ensembles always kick-start the festive musical season with their fabulous performances at our PTA Christmas Fair. Nothing beats listening to the pans with a mince pie and mulled wine in hand!

O-Generator is a music software that we use with our Y6 to teach how to compose their own music, learn key musical concepts, encouraging them to be creative, make choices and take musical risks. These are fun lessons! The pieces Y6 have written and have started to record are brilliant.



Our Y6 Music Mentors have not only had various performance opportunities to get us all Christmassy with their 'set' of carols, but behind the scenes, have been working alongside and supporting our less experienced musicians to encourage, inspire and enjoy making music together. They are an incredibly talented and committed bunch of young musicians.

Our music concerts are always a special treat to wrap-up a term of music-making, celebrating the achievements of all of our ensembles. Choir, String Orchestra, Brass Ensemble, Recorder Ensemble, Recorder Consort, Guitar Ensemble, Fusion, Wind Band, Woodwind Ensemble, Early Music Ensemble and the Music Mentors – many of whom had first time members – performed with confidence and professionalism. Many thanks to our terrific music staff for making this musical magic with our Hamleteers.



## Key Dates for Spring term 2020

Y3 -   Y4 -   Y5 -   Y6 -   Whole Sch -  

| Key Dates | Events  | Further Details                         |
|-----------|---|---|
| 06.01.20  | <b>INSET Day</b>  | <b>All day</b>                          |
| 07.01.20  | <b>Spring Term 1 starts<br/>Welcome back &amp; Happy New Year!</b>        | <b>Normal School time 08.55</b>         |
| 10.01.20  | New Parent Tour   | 09.15-10.15 (booking via school office) |
| 13.01.20  | After School Clubs begin  | 15.25-4.30                              |
| 15.01.20  | 6B Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 17.01.20  | 4S to Tate Britain  | 10.00-15.30                             |
| 21.01.20  | 4O to Tate Britain  | 10.00-15.30                             |
| 21.01.20  | Y6 TFL Southwark Junior Citizens  | 13.30-15.00                             |
| 22.01.20  | Young Voices Concert  | O2 Arena – details tbc                  |
| 22.01.20  | 4G to Tate Britain  | 10.00-15.30                             |
| 29.01.20  | 5G Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 30.01.20  | Parent & Carer Café: Music Examination Preparation                        | 09.00-10.00 Burbage                     |
| 06.02.20  | Y5 Teen Tech DT Workshops   | All Day                                 |
| 07.02.20  | PTA Valentines Cake Sale  | 15.25-16.25 – Village Playground        |
| 12.02.20  | 4S Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 12.02.20  | Y6 Parent & Carer Café: Y6 SATs   | 08.45-09.30                             |
| 14.02.20  | Hamlet's Got Talent   | 01.45-03.00                             |
| 14.02.20  | <b>Break for Half term</b>  | <b>Normal School pick up time 15.25</b> |
| 24.02.20  | <b>Spring Term 2 starts</b>   | <b>Normal School time 08.55</b>         |
| 26.02.20  | Parent & Carer Café: Music  | 09.00-10.00 Burbage                     |
| 27.02.20  | Y5 School Journey Meeting for Parents & Carers                            | 18.00 – Turney Hall                     |
| 04.03.20  | 5P Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 05.03.20  | Y6 Trip to Horniman Museum  | 09.30-15.30                             |
| 06.03.20  | DHJS World Book 'Dress-Up' Day  | All day                                 |
| 11.03.20  | 3TS Assembly – Parents invited  | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 13.03.20  | Sports Relief   | All day                                 |
| 16.03.20  | 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> March - ABRSM Exam Accompaniment week | Details tbc                             |
| 18.03.20  | 4G Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 19.03.20  | Y3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm  | 08.00-16.00                             |
| 27.03.20  | Y6 Annual Reports Part 1  | Via Book bags                           |
| 27.03.20  | PTA Mother's Day Cake Sale  | 15.25-16.25 – Village Playground        |
| 30.03.20  | 30 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> April – ABRSM Music                    | All Day                                 |
| 01.04.20  | 5N Assembly – Parents invited   | 09.05-09.30 – Turney Hall               |
| 01.04.20  | Y3-5 Open Classroom   | 15.30-16.15                             |
| 01.04.20  | Y6 Parents Evening  | 15.30-19.30                             |
| 02.04.20  | Y3-5 Open Classroom   | 08.30-08.50                             |
| 02.04.20  | Y6 Parents Evening  | 15.30-17.30                             |
| 02.04.20  | 'Evening of Song' – Choir   | 19.00 Turney Hall/JAGs TBC              |
| 03.04.20  | Y3-5 Annual Reports Part 1  | Via Book bags                           |
| 03.04.20  | <b>Break for Easter</b>   | <b>Normal School pick up time 15.25</b> |
| 20.04.20  | <b>Summer Term starts – No INSET Day</b>                                  | <b>Normal School time 08.55</b>         |

## ONLINE SAFETY SPECIAL

Social media apps have become a part of daily life for most of us and typically tend to be the first thing children look to download when they get a new smartphone device. They're a great way to keep in touch with friends, stay on top of news and learn new things online. But do children really understand the dangers? Do they know how to protect themselves from strangers? And do they know how to build a positive online reputation? Find out with this guide.

Created by experienced writer Pete Badh, this guide provides children with twelve safety tips intended to help them use social media safely and securely. Designed to be used as either a resource for first-timers or as a good reminder of general safety measures, the guide provides children with the best ways to keep themselves and their personal information safe.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

# 12 Social Media Online Safety Tips FOR CHILDREN WITH NEW DEVICES

With Christmas only a few weeks away, many of you will be using social media to share your excitement with friends and family. Being active on social media is a great way to show others how much fun you're having, but it's important that you know how to use these apps safely and securely so that bad things don't happen. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that your personal information stays private, your postings are positive and that your social media use overall is responsible, healthy and most of all enjoyable.

- 1 DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS**  
Make sure that you set your profile to private so that people you don't know can't find you online. Always tell a trusted adult if a stranger or somebody you don't know sends you a message or a friend request.
- 2 NEVER SHARE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW**  
Keep your personal information personal. Sometime people online aren't always who they say they are and might ask you to share things that you don't feel comfortable sharing.
- 3 DON'T SHARE EMBARRASSING PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF OTHERS ONLINE**  
This could really upset them and could get you into a lot of trouble. Always think twice before posting anything on social media and treat people online as you would in real-life.
- 4 NEVER SEND NAKED PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO OTHERS**  
This is illegal if you are under 18 and you could get into trouble with the Police. If you are being pressured by someone, always say no and tell a trusted adult. Even if you think it is innocent fun, the photo could be shared with other people and you won't be able to control who else sees it.
- 5 CREATE A POSITIVE ONLINE REPUTATION**  
Always be kind and polite when posting comments on social media and only upload pictures and videos of things you are proud of. This forms part of your digital footprint. Everything you do online can be tracked and monitored and could affect what people think of you in real-life if it is negative.
- 6 LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME**  
Social media can be addictive, and it is easy to keep checking newsfeeds or your notifications every 5 minutes which can affect your behaviour and stop you from doing other things. Remember to only use your phone at certain times of the day, turn notifications off at bedtime and go out and have as fun as much as possible. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just what's on social media.
- 7 BLOCK ONLINE BULLIES**  
Sometimes people might say nasty things to you online or post offensive comments on your pictures or videos. If this happens, always tell a trusted adult who will help you block them from your profile and support you in taking further action.
- 8 REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**  
If you see something on social media that you don't like, offends you or upsets you, you should always report it to a trusted adult. You should also report it to the social media app who will be able to remove the content if it is against their user policy and can block the person who posted it.
- 9 ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO USE**  
Before downloading any new social media app, always check the age-rating. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain content that isn't safe for you to see.
- 10 ALWAYS SECURE ALL YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES WITH A PASSWORD**  
This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your profiles without your permission. Make sure your passwords are memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share them with your parents just in case you forget them.
- 11 ASK PARENTS TO SET-UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS' FOR SOCIAL MEDIA**  
When you download a social media app, you should always ask a trusted adult to help you set it up for the first time. This will help you control who sees what you post, who can contact you and make sure you are able to enjoy using the app safely and securely.
- 12 ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR TRUSTED ADULT IF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MAKING YOU UNHAPPY**  
Sometimes, social media can make us feel bad about ourselves or sad that we aren't the same as someone else or doing the same things as someone else. Remember, if you ever feel this way, it's really important to talk to your trusted adult(s) like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and discuss your feelings with you to help make you feel better.