

# THE HAMLET HERALD



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### HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

Welcome back to the final term of the year! I do hope that you were able to have a relaxing Easter break. The children have been telling us of all kinds of exciting adventures, both near and further afield. They have definitely returned full of enthusiasm and energy for the busy summer term ahead. I have attached the Key Dates list for you once again. We've added in a Y5 Parent and Carer taster lunch opportunity, as well as the PTA Family Disco! We will also keep you updated of some further Parent and Carer Cafes later on in the term. Dates and details will follow soon.

You may be aware of the recent Department for Education White Paper, and as part of that, the expectation that schools provide a 32.5 hour school week. We already fulfil that requirement. In fact, while our day officially starts at 8:55, with our Covid legacy of allowing the children to come in to their classrooms to start their learning from 8:45, we are enabling an extra 10 minutes to the school day, every day. As such, you will have noticed that teachers are now not out on the playground first thing in the morning. We want the teachers to be in the classroom, facilitating this learning opportunity and hope that you will ensure your children arrive as close to 8:45 each day in order to make the most of this valuable extra time. The Core Leadership Team (myself, Miss Thomson, Mrs Evans and Mr Salomonson) are on the playgrounds each morning to welcome in the children, and can take/pass on day-to-day short messages. You can also, of course, email the office with change of going home arrangements, and catch-up with the teachers at pick-up on the playground as they are dismissing the children each day.

Finally, we emailed details of our Parent and Carer questionnaire yesterday, and thank those of you who have already taken the time to complete it. Your contributions are much appreciated. The deadline is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

### DOODLEVISION



The top three classes with the highest % of being in 'the green zone' this week are:

<b>First place</b> (12 points):	<b>4B</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>Second place</b> (11 points):	<b>3F</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Third place</b> (10 points):	<b>4S</b>	<b>45%</b>



Many congratulations. Keep on Doodling everyone!

### KEY DATES

#### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April

After school clubs start for the summer term

Y4/5/6 Choir perform at the Young Voices concert – O2

#### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April

DHJS cross country event, pm, Griffin field

#### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April

Adrian Barnett (Rainforest Ecologist) talks to all year groups

### STAFF NEWS

We are going to be saying a 'goodbye' to Mr Nummey next Friday as he is moving on to a new job as a Senior Aquatics Coach, not too far away! Mr Nummey joined us as a teaching assistant only this year, and has made a real impact with the children in a short space of time. We wish him all the best as he takes on his new role.

### MUSIC SUCCESS!

A huge congratulations to our 40 Hamleteers who took their ABRSM music examinations (Grades 1-5) before the Easter holiday. These are children who learn an instrument with us at school. Everyone passed and did themselves proud. Practise certainly makes perfect! Thank you to our Music Team for prepping the children so well, and to Miss Campbell for her organisation and commitment for making this extra opportunity happen. It was such a pleasure being able to present the children with their certificates in assembly today. They are very posh (!) and deserve to be treasured.

### WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
45	26	22	27

## Y3 SEPTEMBER ENTRANTS DOCUMENT CHECK

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If you have recently received an offer for your younger child to join us in Y3 this coming September, please tick our 'Document Check' off your to-do list! You will find a set of dates/times (starting next week) within your offer letter, when we are able to receive this information from you. The final date we have set aside for receiving this documentation in order to secure your place is Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

We will then be moving forward with the next stage of the transition process for our new entrants, including gathering information from feeder schools and yourselves. This will support us in forming the new class lists. We will only be contacting families/discussing children with feeder schools who have confirmed places. We have a tight time-frame to work towards, so please prioritise this document check next week (you must still do this even if you already have a sibling at DHJS).

If you are no longer requiring an offered place for September, please inform us of your decision asap. We have some very anxious families on our list who are awaiting patiently for some positive news. Thank you.

## SECONDARY TRANSFER

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We are still waiting on a significant number of Y6 parents to confirm with us what schools your children will be transferring to in September. We are aware that there are still some places to be confirmed following the movement of waiting lists, but as soon as places are finalised, please inform the office by email. Thank you.

## DANGEROUS PARKING

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It has been brought to our attention, again, that a minority of our families are parking/driving in a dangerous manner specifically near the end of Court Lane. We have been told of cars reversing on to pavements, not demonstrating awareness of cyclists, and parking across/blocking the wooden planters.

An important part of our job is to promote and model safe behaviours for our Hamleteers, both within and beyond our school gates. As such, we have alerted our local community police team of this issue. If you wish to get in contact with them directly, you can do so at:

[DulwichVillage.SNT@met.police.uk](mailto:DulwichVillage.SNT@met.police.uk)

## PTA: HAMLET FAMILY DISCO

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We are excited to announce the return of The Hamlet Family Disco on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May at Charter North Dulwich from 6pm - 8pm.

This amazing event cannot run without volunteers so we need your help for it to go ahead, as we can only confirm the venue and sell tickets once we have enough helpers. Please contact the PTA team ASAP to offer your time. This event is lots of fun for the children and always has a great atmosphere so PLEASE get involved! The more helpers we get the shorter the time slots needed, giving you more time to enjoy the night!

You can sign up here <https://bit.ly/discosignup>

OR email [Dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com](mailto:Dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com) letting us know what you're up for and we'll sign you up. Once we have a critical mass of helpers, ticketing info will follow next week.

Thanks for your support as always

Lucinda & Kate PTA Co-Chairs

PS save the date for the Summer Fair, coming up next on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> 12:30-3pm!

## DHJS CROSS COUNTRY EVENT: CAN YOU HELP?

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DHJS is hosting an exciting inter-school cross country event next Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> April. The PTA have been tasked with rallying some volunteers to help with set-up and marshalling from 12pm on the day. The event is due to last for most of the core afternoon. If you are able to come along and help to make it a great event, while cheering on the children too (!) please drop the office an email. Many thanks.

## WATER BOTTLES/FILLING STATIONS

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We have reminded the children in assembly today of the need to bring in a named water bottle every day.

You will be aware that since Covid, we removed our old-style water fountains, and have replaced them with water bottle filling stations, which are far more hygienic.

We have reminded the children that they are not to treat these as water fountains, and must bring in their personal, named bottles, which they can replenish both at break and lunchtime.

## Key Dates for Summer Term 2022

Y3 - 
 Y4 - 
 Y5 - 
 Y6 - 
 Whole School -

Key Dates	Events	Further Details
	<b>Half Term: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
19.04.22	Summer term 1 starts	Normal start time 08.45-08.55
19.04.22	Mexicolore workshop for Y6	Morning – Turney hall
19.04.22	Admissions – Primary National Offer Day (for Y3 September 2022)	Email from Southwark after 17.00
21.04.22	Y6 School Journey meeting for parents and carers	18.00-18.30 – Turney hall
25.04.22	Young Voices Concert at the O2 (Y4-6 Choir)	Final details tbc
28.04.22	Y3-6 DHJ's Cross Country Event	Griffin Field 12.30-15.30
29.04.22	Adrian Barnett (Rainforest Ecologist) delivering talks to Y3-6	Village hall
02.05.22	*Early May Bank Holiday*	All day
03.05.22	Y5 Maths presentation with author and speaker Rob Eastaway	09.45-10.30 – Village hall
03.05.22	Y4 Maths presentation with author and speaker Rob Eastaway	11.15-12.00 – Village hall
08.05.22	PTA Uniform shop open	09:00-09:30 – Turney entrance
09.05.22	Y6 SATs Week	All week
10.05.22	Y5 Trip to Kew Gardens	09.00-15.00
13.05.22	PTA Family Disco	18.00-20.00 TCSND
16.05.22	Y6 School Journey – 16 <sup>th</sup> May – 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Kingswood Green Park Centre
19.05.22	Portals to the Past - Y3 Ancient Greece Day	All day
19.05.22	Y5 Parent and Carer Taster Lunch	11.45-12.45
20.05.22	Trust Dance Festival	Details tbc
20.05.22	PTA Uniform shop open	09:00-09:30 – Turney entrance
23.05.22	Class Photos	All day
25.05.22	3H class assembly – parents invited	9.10-9.30 – Turney hall
25.05.22	Y6 gala dinner and theatre trip	After school/evening – details tbc
	<b>Half Term: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	
05.06.22	Y6 Choir members perform at finale of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations	Details tbc
06.06.22	StaffINSET day	All day
07.06.22	Summer term 2 starts	Normal start time 08.45-08.55
07.06.22	Portals to the Past – Y5 Ancient Egypt Day	All day
10.06.22	Enrichment Programme begins for all children	13.30-15.00
16.06.22	Flautotonic concert	Details tbc
17.06.22	PTA Uniform shop open	09:00-09:30 – Turney entrance
18.06.22	PTA Summer Fair	12.30-15.00
22.06.22	3GR class assembly - parents invited	9.10-9.30 - Turney hall
29.06.22	3F class assembly - parents invited	9.10-9.30 - Turney hall
30.06.22	Kingsdale Music Festival – Ensemble performing tbc	19.00 Kingsdale School
01.07.22	PTA Uniform shop open	09:00-09:30 – Turney entrance
06.07.22	Enrichment celebration assembly	9:00-9:30 – Turney hall
06.07.22	Art Exhibition	17.00-18.30 Burbage
06.07.22	New Parent and Carer Evening (Y3 Intake September 2022)	18.30-19.30 Turney hall
07.07.22	Southwark secondary school transfer day (Y7 Intake 2022)	All day, new Southwark schools
07.07.22	Y4/5 fun swimming gala	Details tbc
08.07.22	New Y3 (September 2022) Induction afternoon	13.30-15.00
11.07.22	Y6 at MCT (Alley's) all day + Performance 1 to school pm	All day
12.07.22	Y6 at MCT (Alley's) all day + Performance 2 to parents	All day (evening performance 19.00-21.00)
15.07.22	PTA Uniform shop open	09:00-09:30 – Turney entrance
18.07.22	Sports morning	Griffin field am
20.07.22	Y6 Leavers' assembly	13.45-15.00 Turney hall
20.07.22	Y6 Leavers' disco	19.00-21.00 Turney hall
21.07.22	Final day of Summer term	Last registration 13.25