

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

We have enjoyed seeing many of you this week. Thank you to all the Y3 parents and carers who joined us for a 'Taster Lunch' yesterday. The children clearly enjoyed sharing their daily lunchtime experience and routines with you. It was lovely to see children and adults engaged in conversation over a plate of warming lasagne! Last night, some of you joined us for an informative 'Anti-Bullying' workshop delivered by Kidscape. Tomorrow, we hope to see as many of you as possible, whatever the weather brings, at our Christmas Fair. The PTA have been working hard to put on a super event for us, all in the name of bringing the community together, while fundraising for the school, and kick-starting the festive period - I'm looking forward to my first mulled wine of the year!

Moving on from parent and carer social and informative events, we have our two parents evenings next week, where we focus collaboratively on our children's learning. Do arrive so that you have time to spend looking over your children's work, as well as that on display in the classrooms and surrounding spaces. I've had the pleasure of doing a 'book look' with every year group in turn over the past week or so with my senior leaders, and I've seen some fabulous pieces of writing that I know you will be impressed by. The meetings are 10 minutes long and teachers will do their best to stick to their timings for you all.

As part of these meetings I have asked the teachers to address any punctuality/attendance issues with yourselves, including alerting you if your child's attendance is hovering near, or is below the 90% mark. You may not be aware of this, but any child hitting 90% or below is considered a Persistent Absentee and we have a duty to discuss this with our Local Authority Single Point of Contact. I met with our SPOC only this week, and was asked to provide all of this information, talking through all reasons for absence. You may be surprised at how few days it is for this mark to be reached, currently standing at 11 sessions of absence. (A session being either morning or afternoon) I would like to bring our [Attendance and Punctuality Policy](#) to your attention, which takes you through why regular attendance is so important, understanding different types of absence and explains our procedures.

As with all school documents available to you on the website, if you should require a hard copy, please contact the Admin Team who will be happy to provide this information for you.

KEY DATES

Saturday 23rd November

PTA Christmas Fair, 12:30-3pm

Wednesday 27th November

Parents Evening

Thursday 28th November

'Chatter Matters' Parent & Carer Café 9-10am, Burbage – FULL
Parents Evening

Sunday 1st December

Dulwich Village Christmas Stocking event, 11-5pm
(DHJS Music Mentors Performing at 4pm opposite school)

DHJS ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This week, Dulwich Hamlet marked anti-bullying week with a range of activities focused around the message 'Change Starts With Us'. On Tuesday, many of our Hamleteers - including teachers - sported odd socks to help celebrate the fact that everyone is different. On Wednesday, we were treated to a show and workshops from OpenView Education, in which children practised making small changes to create a big difference. Following our parent and carer session on Thursday evening, we rounded off the week by launching our brand new Reporting Boxes in assembly this afternoon. These boxes, which are clearly labelled and placed around the school, will allow children to report concerns if they experience or witness bullying. We are sure that this small change will make a big difference for our Hamleteers, giving everyone in the community the confidence to stand up against bullying! Read on to see some of the 'Pledges' made this week by the children.

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
88	82	68	64

SUPPORT OUR CO-OP COMMUNITY FUND

We are delighted that we have been selected to benefit from the next round of the Co-op Local Community Fund, on behalf of the PTA. We are looking to complete our Sensory Garden in an unused area of our grounds behind 3H/3D's classrooms this year, and hope money raised through this fund will support the project. The funding round is now open and closes on 24th October 2020. During this funding phase, Co-op Members are able to choose DHJS as their local cause and we need your support to spread the word! Every time a member buys selected own-brand products and services, they earn a 5% reward for themselves, with a further 1% of the money they spend going to local causes in their community. Anyone can become a member which will cost you £1. You can apply:

- online: by visiting www.coop.co.uk/membership
- by phone: 0800 023 4708
- by picking up a temporary card in one of the Co-op Food Stores

Following joining, Co-op members can choose a cause by going online www.coop.co.uk/membership. We really hope that people will visit the website and choose to support us. Our cause is linked to both the Co-op on Lordship Lane, and on Forest Hill Road. You can follow our progress on our DHJS Profile Page <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/40121>. Thank you in advance for supporting us via this initiative.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

As we near December, our busy Christmas calendar of events kicks-in; there is so much to get involved with and we hope you will come to as many of our events as possible.

Next week you will receive a letter in the book bags inviting you to our **Christmas Celebration** at St. Barnabas. We have two performances: **Tuesday 10th December, 10am and 2pm**. We are able to offer **two tickets per family** to this event.

We also want parents and carers of musicians who are in one of our ensembles (this includes Choir) to save the date for our **Christmas Music Concert**. This is taking place at in the **Vaughan Williams Auditorium at JAGs, Tuesday 17th December at 7pm**. All musicians involved will receive a letter in due course, again offering their families two tickets.

Our **Y6 Music Mentors** are going to be performing their repertoire of carols at the **Dulwich Village Christmas Stocking Event** (see flyer at the end of the HH). This performance takes place on **Sunday 1st December, outside the shops opposite school between 4:00 and 4:20pm**. Do come along and support our young musicians.

ECO COUNCIL

Some of you might have been wondering about who the Eco Councillors are and what they actually do, well I think I can explain that. First of all, how did Eco Councillors become an Eco Councillor? To answer your question, they gave applications to the House Captains who read the applications and decided which people would be the lucky few. You can recognize the Eco Councillors by their shiny green badges. Second, why are the Eco Council doing what they are doing? Well, because of the oceans, the sea is a precious thing and we only have one ocean. By 2050 plastic will outweigh fish in the ocean unless we do something about it. Thirdly, what are we actually doing? The first thing we have done is to organise a litter pick. We have already completed Garnet Earth's litter pick and they have filled a whole bag full of rubbish and that is only a small area of our school. At the end of the year, the House which has done the most work to help the school environment wins quite a few house points! We are hoping to do many more things in the coming weeks. Please also let us know if you have suggestions. *Dela 5G*



HOT OFF THE PRESS! Our Eco-Councillors have all completed the 'Our Healthy Streets: Dulwich' questionnaire on behalf of all Hamleteers which have been returned to Southwark.

STEAM

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

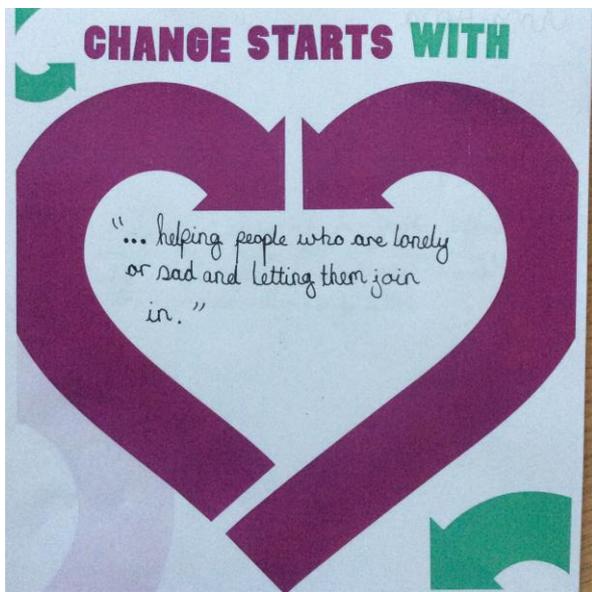
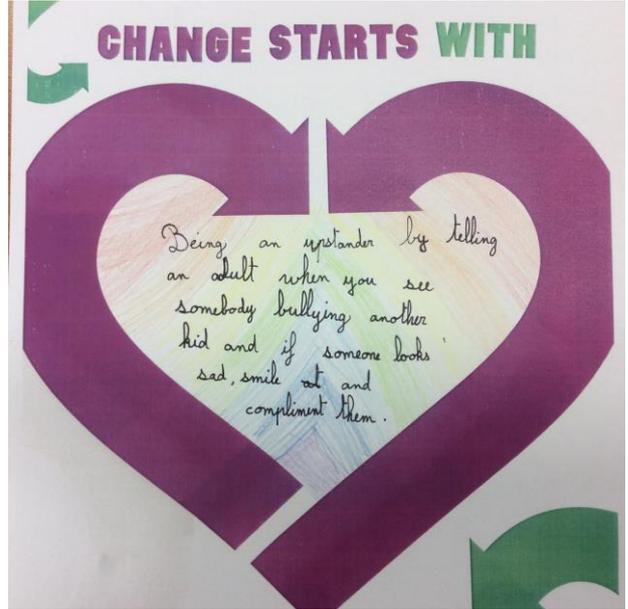
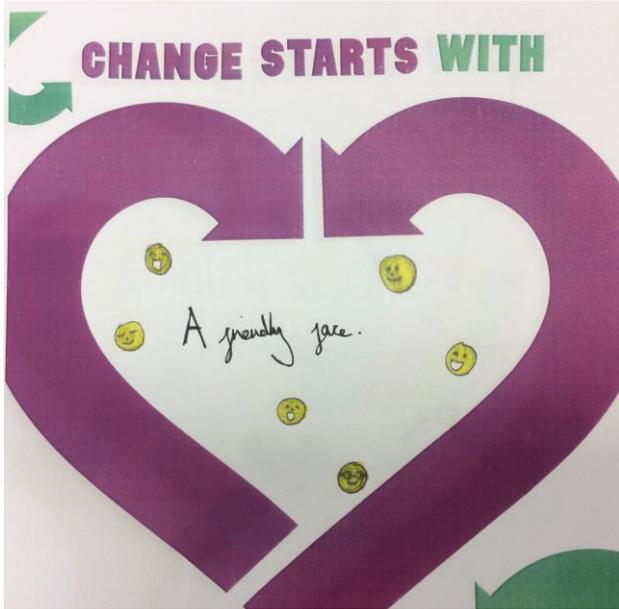
Why do trees lose their leaves in Autumn?



Deadline: **Monday 2nd December**

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

DHJS ANTI-BULLYING WEEK





DULWICH VILLAGE

FREE EVENT

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CHRISTMAS STOCKING

FREE EVENT

FUN ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL OFFERS

SUN 1ST DECEMBER
11AM-5PM

- 1 **Copper Beech Café**
(This is outside St Barnabas Parish Hall)
We're offering free balloons, mini hot chocolates and smoothies following Nutty's Super Heroes for Christmas' Adventure Party Show at St Barnabas Parish Hall (Free tickets for the performance must be pre-booked on Eventbrite).
- 2 **Roast Chestnut Stall**
Warm up with traditional roast chestnuts, fundraising for local charities Link Age Southwark and Kingfishers.
- 3 **JAGS Sports Club**
Get fit with a friend! We're giving away 20 pairs of guest passes to the Club. Collect from the Information Tent, first come first served.
- 4 **The Art Stationers & Green's Village Toyshop**
Get ready for Christmas with 15% off all Christmas cards and children's stocking files.
- 5 **Harvey & Wheeler**
Take a peek inside our Victorian Doll's House and have a glass of wine and nibbles on us!
- 6 **D Village Café**
Enjoy a traditional Portuguese treat with a free tasting of our Pastel de Nata! We'll also be serving hot chocolate, mulled wine and homemade cakes.
- 7 **Biff**
Come and win a mystery prize in our Superhero Lucky Dip. We're also offering 15% off all clothes and accessories.
- 8 **Kinleigh Folkard & Hayward**
Guess the cuddly toy's name for 50p (the winner takes it home) and try your luck in our champagne and chocolates raffle. We're fundraising for Mary's Meals who provide school meals to children in some of the world's poorest countries. Drinks and nibbles on the house!
- 9 **Jigsaw**
Enter our Prize Draw and enjoy a glass of fizz while you browse.
- 10 **Au Ciel**
Come for a free tasting of our Christmas chocolates – and we'll have all our usual goodies if you need to warm up with a hot chocolate.
- 11 **Aqua**
Treat yourself or a friend to a special gift or a new outfit with 15% off.
- 12 **Knight Frank**
Come and enjoy mince pies and mulled wine on the house.
- 13 **Village Books**
We'll be serving prosecco and mince pies, and children can join in our special Christmas storytelling upstairs. Have a free dip in our mystery proof copy bin and get 15% off all books and stationery.
- 14 **Crown & Greyhound**
Come and meet someone very special at Santa's Grotto 12-4pm. We'll be serving pulled pork and mulled cider and offering free drinks tastings too! Live music 5-6pm to round off the day's festivities.
- 15 **Dulwich Vintners**
Come to our special free Christmas wine tasting and enjoy expert advice on your Christmas season wines!
- 16 **Tomlinsons**
Kids are invited to come and paint their very own Christmas decoration to take home.
- 17 **Romeo Jones**
Mulled wine on the house all day!
- 18 **Jane Newbery**
Bring your children and dog! Slade Art School students will draw their portrait. £25. Pre-booking is advised – email janehole@janenewbery.co.uk
- 19 **SimplyFresh**
The Christmas countdown starts today! Come and get your free Advent Calendar (first come first served) and a mince pie.
- 20 **Dulwich Picture Gallery**
(Gallery Road, SE21 7AD)
Bring the family - free entry on the day to the Gallery's collection with this leaflet (one leaflet required per family) – offer not valid for the temporary exhibition. Also come and have fun at our Free Art Sundays family art session any time between 2pm and 4pm.
Come down, join in and enjoy the day!

