

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

Our Hamleteers have been fortunate to receive a series of special 'careers' themed assemblies this week, with huge thanks to Ms Gorbutt Rice for organising. Through the wonders of technology, Tash called in from Spain to explain all about working for a humanitarian aid organisation. We then listened to Dami in Berlin, who talked about the wonders of being a molecular biologist. Sophia, who joined us in person, spoke about being a barrister, and running a model agency. Finally, Lilly came in and gave us an overview of her career journey. She retrained as a coder after working in exhibitions, and now works as part of the digital team for a gallery. Our speakers were all truly inspirational, giving our Hamleteers 'food for thought' for their own future careers.

I'm looking forward to our Summer Fair tomorrow, which always incorporates my first Pimms of the year! We have our Steel Pan ensembles kicking off the event from 12:30pm, with lots of stalls and activities to get involved in. Together with the Christmas Fair, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please come along and support the PTA who have worked so hard behind the scenes to rally you all and organise this incredible event on behalf of our Hamlet community.

PLEASE SEE LETTER SENT VIA EMAIL YESTERDAY FOR CHANGES TO DATES AFFECTED BY THE NEU INDUSTRIAL STRIKE ACTION: WEDNESDAY 5th JULY & FRIDAY 7th JULY

DOODLEVISION AND TTRS

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

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| First place (12 points): | 4S | 33% |
| Second place (11 points): | 3BF | 27% |
| Third place (10 points): | 5TS | 26% |

Please keep on Doodling everyone!

Congratulations to 4G: You are TTRS winners of the week with 53%

Rock on 4G!!!



KEY DATES

Saturday 24th June

PTA Summer Fair 12:30-3pm

Monday 26th June

INSET DAY – school closed to all children

Thursday 29th June

International Fair with DVIS, 3:30-5pm

Friday 30th June

Y5 visit to the South London Liberal Synagogue
Joint Y3/Y2 DVIS breaktime



SUMMER FAIR IS TOMORROW!



Come along for some fun in the sun 12:30-3pm, Saturday!!!

Bouncy inflatables, refreshing bubble tea and slushies, games, lucky dip, sweet stall and of course our RAFFLE. Click on this [link](#) for the QR code to purchase raffle tickets, which you can also find on the gates and in your WhatsApp groups. Thank you for all your wonderful donations.

Please make a final check in your class groups for volunteering to ensure all slots are covered.

Please refrain from bringing balls into the school to ensure no breakages, and a reminder that there is a no dogs on the school site policy.

Big 'shout out' to Ade for covering our school with colourful bunting to get us all in the fair spirit!

See you tomorrow. The PTA Team.



WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

| Topaz Water | Ruby Fire | Garnet Earth | Sapphire Air |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | |
| 110 | 91 | 74 | 62 |

CURRICULUM SPECIAL: MUSIC – the glittery extra bits!

The children at Dulwich Hamlet are lucky enough to encounter music pretty much every day! Teachers select recorded tracks for them to listen to in the classroom during moments of reflection, assemblies and other curriculum areas like during Art activities and when they become Times Table Rockstars. Each class has a 30-minute singing lesson and 45-minute curriculum Music lessons each week, where they gain a firm understanding of what music is through listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing, and composing (see a previous [Hamlet Herald Special](#) for a taste of this).

But in addition to all of this, we also have an amazing extra-curricular offering that all of our Hamleteers are exposed to:

Instrumental Music Lessons

While many of our children take up an instrument outside of school, we provide the opportunity for them to learn from a wide range of string, brass and woodwind instruments in small groups with our fantastic team of peripatetic tutors. Approximately three-quarters of our pupils are learning a musical instrument in school. We treat these lessons seriously and encourage children to continue with their instrument for their whole time at Dulwich Hamlet – even when things get hard and they get the opportunity to practise their resilience skills. This is ultimately more satisfying than always being a beginner and having to start again each time. To apply for your child to take up lessons in any of these instruments, please fill out the application [here](#) and return to the school office. Printed copies are available in the Reception area.

Choir and Ensembles

All children are welcome to participate in choir sessions without an audition. Children can come to as many or few sessions as they like but will only be selected for performances if they attend regularly.

We have a wide range of instrumental ensembles and many of our instrumentalists are invited to join these when their tutors feel they are ready. Rehearsals take place before or after school as well as during lunchtimes. Most of our ensembles are free of charge for pupils, therefore children are expected to show integrity by committing to attending the rehearsals. If children learn an instrument outside school they can be part of an ensemble from year 4 onwards. Please [contact Miss Campbell](#) if this is something you feel would be suitable for your child.

Children have the opportunity to join a steel pan ensemble in Y4-6. In Year 4 they can be part of a one-term taster group and in Y5-6 they commit to a group either after school or rotating between lunchtime and afternoon lessons on a Wednesday for the year. To put your child on the waiting list for this, please fill in [this form](#) and return to the school office. We also have a Parent and Carer group who perform at the fairs alongside the children (and still has a few spaces left, *hint, hint!*)

"The Firebird was so fun – I want to go again!"

"I was really proud when I played my instrument in assembly. It was scary but it was worth it."

Year 3

"Young Voices (concert) was the best day of my life! "

"I like my instrument. It wasn't what I thought I wanted so it was good to try some."

Year 4

What the children say

"I like playing steel pans because you don't realise how good a piece of metal can sound."

"My music exam wasn't as much pressure as I thought it would be."

Year 5

"The opportunities are great. There is something for everyone even if you don't learn an instrument."

"Mr Ewens plays in a band for a musical? I didn't know we knew a celebrity!"

Year 6

Performance Opportunities

The children all work hard on learning their songs and pieces that they really find enjoyment in sharing with others. All children present their singing together during our weekly Celebration Assemblies as well as the more public performances such as class assemblies and Christmas shows. The Year 6s put on a full-length musical theatre production in their final term. Children who learn an instrument have many opportunities to play for the school as they are coming into and leaving assemblies.

Committed members of the choir and instrumental ensembles have a variety of performance opportunities throughout the year. Regular features are our Summer and Christmas concerts as well as the PTA fairs and we are repeatedly invited to perform at local events alongside other local schools like trust events and occasions like the Kingsdale and Dulwich Festivals. We also provide the children with opportunities to perform at a number of highly regarded events like [Young Voices Concert](#) at the O2, the [Totally Thames Festival](#) in The Scoop, Watercity Festival at the Tower of London, the Primary Proms at the Royal Albert Hall and last year some of our children even sang at the beginning of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Pageant!

Audience Opportunities

As we aim to inspire the children to feel that music is for everyone, we like to expose them to a variety of musicians, instruments and styles of music and therefore try to provide them with as many opportunities to see live musicians playing their instruments as possible. They learn respectful behaviours around audience etiquette as well as to appreciate their peers during the assembly performances, our music tutors take the opportunity every year to showcase their skills as talented musicians in front of the children and we regularly invite other guests to come in and play.

Living in London has so many advantages, including the vast wealth of live theatre and concert halls. Although visiting these is something that many of our families are able to experience together, we ensure that all children get the chance to visit a genuine working venue at least once in their time at DHJS so they can see an actual professional performance.

We would be delighted to have any of our parents and carers come in and play for some/all of the children if you would be interested in sharing your music with us! This could be for as little as a few minutes or a longer session for your child's class or year group – or even a full assembly. Please do get in touch!



Watching London Philhamonic Orchestra



Tutors performing in Assembly



Music Mentors playing Christmas Carols



Year 6 Production @ Alleyn's MCT



Steel Pans at the PTA Fair



Young Voices Concert



Singing at the Platinum Jubilee Pageant



Topic-Enriching Musical Guests



Performing at Kingsdale Festival



Dulwich Hamlet Junior School and Dulwich Village Infant School

International Afternoon Thursday 29th June 3.30-5pm

Francis (DVIS) and Village (DHJS) playgrounds

Important information for parents and carers

Both schools will be setting up for the afternoon in the two playgrounds; parents and carers will therefore not be allowed through to collect in the usual way. Please read the information below regarding dismissal at the end of the day, after school clubs, after school care and entry to the event.

Dismissal at the end of the school day

- **All** children in Year 2 DVIS Picasso and Bowling will be dismissed from the front of Francis Building (the Meadow) and Hepworth will be dismissed from the Reception of Francis Building.
- **All children at DHJS will be dismissed from Turney Playground. Exit is via Turney gate only.**
- **NO children will be dismissed from Village** or Francis playgrounds

After school care

- Both schools will operate their after-school care as usual. *Please note children may only attend the event if they are accompanied by an adult.*
- If your child does not need a place at after school day on Thursday 29th please let the schools know in advance.

After school clubs

DHJS: Girls football is cancelled. Capoeira is cancelled (some Capoeira students are involved in the Capoeira display). All other Thursday clubs will run until 4.15pm. All clubs will be dismissed from Turney gate. No exit via Village.

DVIS: All after school clubs are cancelled however the clubs will run an extra week (tbc).

Entry to the event

- You are welcome to enter the event via the DVIS Francis gate, Turney Road, or via the from entrance to DHJS
- Entrance is with a passport only. Please note each person needs a passport to enter (as per our original letter dated 16th May)
- Last day for purchasing passports is Monday 26th June. Please note we cannot accept cash and we can't issue passports on the day.

Timetable of events

- 3.45pm a choir from both schools will perform, in Francis playground, songs from around the World
- 4.15pm Capoeira display Village playground
- 4.40pm Cultural dress parade. Children and adults are invited to wear traditional or cultural dress from anywhere in the World

Food

We are extremely grateful to all the parents, carers and members of the local community who will be donating food. We are mindful that we have children in both schools with food intolerances and allergies. Some foods from around the World do contain nuts, gluten, fruit etc. We have asked for ingredients to be displayed but please do ask the stall provider if you have any food intolerances or allergies.

First Aid

There will be a First Aid base in the admin building Village Playground (DHJS). Please note we can only offer basic First Aid.

Lost children

There will be a base in either playground marked 'lost children'. If we discover a lost child we will take them there. If you lose a child make your way to one of the bases.

Toilets

Children may use the toilets in the Village building, Village playground. Adults will need to use the toilet in the admin area for DHJS.





DULWICH HAMLET PTA

SUMMER

Fair

SATURDAY | **12.30**
24TH JUNE | **to 3pm**

Kindly sponsored by  **Knight Frank**



DHJS PTA SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE

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Massage with Carly Greenway Physiotherapy
Cheese Platter from Heritage Cheese
Madelina Cafe £40 Voucher
Piano or Guitar Lesson with Waka Hasegawa
Two T-shirts from Mac & Miller
Paul Smith socks from Meet Bernard
Lordship Dry Cleaners £20 Voucher
Village Books Signed Children's Book
Zebra Print Pyjamas (XS) from Anorak
Half Case of Lalthwaites Wine
Porters Barber Gift Voucher
2 Personal Training Sessions with Gokay Fitness

Rocca Meal and Wine for 2
Roger Pope & Partners Opticians Rayban Sunglasses
Oru Space 1 month Unlimited Wellness
Redemption Roasters Coffee & Coffee Beans Vouchers
5 Baby Stick Insects bred by Fred Holopf + Enclosure
Gift Basket from AJ Farmer
Sweaty Betty £20 Privilege Note
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Disney Crossbody Bag, Mug & Volcano Kit
Pet Portrait by Matthew Skipworth
30% discount from Through the Trees
Just Williams £20 Voucher
South Facing Festival 8 Pairs of Concert Tickets

Plus a pair of South Facing Festival tickets to each of the following

28 JUL | Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds

30 JUL | Raver Tots (1 adult & 1 child)

04 AUG | Primal Scream & Jesus and Mary Chain

05 AUG | Rudimental Live

06 AUG | Sister Sledge

11 AUG | James & Happy Mondays

12 AUG | First Aid Kit

13 AUG | Craig David

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Summer Workshops

Monday 10th July - Friday 25th August 2023

9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

This Summer we'll be exploring where the ocean meets the sky! There will be flying fish and diving birds, Aeroplanes and boats, we'll be inspired by the wonderful Fan brother's book 'Ocean Meets Sky' as well as contemporary artists. Join us on this epic adventure as we make...

Hew Locke Flying Boats, Wonderful Whales, Spectacular Submarines, Beautiful Birds, Terrific Tropical Fish, Marvellous Moons, Wobbly Jellyfish, Sublime Sea Shells, Divine Cloud Drawings ... Ooooh and all the usual Fun & Games!

Your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories. We'll be learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as printing, papier maché and casting. Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

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5% discount off full 5 day week

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Booking is for a minimum of 2 (preferably) consecutive days

Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!

For any more information please email or call us:

020 8675 7055 john@artyparty.co.uk

WHERE TO FIND US...

Wimbledon: The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD - 10th July - 25th Aug

Balham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 24th July - 25th Aug

Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 24th July - 18th Aug

Clapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX - 24th July - 25th Aug

Blackheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL - 31st July - 25th Aug

Dulwich: Dulwich Hamlet school, Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL - 24th July - 18th Aug



Book Now!