

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

Reaching the end of this half-term feels like a major milestone and achievement for us all at this time. While so much of what we have been doing is just the 'normal', I have to keep reminding myself that there is much more that couldn't be further from normal – particularly from an operational/logistical perspective. I want to thank all of the DHJS team for their exceptional contributions this half-term. I appreciate their day-to-day flexibility, willingness to 'muck-in', and for generally going over and above to make the school feel safe, while providing the children with some terrific learning opportunities. We look forward to what Autumn 2 will bring for us all...!

Wishing you all a super half-term break.

VALUES CERTIFICATES

Every Friday, in our weekly Celebration Assembly, each teacher nominates a member of their class who has demonstrated one of our Values in action. We enjoy hearing the varied reasons as to why they have been specifically chosen. This half-term we have congratulated:

RESILIENCE

Y3: Charys 3H, Hattie & Alex 3GR
Y4: Peggy 4B, Rex 4O, Millie, Jackson & Elsie 4S
Y5: Anna 5TS, Joe, Georgia & Maxi 5P
Y6: Beatrice & Noah 6SP, Peeps 6N & Amber 6S,

RESPECT

Y3: Fox & Luca 3H, Shanique & Owura 3GR, Nina, Oscar & William 3D
Y4: Ella 4B, Farrah, Zac & Tom 4O, Jacob 4S
Y5: Bea, Valentina, Liana & Max 5G, Betty 5TS & Sophia 5P
Y6: Jeremiah & Max M 6SP, Alfie & Hana, Alice 6N

INTEGRITY

Y3: Ronnie 3H, Fred 3GR, Sophia & Miri 3D
Y4: Benjamin 4B, Charles 4O & Angus 4S
Y5: Aoife & Manny 5TS, Kara 5P
Y6: Beatrice & Ned 6SP, Kurt 6S, Dela & Nathan 6N

ENJOYMENT

Y3: Scarlett & Coleman 3H, Sofia & Nicolas 3D, Magnus 3GR
Y4: Jacob, Juno 4B & Emma 4B, Molly 4O, Liv 4S
Y5: Amelia 5G, LilyRose 5TS & Farah 5P
Y6: Emily 6SP, Matilda & Leyla 6S, Esme & Micah 6N

KEY DATES

Saturday 31st October

PTA Halloween Fun Run Dulwich Park from 2pm

<https://buytickets.at/dulwichhamletjuniorschoolpta/435565>

Monday 2nd November

INSET Day – school closed to children

Tuesday 3rd November

Autumn 2 term begins

Wednesday 4th November

Freshwater Theatre 'Windrush' workshops for Y3

Friday 6th November

Individual school photographs

PTA uniform shop open 9-10am

PTA 'Bake Off' event (please read on for more detail)

SECONDARY TRANSFER

Please do not forget that Saturday 31st October is the absolute deadline for submitting your secondary transfer application online. If you haven't done so already, please take the half-term break to complete this important job. Any applications received after the deadline are treated as late applications: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>

Y6 parents and carers: for guidance and support with this process, please refer back to our email from earlier this week and view our Secondary Transfer presentation and 'Quick Guide' notes.

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
			
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ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES

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

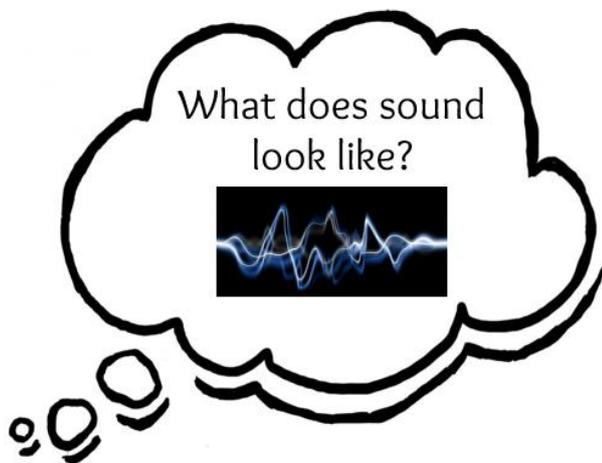
3H Lucia, Breyella, Vaughn, Elisabeth, Sam, Wilfred & Molly
3D Charlotte, Hughie, Lily, Iona, Atlas, Leo & Mariam
3GR Hannah, Max, Camilo, James, Hefsiba, Cillian & Dilan
4B Sienna, Augie, Saul, Nyola, Kyle, Ronin, Gus & Benjamin
4O Oliver A, Barney, Emilia, Oliver L, Finlay, Edward & Niamh
4S Joshua, Bea, Emily R, George, Eden, Theo & Dylan
5P Ace, Amelia, Dax, Marina, Farley & Walker
5TS Clara, Nathan, Alice, Tilly, Abby, Shakiel, Freddie, Hugo & Simran
5G Noah, Dulcie, Felix, Deklan & Vanessa
6S Aamir, James, Stan, Mahdi, Tiffany, Tobin & Eric
6N Max, Lucien, Coco, Peeps, Arthur & Ava
6SP Freddie, Emmanuel, Stanley, Otto, Jack, Constance, Gabriel & Edith

STEAM QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Don't forget that our STEAM Question of the Month deadline is Thursday 5th November. When you have time, half term is a brilliant time to complete some scientific research, get curious and get creative! Please hand any entries into your class teacher or to Miss Harris. Our winners will be announced in our Achievement Assembly on Friday 6th November.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

Your child will be bringing home a Christmas card design today for you to view, and an accompanying letter providing you with full instructions. This is an easy way to raise funds for the school and share your child's art work with family and friends over the festive period. If you are going to take-up this opportunity, please read the information carefully and **return your child's art work to school, in the plastic wallet provided, on the first day back after the half-term break: Tuesday 3rd November.** We then send the designs to the company ready for production. Unfortunately, we will not be able to process any further requests after this date. In the meantime, you can start placing your orders from now! Visit the *Arts Projects for Schools* website: apfsorders.co.uk and enter your child's details and code. We cannot place orders on your behalf. Please note, the **deadline for placing orders is also Tuesday 3rd November.** Apologies, as we appreciate with the break in the middle, that this is a very tight turn around.

OUR LEARNING GRIDS

Please check the book bag for your Autumn 2 'Our Learning Grid', which has also been emailed to you for ease with the links. For reference: we place these on the website under the Our School → Curriculum → Our Learning pathway.

CHILD CARE VOUCHERS

A little reminder that Child Care vouchers can only be used for out of school hours child care. As such, we're afraid that we cannot accept them for payments towards items such as Voluntary Contribution, music lessons, or the recent book sale following our author visit.

For your information, our account is up and running for parents and carers to pay through the government tax free childcare account. Please follow this link for more information:

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

ALICE – OUR LOLLIPOP LADY

You may be aware that there is a collection for our long standing and much-loved lollipop lady – Alice Hayes. Collectively, the parents of DVIS and the Hamlet have set-up a collection to offer her and her family some support at a particularly difficult time. Please follow this link for further information:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/lollipopladyalice>

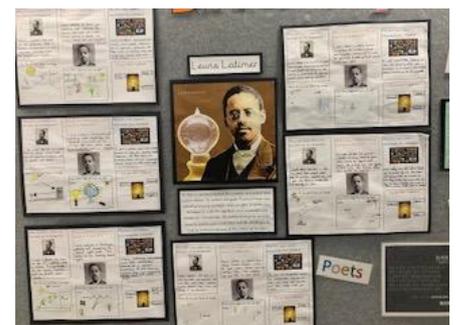
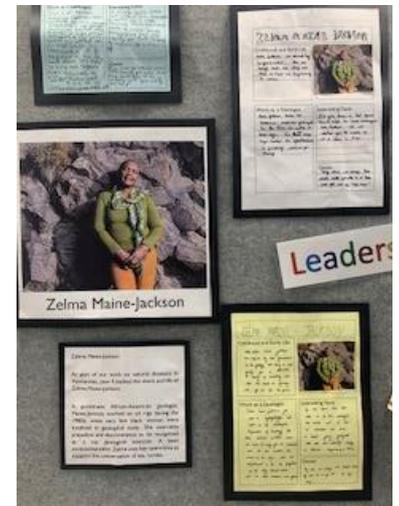
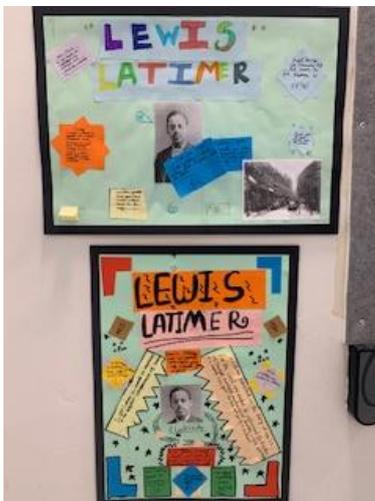
A CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY

During the month of October, through our curriculum, we have had a specific focus on key figures in Black history and have learnt so much about their incredible legacies.

Each year group has produced a short film, detailing their learning and outcomes. We enjoyed watching these in assembly today. Here are the links for you to enjoy too:

- Y3 BHM Video - <https://youtu.be/RkHCKhigrPg>
- Y4 BHM Video - <https://youtu.be/4Ryt4DAm4v4>
- Y5 BHM Video - https://youtu.be/Ok86_fd5OWM
- Y6 BHM Video - <https://youtu.be/v3Gc4UFeUEA>

However, our learning doesn't stop here. We continue on our journey to find out and discover more. Thank you to our parents who have offered their time and resources to come and work with us after half-term.

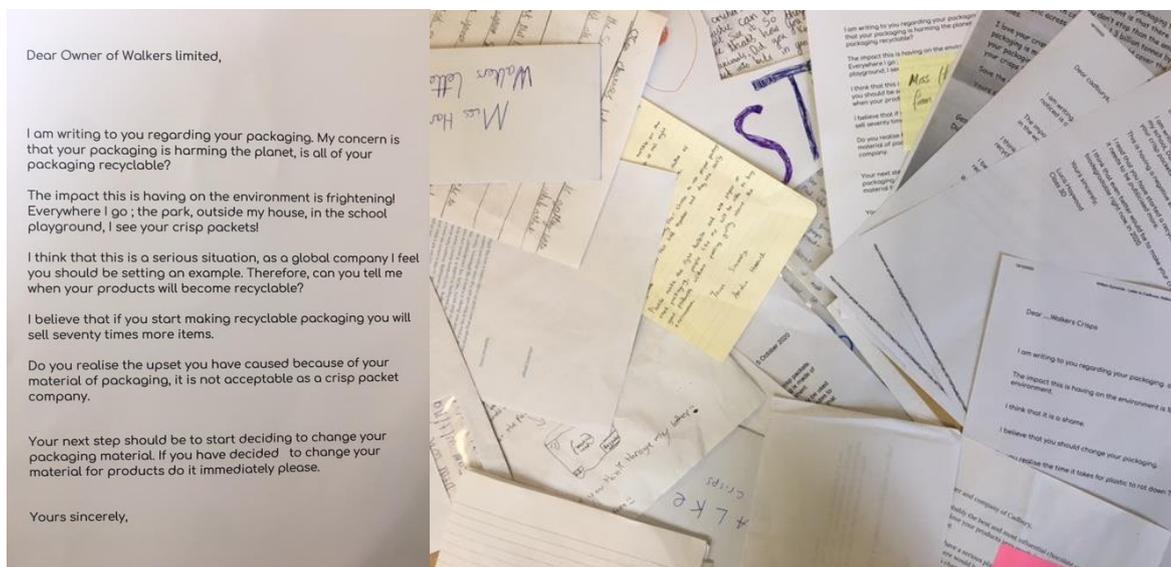


ECO COUNCIL UPDATE

We have been inundated with nearly 100 letters, written to Cadbury, Tyrrell Crisps and Walker Crisp companies, asking them to reduce their plastic waste and to use more environmentally friendly packaging for their products. In the letters, children across the school have explained their passion for the subject, utilised their impressive persuasive writing skills and demonstrated creative problem solving in this task. This project has contributed towards our work with *Surfers Against Sewage* in which we are going to remove 3 plastic items from our school and achieve our 'Plastic Free School' award. Currently, we are focusing on our second to last objective: challenging industries. We will send the letters to these companies and hope for a response and a change.

Our Eco Council members have also drawn up a petition to help challenge these industries. Please sign it to help us gain momentum and make the changes we want to see for the better!

<http://chnng.it/j2547drR>



Get Cadbury's, Walker's and Tyrrells to use environmentally friendly packaging



Beth Harris started this petition to Cadbury and 2 others

Written by the Eco Council of Dulwich Hamlet Junior School:

Regarding companies like, Tyrrell Crisps, Cadbury and Walker Crisps changing their packaging so it is more eco friendly.

Companies like Tyrrells, Cadbury and Walkers have been having a huge impact on the environment with their packaging. We are mainly talking about these companies as they are very popular. These companies had the most litter in our school playground. If they changed their packaging so it was recyclable like Pringles it

1 has signed. Let's get to 100!



Cadbury: Get Cadbury's, Walker's and Tyrrells to use...

Share on Facebook

Send a Facebook message

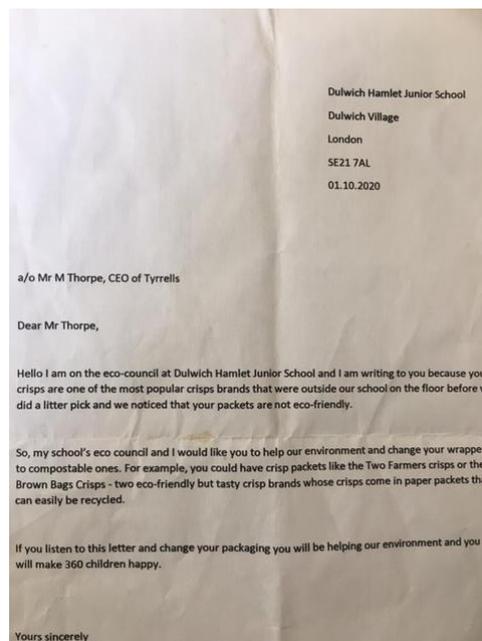
Send an email to friends

Tweet to your followers

Copy link

Show this petition to more potential supporters

Promote this petition



**EVENTS:**

Virtual Family Quiz: Thank you Cat for another excellent quiz. We raised £930.00! We hope you had fun and thank you for participating. The winner was the Talbots (Henry (Yr4), big sister Ella and parents Liz and Paul) with a whopping 74 points.



Halloween Fun Run: Buy Tickets Now: £15/family on ticket tailor

<https://buytickets.at/dulwichhamletjuniorschoolpta/435565>. Deadline for booking is October 27th as we need to organise groups by time slots to manage Covid restrictions.

Date to run: **Saturday October 31st**, from 2:00pm. You will receive an email with your start time slot. Children will have a great time running in their costumes and collecting sweets along the way with prizes to be won at the finish. The event has been approved and licensed by Southwark Council and Covid measures are in place. For more details or to help on the day (we need 2 first aiders) email dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com



Bake off - Friday November 6th: Get baking your most extraordinary 'Firework themed' cake. Cakes should be handed in on November 6th at the school gates 8:30-9am at drop off. Please add your name, class and two lines about the cake (ingredients and decoration) on the cake tin. The best cake will be announced in the Hamlet Herald. To enter the competition please donate £5/family via the Covid Fund <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/covid-fund> - please add to the donation message 'Bake Off'.



Covid Fund: If you don't have time to bake you can just donate to help us support the school with extra expenses incurred as a result of Covid measures. I know I speak for all of us when I say how much we appreciate the staff at the Hamlet keeping our children in education and in good health. <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/covid-fund>

PTA Membership: Please see the school website for class reps and committee members.

Note: vacancies for Chair, class reps for 3H and 3D - please email me on dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com and tell me of your interest.

Remember, class reps can be shared amongst a few volunteers.

Amazon Smile

Simply shop at smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1050815-0 or with AmazonSmile 'ON' in the Amazon Shopping app, and AmazonSmile donates to Dulwich Hamlet Parent Teachers Association. Add Dulwich Hamlet PTA as your chosen charity. It is so easy.

Philippa and Gillian Co-Chairs DHJS PTA