

# THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

I am delighted that we have been awarded £5000 from the 2018/19 Southwark Cleaner Greener Safer Fund. Many thanks to Cllrs Jane Lyons and Michael Mitchell for supporting our application. Together with the incredible fundraising from our PTA, this means we can progress in developing 'Pickwick Courtyard', our outside extension to the library. We'll be sharing our plans with you after half-term.

Although the turn of the New Year is perhaps a distant memory, it's never too late to make some new resolutions. Keep reading for some ideas of online safety resolutions you could make as a family in 2018 – some sound advice from the UK Safer Internet Centre.

## MOTHER'S DAY PORTRAIT COMPETITION

Dulwich Trader, Tomlinson and Ed have launched their annual Mothers' Day competition for local schools. We've had some great entries in the past, and we're hoping your children will do the same again this year. The information is displayed in classrooms and around the school but in brief:

- Portraits need to be of a mother or special person
- No restrictions on medium but they need to be bright & bold
- Portrait has to be A3 size
- Entries need to be in school by Tuesday 20th February
- Winners and runners-up will be displayed in shop windows

Please write the following on the **back** of the entry:

Name, School, Year, Class and competition number  
(Year 3 competition no. 5, Years 4-6 competition no.6)

Please leave entries with the office.

## HOUSE POINT COLLECTION

Great news! We have changed the way we collect our house points. You now get given a token in the colour of your House which you put in a box in either the library, Village Hall or Turney Hall. At the end of the week the House Captains count up the tokens to see which House has won. It's made a big difference to the usual results!

**Isabel (Sapphire Air) & Kate (Ruby Fire) Captains**

## KEY DATES

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January

Whole school assembly with William and Ricardo from St. Barnabas Church

Choir perform as part of the Young Voices Choir at the O2

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

4G class assembly – parents welcome. 9:10am Turney Hall

Y4 Polar Explorers Day

'Celebration of Orchestral Playing' for group of Y5 musicians at the Royal Festival Hall

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

Y6 Height and weight measurements

## PARENTPAY

95% of our ParentPay accounts have now been activated which is a great leap forward in our plans to go cashless. The office no longer accepts cheques as payment and soon hopes to be totally cashless. It would be gratefully appreciated if those of you that have not activated accounts do so as soon as possible. Those with siblings who have an active account can add others to this existing account. (We are aware that some secondary schools utilising ParentPay will ask you to activate the account or the child will miss out any activity run by the school...!) Let's see if we can achieve 100% activation by the end of this academic year.

The office holds copies of the ParentPay activation letters if you need a further copy.

## WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
			
145	105	144	125

### **Setting online safety resolutions with your family**



#### **Have an open and honest conversation:**

The easiest way to get involved with your children's online lives is through discussion. You might like to start by asking them about what they enjoy doing online, or take a look at [our conversation starters](#) to help you start a discussion. However you choose to do it, resolving to talk with your children regularly about their internet use is a fantastic way to help keep them safe online in 2018.

#### **Create a family agreement:**

This is a great way to think about your internet use as a family and to help make sure that everybody understands the importance of staying safe and positive online. Take a look at our [free family agreement template](#) and [guidance](#) to come up with an agreement that works for you and your family.

#### **Take a look at your accounts, whether gaming, social media or email:**

This is a really practical resolution that might help start a conversation with your children about their [digital footprint](#). By taking a look at accounts, you can check your privacy and security settings and review what each member of your family has shared online in 2017 (or even further back!) and whether you're happy for it to stay there. You could also consider whether you're still using old accounts and think about [deleting or deactivating](#) any that you don't use anymore.

#### **Play and use the internet together:**

The internet has lots of exciting things to see and do – why not resolve to spend some time as a family exploring the online world together? You could play some of your child's favourite games or research a topic you both find interesting. This is a great opportunity to make sure that everyone is aware of the safety features offered on different games or to talk about what information we can trust online.

#### **Know how to report and block:**

There are lots of really useful tools online to help you deal with behaviour or content that is upsetting, and it is important that you as a parent know where to go to if your child needs help reporting or blocking online. For 2018 a good resolution might be to look at the different options for [reporting and blocking](#) available on the sites your family use and to make sure that everybody understands them and feels confident using them. More information about reporting can be found on our [social media guide](#), these have guidance about a range of sites including Snapchat, Instagram and MovieStarPlanet.

#### **Get involved with Safer Internet Day 2018!**

Last but not least, why not resolve to get involved with [Safer Internet Day 2018](#). Coming up on the 6th February, Safer Internet Day will be celebrated globally and this year is focussing on the theme 'Create, connect and share respect: a better internet starts with you'. You can [register as a supporter of the day](#) or [download some of the free resources and videos](#) made especially for parents and carers to use on the day.