

THE HAMLET HERALD



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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

The theme for my assembly at the beginning of the week was 'Get Involved' – and our Hamleteers certainly have! From Top Trump 'Season', to starting to plan entries for our Easter Egg competition, to sending in donations for The Albrighton Fridge, everyone has been getting stuck-in. You have also been engaged in meetings with your child's class teacher, with the final meetings taking place next week.

After the Easter break I am going to be setting-up a virtual PTA meeting (date tbc) with the aim of 're-grouping' and planning a way forward. We are yet to find a new Chair/Co Chairs, and need to fill these roles urgently. Did you know that the PTA has donated over £16k to the school this year? This is a phenomenal sum of money and has made such a difference. I mentioned the 60 new Chromebooks last week, but the PTA have also paid for Hue cameras, art resources, a steady stream of new books keeping our library 'fresh', as well as outdoor play equipment, enjoyed by the children every break and lunchtime. Please do spread the word and get involved where you can. This is your PTA, and it's future and success depends on your support.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed their Top Trump 'Season' this week, and I have now been put under pressure to allow a Marble 'Season'! With their incredible attitudes to learning and behaviours since our full return, the children certainly deserve this reward. As such, Marble Season will run from Monday-Wednesday next week. To keep things running smoothly, we share a simple set of rules with the children:

- Only bring in enough marbles that can fit into a small container that will sensibly fit in trays in the classroom
- Only bring in marbles that you don't mind losing! (keep the bestest/special ones for home)
- No swapping
- Rules for games are established and adhered to
- You can play to win

We have explained all of this to the children in assembly today, and hope that they are going to enjoy a few days of marble fun!

KEY DATES

W/c 26th March

Parent & Carer Meetings continued – various times/days
Marble 'Season' starts, through to Wednesday 28th March

Thursday 29th March

DHJS Easter Egg Competition
Final day of Spring term – usual finish times: 3:15pm/3:30pm

School returns from Easter break: Monday 19th April

NO INSET DAY

A HUGE 'THANK YOU'!

We must have nearing 100 Easter eggs, donated by you, which we are looking forward to handing over to The Albrighton Community Fridge next week. If you are still wishing to donate to this incredible local organisation, the deadline is next Wednesday.



WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
			
137	99	97	161

'You're wonderful': those are the words sent to us in a thank you note from Sir Lenny Henry and we would like to echo them to you. The Dulwich Hamlet community came together, had some fun, raising a grand total of £1,174.08. Thank you so much – you are wonderful!



We all need some laughter and positivity at the moment; the red noses, red outfits, t- shirts and super heroes all contributed to the fun we had last Friday. Our main event, of course, was Dulwich Hamlet Mastermind. Our four celebrity staff contestants were questioned on their chosen topics: Harry Potter, Take That, Uganda, and Tottenham Hotspur Football Club. After the specialist round the scores were close, it was the general knowledge round that secured the narrow win for Tom Salomonson. Well done to all!

In a year when everything changed, people already living the toughest lives were hit particularly hard by the pandemic. The money we raised last week will help some of the most vulnerable in society both in the UK and around the World.



SAVE THE DATE...
QUIZ TIME!



With thanks to our very own 'Quiz Masters': The De Jongh Family, there will be a PTA Virtual Quiz, following a similar set-up to our previous virtual quizzes, between April 9th-11th. Follow this link for all the finer details, along with the how to buy your tickets: <https://buytickets.at/dulwichhamletjuniorschoolpta/499535>



OUR INCREDIBLE HAMLETEERS

You will recall Jasper's (5P) challenge of running the marathon in 7 days around the streets of our school in order to raise money for the PTA. The final total is now in and he has raised a staggering £1,265! Thank you to all of you who supported Jasper.

Max M in 6SP is raising money for Shelter, a charity that is of particular importance to him. Max is attempting to read 6 'chunky' books in a month in order to help him reach his target. His challenge has already started. If you would like to support Max, you can do so by following this link:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/6booksforshelter>



EGG DECORATING COMPETITION

We invite all pupils to enter this fun competition.
Bring your entry into school on
Thursday 1st April
Please follow these instructions carefully.

Entries should be:
ONE decorated egg, in a container no larger than 30cm x 30cm
 Attractive or witty
 Hard boiled or blown eggs
 Entered by **pupil** only, not parents or older siblings
 Labelled with pupil's name, class and house.

Display:
 Please take entries into class on **Thursday 1st April**
Class viewing (timetabled throughout the morning)

Judged:
 Judged after 9:00
 2 house points for each entry
 1st place 12 house points, 2nd 10 house points & 3rd 8 house points
Winners announced in afternoon assembly
 Entries to be collected at the end of the school day and taken home

Easter prizes to be won!