

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

It has been such a joy starting to receive each of our Y3/4/5 classes in turn for their 'touch base' sessions this week. I think the teachers have possibly enjoyed these more than the children! The children have been engaged in whole class circle games and activities, with lots of structured opportunities to talk and reconnect. The remaining 5 classes have their scheduled session next week.

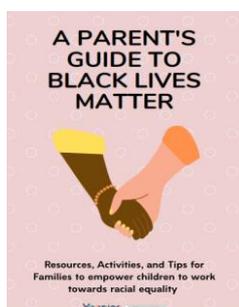
Yesterday, the Secretary for State for Education, Gavin Williamson, announced plans for all children to return to full-time education at the start of the autumn term – we are delighted with this news! We also received a hefty guidance document. The Core Leadership Team are now taking time to consider this carefully, in order to make detailed plans and preparations for a September return, appropriate for our DHJS community. We will aim to communicate the main headlines of these plans with you before we break for the summer holidays. The DfE have also published guidance for parents and carers, to help reassure you about what to expect for your children in the autumn. Please follow this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

BLACK LIVES MATTER: PARENT GUIDE

This informative, easy to read booklet: 'A parent's guide to Black Lives Matter' has recently come to our attention. It may be something you find useful to engage with as a family. It contains a selection of educational resources, including ideas on how to talk to your children about the subject, as well as suggestions for reading material and films for all age groups, with a list of useful websites. You can download the guide via this link: <https://yoopies.co.uk/c/press-releases/blacklivesmatter>

This is a subject and issue we must, and will continue to return to, as a school. We are already reviewing our curriculum for the new academic year. It will be a focus for school development work across the Dulwich Hamlet Educational Trust; we want to ensure our curriculum and the way we work is respectful, relevant, and benefits all of our pupils and community.



KEY DATES

Monday 6th July

4G 'touch base' session: 9:30-12pm

Tuesday 7th July

5N 'touch base' session: 9:30-12pm

Hamlet Alumni transition Q & A sessions for Y6

Wednesday 8th July

5P 'touch base' session: 9:30-12pm

Thursday 9th July

5G 'touch base' session: 9:30-12pm

Friday 10th July

4O 'touch base' session: 9:30-12pm

Mrs Evans has requested that the children bring in any school library books that they have at home on their touch base session days. Thank you.

PTA SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

We must say a huge 'thank you' to Kate Howard Davies who has been overseeing the running of our PTA Uniform Shop for the past few years. She has rallied the troops for support, and ensured that we have a continuous flow of stock, opening come rain or shine! Thank you so much Kate.

We are delighted that Prema De Sousa has kindly agreed to take over the reins, and that the shop will be open for a few opportunities via our Turney Road gate over the next two weeks.

The shop will be open between **9:30-10:30** on each of these dates:

Monday 6th July
Wednesday 8th July
Friday 10th July
Monday 13th July
Wednesday 15th July

Please note, payment will be by **card only**.

There is limited new stock, with second hand uniform available to purchase. You can purchase the DHJS logo items via:

<https://www.yourschooluniform.com/>



Please be aware that there is a significant delay on delivery, so an early order would be recommended.

As we approach the end of term, you may find that you have good quality second hand school uniform that you are happy to donate to the PTA. You can either bring this along to the shop on one of the dates listed, or drop of at the school office. Thank you in advance for your donations.

PTA CROWDFUNDRAISER

Due to the current pandemic, the **Dulwich Hamlet PTA** have had to cancel our most fun and profitable fundraising events of the year. After cancelling the summer disco, bake sales, the St Patrick's day ceilidh, and summer fair, we find ourselves unable to fund this year's goal of improving IT in our school.

Our lost revenue amounts to approximately £10,000. In addition, it is unknown which fundraising events will be able to go ahead in the near future. The IT funding goal was set in September before we knew what was about to happen. Now, more than ever, we need this goal to be met.

Our target for the IT fund is £15,000. In addition to lost PTA income, the school budget has been hit by lost grants and further government cutbacks. PTA funding is crucial to safeguard our support for the provision of music, sport, the library, amongst other resources and school activities.

Together, we can help the school. Any contribution large or small will be hugely appreciated. Thank you in advance.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/dulwich-hamlet-it-resources>

HOT OFF THE PRESS: Within the first couple of hours of going 'live' this morning, we have raised over £1000 already. Thank you for your support and generosity.

SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOL ONLINE SCHOOL TRAVEL SURVEY

We have been asked to circulate this information on behalf of Dulwich and Herne Hill Safer Routes to School:

COVID-19 brings in its wake a transport crisis.

Government advice is that we should consider all other forms of transport before using public transport.

But if those who have cars start to use them to travel to and from school, there will be gridlock. The more cars, the more pollution and that is bad for everyone. Children suffer from air pollution particularly badly when travelling by car. There is also some evidence that air pollution exacerbates the effect of COVID-19. So, we can't rely on cars.

We are passionate about enabling active travel to and from school - walking, scooting and cycling. This couldn't be more important in the current environment. Please take 2 minutes to complete [our survey](#) to help us to gather basic information about how children travel to school, which will give us valuable information on what might work. It really will only take 2 minutes, so please do it now, before you forget.

If you want more information, please visit: <http://dulwichsaferoutes.blogspot.com/>

Many thanks, and stay safe.

Dulwich and Herne Hill Safe Routes to School



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