

# THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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### HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

It has been a jam-packed start to the final half-term of the year: Y6 explored and celebrated all things 'Carnival'; we have had trips to the Horniman Museum and the Buddhist Temple in Bermondsey; we have welcomed friends from other schools for a Thames Festival cluster rehearsal and Y2 DVIS enjoyed a joint break time with our Y3 as part of our transition programme. This afternoon, we kick-started our annual Enrichment Programme - a mammoth feat of organisation, which ran like clock-work thanks to Nikki Thomson.

Then for the grown-ups: we were taken through a successful Safeguarding Audit by the local authority and all our teachers enjoyed an inspirational talk from Dylan William courtesy of our friends at Dulwich College. In addition, many of you joined us for an informative Parent and Carer Café with an online safety focus, led by Charlotte Kathe, the Prevent Officer for Southwark. We also had 30 School Direct trainees spend the day with us, being expertly led by Rachel Evans, with all 30 adults observing Tom Salomonson deliver an outstanding Y6 maths lesson! Then, finally, all of our Trustees and Governors from both the Hamlet and The Belham came together yesterday afternoon. We considered our vision, and how we share practice, from both curriculum and administrative 'behind the scenes' perspectives. All in a week's work....

### PROPOSED PARENTAL REPORTING CYCLE

If you haven't already, please do take the time to read our communication sent out yesterday regarding a proposed new feedback and reporting cycle for September 2019 onwards. Further to your feedback via our questionnaire last year, we have worked hard to develop improvements to the information we provide about your child's achievements and progress throughout the school year. We want to maximise what we already have in place, while adding in further opportunities to provide more frequent and timely information. The main change moving forward is to split the Annual Report that you have historically received at the end of the summer term into two parts. Part 1 will be disseminated at the end of the spring term, with part 2 at the end of the summer. For full details and an opportunity for you to provide any comments or feedback, please follow this link to the letter: [http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/proposed\\_changes\\_to\\_childs\\_report\\_2019.pdf](http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/proposed_changes_to_childs_report_2019.pdf) Please note, for this academic year, you will receive your child's full Annual Report on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

### KEY DATES

#### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

5B visit to the Horniman Museum

#### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Y6 Gala Dinner and Theatre Evening (Matilda)

#### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Clare Balding author visit for Y3, 4 and 5

#### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Y3/Y2 DVIS joint morning break time

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June

Enrichment Programme session 2

#### Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June

PTA Summer Fair 12:30-3pm

### OPEN CLASSROOM

We have scheduled a second Open Classroom for **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June (3:25-4:15pm)** and **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June (8:30-8:50am)**.

This is an opportunity for you and your child to engage in a reflective conversation about their learning. We know that the children really enjoy presenting and sharing their work with you, celebrating specific highlights, as well as explaining processes and their learning journeys to date. Please put this date in your diary.

### Y5 TASTER LUNCH: TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE

Please don't forget that the deadline for your RSVP is Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June. Follow this link to view the original letter and detail:

[http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/y5\\_taster\\_lunch\\_25th\\_june\\_2019.pdf](http://www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk/uploads/6/2/8/6/62866179/y5_taster_lunch_25th_june_2019.pdf)

### WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
Roll-over!			

## PTA UPDATE



The big event of the year is almost here: **Summer Fair – Saturday June 15th, 12:30-3:00.**

Remember to volunteer for your class stall. We cannot make the day a success without some helpers to set up and decorate the fair. We will open from 9:30am for people to set up. Can't get going that early? Don't worry you can always sign up for clean-up duty afterwards. So please join in.

No time? Well please donate any unwanted but saleable items for the second hand bric-a-brac stall, fill jingle jars or even empty glass ones we can fill and donate any raffle prizes. Please donate any quality books that are filling your shelves for our popular second-hand book stall. Do think about corporate fund matching or any fundraising arrangements that might be available through your work place. We also take cash donations via our bank account, just get in touch with [dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com](mailto:dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com).

And finally, **buy your raffle tickets now!** They will be in book bags today and/or Monday. You can also buy them on the day of the fair. We have over 45 prizes to win, including 2 John Lewis hampers donated by Knight Frank!

We have a new fundraising sponsorship from our neighbourhood estate agents Knight Frank.

Knight Frank, Dulwich Village are offering to help with raising the remaining money needed for the new playground and secret garden!

They will donate £1,000 to Dulwich Hamlet Junior School if anyone connected to the school sells their property through Knight Frank. The donation via this route can be anonymous or in the homeowner's name – it's entirely your choice. If they're instructed before the end of the school year and a second property is subsequently sold they'll then donate an additional £2,000 and if a third one is sold they will donate a further £3,000!

If you would like to take up this opportunity or find out more, simply contact Knight Frank on 020 3815 9140, letting them know your connection with the school. (Please be aware that terms and conditions apply)

So act now if you are thinking of selling your home. This is a great opportunity to raise the additional money we need for the new playground and secret garden.

See you at the Fair! Your PTA.  
Gillian



## PARKING, ANOTHER MOAN....

It was only a matter of weeks ago that we talked about Community Safety. It has come to our attention that parents from both DHJS and DVIS are still parking on double yellows for drop-off and pick-up, including blocking drop curbs and parking across the cycle lane on Turney. This is clearly having an impact on road safety within our locality. As we have already said, it is all of our responsibility to consider safety issues for our community, however busy or in a rush we may be. Can we kindly request that you do not park across the yellow lines around our schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

## STEM: QUESTION OF THE MONTH

And the winner for our May QotM ('100 years from now, what do you think will have been invented?') is Bilal in 4H. Many congratulations to you!

The graphic features the word 'STEM' in large, colorful letters at the top, surrounded by icons of a microscope, a lightbulb, a gear, and a DNA helix. Below it, the text 'QUESTION OF THE MONTH' is written in red. A thought bubble contains the question: 'Why can we see our breath on a cold day?' with a small image of a person's breath visible in the air. At the bottom, the deadline is stated: 'Deadline: Monday 8th July'.

The poster has a blue background with a large yellow sun, white clouds, and a white bird. The text reads: 'Dulwich Hamlet Junior School PTA Summer Fair Saturday 15th June 12.30 to 3pm'. At the bottom, there are three colorful beach huts: an orange and white striped one labeled 'GONE FISHING', a green and white striped one labeled '2', and a pink and white striped one labeled 'Life is Beach'.

## EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME

You may be interested to learn that Southwark Council has unveiled a new approach to community involvement to replace Community Councils. The resulting new Empowering Communities Programme will strengthen the role of local ward councillors who will lead regular Ward Meetings in each of the 23 wards, to discuss issues of local importance. In addition to individual ward based events, there will be area-based meetings to discuss issues that affect a wider area. The individual ward meetings will offer a more relaxed and intimate environment in which to discuss what is going on in the immediate neighbourhood, and where everyone will feel they can contribute.

### Area Forum meetings

Southwark will be divided into five new areas – (see map below). Area (Multi-ward) forum meetings will take place three times in 2019-20, and twice a year thereafter, for funding project presentations and announcing decisions. Each area will have a community champion, (one of the Councillors), who will Chair the area forums, ensuring that these larger meetings operate effectively.

Funding programmes information, process, and announcement of decisions; including Cleaner Greener Safer, Neighbourhoods Fund, Democracy Fund, Devolved Highways Budget, etc. will be a main function of the multi-ward meetings.

**The first of these Area Forum meetings for South Area will be at 7pm on Monday 24 June at Christchurch, 263 Barry Rd, Dulwich, SE22 0JT - come along and find out more about the changes!**

### Single/Joint ward meetings

The individual ward meetings will take place three times a year, but Councillors may also decide to use one or more of these opportunities to meet together with other wards, especially where a local matter affects residents across ward boundaries. Ward Councillors will have the responsibility for shaping the agenda and managing the meeting process. These meetings are where neighbourhood issues can be discussed, and residents can voice their concerns. Local policing and other local matters may also be addressed at these meetings.

Taking community engagement to the ward level will allow local people to make decisions about the things that matter in their street, local park or neighbourhood, and provide greater opportunities to discuss the things that really matter to them.

Check that you know which area your address falls under at:

<https://geo.southwark.gov.uk/connect/analyst/mobile/#/main?mapcfg=Southwark%20Area%20Forums>

