THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

It was such a joy seeing so many of you sharing a book with your child this morning. Thank you for coming in, and indeed, for taking time to make the necessary wardrobe amends for today too — the children looked fabulous! The children also enjoyed snuggling-up with a hot chocolate in the library with their class, as their teacher read an old favourite.



On Monday through to Wednesday next week, we are once again looking forward in engaging with a *Challenge Partners Quality Assurance Review*. This robust school improvement process will involve senior leaders from other primary settings, coming to DHJS to work alongside us observing lessons, speaking to our Hamleteers, as well as the DHJS team. We look forward to sharing the outcomes of this review with you in due course.

And finally, thank you all for your kind words of support and encouragement regarding the announcement this week of our Partnership with Ivydale Primary School. I will clear-up the 'rumour' with the children during one of my assemblies next week that I am not actually leaving!

DOODLEVISION

The top three classes with the highest % in 'the green zone' this week are:

First place (12 points): 60
Second place (11 points): 3KS
Third place (10 points): 3RS



Y4 took part in a TTRS Battle of the Bands this week! Bravo to 4M for 'rocking out' with their tables!!!

KEY DATES

W/c 11/03/24: 'The Big Plastic Count' (see details below)

Monday 11th March

Mexicolore workshops for Y6 Challenge Partners Day 1

Tuesday 12th March

Challenge Partners Day 2

Wednesday 13th March

4M class assembly, 9:10am, Turney Hall, grown-ups welcome Challenge Partners Day 3

Friday 15th March

DHJS does Comic Relief!

5A and 5N visit to Horniman Museum, morning visit

THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT

We are delighted to be supporting 'The Big Plastic Count' which starts on Monday next week, through to Sunday 17th March. We have explained how it works to our Hamleteers in assembly this afternoon, and have sent you a separate communication with all the details. The children are coming home with a tally sheet today, which they can use to record all of their activity.



WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
			Replace
159	159	145	134

SECONDARY TRANSFER OFFERS 2024

Y6 parents, please don't forget to keep us informed of the secondary offer you accept, whether that be from the state or independent sector. You can do this by completing our google form:

https://forms.gle/7S8tb7yhGSBbPLtb7

It's a really quick job! Thanks in advance.

Families can find further information on waiting lists, appeals and a list of frequently asked questions on Southwark Council's website at

www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-admissions/offer-of-a-secondary-school-place



COMIC RELIEF

Look out next week for the ways in which we'll be doing something funny for money and raising funds. The staff are warming up for their netball match and our Sport Mentors are revising their sport knowledge ready to take on the PE team. The whole school will be dancing! A big thank you to those who have already donated to our JustGiving page.

You can donate to Comic Relief via our JustGiving page using this link: http://tinyurl.com/mrd33x3n

- £10 could pay for a much-needed respite session for an isolated young carer in the UK
- £50 could provide toiletry packs for 10 people sleeping rough in the UK, offering dignity and the basics needed to stay clean
- £150 could help provide families with winter warm kits, containing energy top up cards, blankets, food supplies and slow cookers

Any amount donated will go towards supporting communities locally, across the UK and around the World. Thank you.

PTA UPDATE

Mother's Day Cake Sale:

Many thanks to everyone involved in baking, bringing, and buying cakes at the Mother's Day cake sale on Friday. We will let you know the total amount raised for the school next week as at the time of writing this, the sale hadn't taken place yet but we are sure it was a great success! This is the last cake sale of our school year as we will see the return of ice lollies for the warmer weather of summer term (dates to be confirmed).

Helping with event planning:

We have several large events in our PTA calendar which each require skills in planning and creativity. If you would like to get involved in helping us to plan and deliver one of these events, we would love to hear from you! This is a great way to get more involved in helping to fundraise for the school without the need to commit to being a member of the PTA.

We are also very grateful to the parents who have offered their time and expertise in helping make our events as inclusive as possible for our SEN children. We will be developing a programme for the upcoming disco so that parents can talk through the event with their children in advance. More to come on this after Easter.

PTA Office Spring Clean:

We are still in need of some help with the PTA Office Spring Clean. If you are able to help for an hour or two before pick-up on a Friday, please contact us and there will be coffee and cake thrown in to say thank you!

Save the dates:

Hamlet Disco - Friday 17th May 6 - 8pm (tickets will go on sale after the Easter holidays)

Summer Fair - Saturday 15th June 12.30 - 3pm

Interested in joining the PTA? We are always around for a chat over a coffee if you would like to know more about being involved in the PTA. Please contact us via dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com