

# THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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## HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

What a treat! Our informal 'Evening of Song' concert last night was truly fantastic. Our committed choristers were able to show-off their learning from their 8am Wednesday morning choir rehearsals, taking us through a warm-up, a vast repertoire, and there was even some audience participation too! It was lovely welcoming so many of you to Turney Hall. Once again, a huge 'thank you' to Miss Campbell for working with our young singers and for organising this special evening.

Mr Salomonson and I have recently been in communication with a group of parents, all of us seeking to understand more from our community regarding the use of smartphones. Please read the paragraph opposite for more information. We hope that as many of you as possible will share your thoughts. We know that this is a 'hot topic', and the fact that a swift 78 responses coming in within hours of the survey being launched last night, is testament to that.

Next week is SATs week for our Y6 cohort. These are statutory tests that all Y6 children across the country will be sitting. Our Hamleteers have been well prepared for these tests, and I am proud that we have managed to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum alongside this preparation. The children deserve to do so well. It is going to be a tiring week for pupils and staff alike. Please ensure that our Y6's go to bed at a reasonable time and are well rested for the tests that they are taking between Monday and Thursday. They can look forward to a few treats that we have lined-up for them in the weeks ahead.

**Good luck Y6!**

## DOODLE/TTRS

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

First place: 5A  
Second place: 3KS  
Third place: 3RS



Please keep on doodling everyone...!

**TTRS winners this week are... 4GR!**



## KEY DATES

### W/c 13<sup>th</sup> May

Y3/4/5 parent and carer meets continue online – various slots

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May

The start of SATs week for Y6

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May

PTA Uniform shop open, Turney entrance, 9:00-9:30am  
PTA Disco, 6:00-8:00pm

## PARENT & CARER VOICE: YOUR THOUGHTS ON CHILDREN AND SMARTPHONES

We would like to share with you a parent-led initiative to understand your views on children and smartphones. This 6-minute survey is a chance for you to contribute to a meaningful conversation about how Dulwich Hamlet Junior School can best support our families in navigating the complexities of smartphone technology. Responses are anonymous, and every opinion will be considered with respect and without judgment. We appreciate your time and input on this critical topic.

Click here to take part in the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/JFGAaY8Hs6> by \*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May\* (one for each child you have at DHJS), and the results will be shared after half term.

You can also join the ongoing discussion by connecting with the parent group on WhatsApp here:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LhnHDFr8AnAGa80V34z902>

## WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
144	165	144	104

## PTA UPDATE/NEWS

**School Disco next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May: 6 - 8pm!**

📺 **Don't forget to buy your tickets for the disco!** Tickets sales will end at 11pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Tickets available\* via: <https://buytickets.at/dulwichhamletjuniorschoolpta/122156>

\*Please note we have changed what's included in the ticket price from a free pass on one of the activities to a free pizza slice for all children instead - this is to help with logistics on the day and offers higher value for money for parents.

There will be a separate bar for adults serving a range of alcohol, soft drinks, and snacks - please note that no children are allowed in the bar area.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

### Save the dates

👛 Second-hand uniform sale - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 9 - 9.30am (weather permitting) outside the PTA office by Turney Road gate

🌻 Summer Fair - Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 12.30 - 3pm

🍷 Ice Lolly Sale - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June after school in Village Playground

### 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 ☺

We will be **looking for a new PTA co-chair to start in the Autumn term** to work alongside Georgie Pelser and the rest of the lovely Trustees and committee members. Ideally this will be a parent who will have a child in either Year 4 or 5 from September. The commitment is around eight hours a week for at least 18 months and it's a very interesting and rewarding role. If you would like to know more please contact us via [dulwichhametpta@gmail.com](mailto:dulwichhametpta@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES



# Arty Party

**May Half Term Workshops**  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May  
9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

This half term we will be looking at the spectacular artwork of Yinka Shonibare... Famous for his use of brightly coloured Ankara fabric, he creates sculptures of people doing all sorts of things like floating in space, unicycling or flying! He connects different cultures, explores hidden histories, and imagines a better future for us all!  
Join us this holiday as we make...

**Marvellous Masks, Amazing Aliens, Beautiful Butterfly Wings, Citizen of the World Passports, Brilliant Birds, Fabulous Printed Fabric ... Ooooh and all the usual Fun & Games!**

In a week your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories.

Learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as screen printing.  
Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:  
**WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK**  
Cost £48 per day

Booking is for a minimum of 2 days  
We accept childcare vouchers and tax-free Childcare  
Children must be 5 years & above  
Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!

For any more information please email or call us:  
020 8675 7065 [john@artyparty.co.uk](mailto:john@artyparty.co.uk)

**WHERE TO FIND US...**

Wimbledon: The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD	28 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Balham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL	28 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG	28 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Cleapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX	28 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Bleckheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL	28 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Dulwich: Dulwich Hamlet school, Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL	29 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May



# GIRLS FOOTBALL TRIALS

COME AND JOIN OUR FANTASTIC CLUB!

## SATURDAY 11TH & 18TH MAY

2:30PM-3:30PM, UNDER 9S-UNDER 12S  
(SCHOOL YEARS 4-7 AS OF SEPT 24)

3:30PM-4:30PM, UNDER 13S-UNDER 18S  
(SCHOOL YEARS 8+ AS OF SEPT 24)

BRIGHTLANDS, DULWICH PREP SCHOOL, 8 GALLERY ROAD SE21 7AB (OPPOSITE BELAIR HOUSE)

SCAN TO SIGN UP

