## THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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#### HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

I started the week welcoming our Hamleteers back with my first assembly of the term. I talked about, 'what does the summer term mean to us all?' For me, so much of it is about fun and change. There is so much to get excited about as we move through the term. We have many glittering activities planned for the year groups, including workshops and trips, with a rather special week long one for Y6! Coupled with an array of opportunities for the school community to come together and celebrate, it is going to be a jam-packed, fun term.

I also spoke in detail about change, and how the summer term is a time when we start to look ahead at what is to come. At DHJS, we try hard not to underestimate the impact of change for our Hamleteers, however small a change it may seem to us as grown-ups. I talked about navigating change and the associated feelings we can experience, which are normal for us all, along with the things we can do to help ourselves, and indeed each other.

Please see the most recent Key Dates document further on in the HH. If you were so 'on it' over the hols and transferred any of the dates to your own diaries, please note that we have had to revise the Open Classroom dates (after half-term) and now have the date for our Summer Concert at JAGS.

Finally, with the expert help of our 6O Sports Mentors and a relay baton (!) I talked about chains of positivity and how our actions and words can have an impact on others around us. The children were asked to keep this in mind as we move through the summer term. With the upbeat 'good mornings' we are receiving at drop-off each day, and the acts of kindness shown on the playground between each other, our Hamleteers are ensuring that the 'positivity baton' is certainly not being dropped!

Such a great start to the term.

#### **KEY DATES**

#### w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> April

After school clubs resume

#### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April

'Playful Parenting' workshop for parents & carers, 2:30-3:20pm, Burbage, please book your place with the office

#### Thursday 25th April

School Journey meeting for Y6 parents & carers, 6pm Turney

#### Friday 26th April

DHJS Cross Country event, morning, Griffin field

#### ABRSM MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

A huge congratulations to our Hamleteers who took their ABRSM music examinations (Grades 1-4) before the Easter holiday. These are children who learn an instrument with us at school. Everyone passed with flying colours and did themselves proud. Practise certainly makes perfect!

Thank you to our Music Team for prepping the children so well, and to Miss Campbell for her organisation and commitment for making this extra opportunity happen. It was such a pleasure being able to present the children with their certificates in assembly today. They are very posh (!) and deserve to be treasured.

#### **WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS**



#### Y3 SEPTEMBER ENTRANTS DOCUMENT CHECK

If you have recently received an offer for your younger child to join us in Y3 this coming September, please tick our 'Document Check' off your to-do list! You will find a link/QR code within your offer letter from us, giving you a range of dates/times (starting from next week) when we are able to receive this information from you. You are asked to make an appointment, which includes a brief meet with Mrs Purcell and Mr Salomonson/Miss Thomson. The final date we have set aside for receiving this documentation in order to secure your place is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

We will then be moving forward with the next stage of the transition process for our new entrants, including gathering information from feeder schools and yourselves. This will support us in forming the new class lists. We will only be contacting families/discussing children with feeder schools who have confirmed places. We have a tight time-frame to work towards, so please prioritise scheduling this document check (you must still do this even if you already have a sibling at DHJS).

If you are no longer requiring an offered place for September, please inform us (and the local authority) of your decision asap. We have some very anxious families on our list who are awaiting patiently for some positive news. Thank you.

#### **SECONDARY TRANSFER**

We are still waiting on a significant number of Y6 parents to confirm with us what schools your children will be transferring to in September. We are aware that there are still some places to be confirmed following the movement of waiting lists, but as soon as places are finalised, please inform the office by completing this short google form:

#### https://forms.gle/BNtcbX8ZLd3qpCq4A

To ensure accurate and a timely transition of information to your child's new school, it is critical that we have this confirmation from you.

Thank you.



#### PTA DISCO!!!

Get ready to groove at the DHJS PTA School Disco on Friday 17th May 6 - 8pm!

- DJ NZ Soul will be spinning tunes in the Turney Hall
- Turney Playground transforms into a mini festival with:
  - Garden Games\*: Fun challenges await!
  - Silent Disco\* and Inflatable Disco Dome\*: Dance or bounce to your own beat.
  - Disco Photo Booth: Capture the magic.
  - Stalls: Visit the Funky Sweet Shop and Disco Glow Up

(\*all included in ticket price)

- Food and Snacks: Satisfy your cravings with options like burgers from the food truck or finger foods like pizza.
- Adults' Corner: Our bar serves up alcohol and posh snacks for grown-up enjoyment.
- Safety First: This unsupervised event requires children to be accompanied by an adult. You're responsible for their behaviour and well-being.
- Doors Open: 5:45 PM (main entrance).
- Cashless Event: Please note that this is a token or card only event.

Tickets now available: https://buytickets.at/dulwichhamletjuniorschoolpta/1221565

The disco programme and a child-friendly map will be available soon for parents who would like to show and talk through the event with their children in advance.

Let's make memories and dance the night away! **@**  $\overline{R}$ 



### Key Dates for Summer Term 2024

Y3 -		Y4 -		Y5 -		Y6 -	Whole School -	
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Key Dates	Events	Further Details		
	Easter holidays: Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April			
15.04.24	Summer term I starts	Normal start time 08.45-08.55		
16.04.24	Admissions - Primary National Offer Day	Email from your home local authority		
10.04.24	(for Y3 September 2024)	after 17.00		
18.04.24	Y3 visit to Unicorn Theatre to watch The Odyssey	Morning, back for lunch		
24.04.24	Parent and Carer Café: 'Supporting Children with	Burbage, 14:20-15:25 Facilitated by		
	Anxiety and Change'	Asia Scott (DHJS Art Therapist)		
25.04.24	Y6 School Journey meeting for parents and carers	18.00-18.30 – Turney hall		
26.04.24	Y3-6 DH S Cross Country Event	Griffin Field 09.30-12.00		
06.05.24	*Early May Bank Holiday*	All day – school closed		
w/c 07.05.24	Y3/4/5 Parent Meets	Various times, online		
07.05.24	Y5 visit to Kew Gardens	All day		
08.05.24	Y3 Bright Sparks Concert with the LPO	Royal Festival Hall, morning		
w/c 13.05.24	Y6 SATs Week	All week		
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17.05.24	TCSET Dance Festival – details of involvement to follow	Charles Dickens Primary School, morning		
17.05.24	PTA Family Disco	DHJS, timing/ticket details to follow		
w/c 20.05.24	Y6 School Journey – 20 <sup>th</sup> May – 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Kingswood, Dearne Valley Centre		
23.05.24	Portals to the Past - Y3 Ancient Greece Day	All day		
	Half Term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31th May			
03.06.24	Summer term 2 starts	Normal start time 08.45-08.55		
03.06.24	Sports morning	Griffin field am, parents invited		
04.06.24	Class Photos	All day		
10.06.24	Portals to the Past – Y5 Ancient Egypt Day	All day		
12.06.24	Y4 visit to the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Temple in Neasden	All day		
12.06.24	Y5 Parent and Carer Taster Lunch	Details to follow		
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# [WEEKLY MENU] Week 2

Week Commencing: Mon 22nd Apr - Mon 13th May - Mon 10th Jun - Mon 1st Jul - Mon 22nd Jul

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Main Dish of the Day	Chicken & Tomato Basil Pasta (G, MK)	Sticky BBQ Chicken	Roast Beef 4 Gravy	Caribbean Chicken Curry	Battered Fish & Chips (F. G) · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G)	BBQ Vegetables (CE, G*)	Summer Vegetable Quiche & Nut Free Pesto (E, G, MK)	Jerk Vegetable Wrap (CE, G)		
Vegetable Choice	Garlic Bread and Green Salad (G, MK)	Homemade Potato Wedges 4 Sweetcorn	Rustic Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Jamaican Rice & Peas	Beans or Peas	
Dessert of the Day	Banana Sponge with Vanilla Sauce (E, G, MK)	Lemon Meringue Pie (E, G)	Classic Jam Sponge & Custard (E, G, MK, SO*)	Apple Traybake (E, G, MK*)	Chocolate Orange Sponge with Chocolate Sauce (E, G, MK, SO)	
Jacket Potato Bar	See Board for Details					
Cold Selection	Salad Bar Homemade Bread (E*, G, MK, SO) Fresh Fruit					

Dulwich Hamlet Junior School Allergens:

CE = Celery, CR = Crustacean, E = Eggs, F = Fish, G = Cereals Containing Gluten, L = Lupin, MK = Milk, MO = Molluscs, MU = Mustard, N = Nuts, P = Peanuts, SO = Soya, SU = Sulphur, SE = Sesame Seeds

\* = May Contain