



Thought of the Week

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. – Maya Angelou

A message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring is definitely in the air. Eggs are incubating in EYFS and years 1 to 3 are taking part in the Make Camberwell Smile project. In this project, children will be growing sunflowers, to then plant in the community, at school or they may even find their way to your garden or window box. The project has shared seeds with DKH with the aim of filling the community with smiling sunflowers. Thank you to Mrs Brassell for organising this great opportunity for us!

I know you will agree with me when I say that DKH has a wonderful Arts provision. With the support of our great Arts team including Ms Kelly Roberts and Ms Omoniyi children are able to take part in a variety of creative opportunities. On Tuesday 4th May, Year 3 classes will be performing songs from Oliver. They have worked so hard and are looking forward to singing with a live band. Then on Wednesday 5th May, the Year 5 steel pan band will be lifting hearts and spirits at 9:00 as they perform their inspiring repertoire of pieces outside the Mary Seacole building. Their vibrant and melodious tunes will fill the air as children enter the school. Please do listen to their joyful sounds but we ask that you please do not gather outside the school and continue to maintain social distancing. Please keep an eye on our website for links to these wonderful performances.

Can I please remind parents and carers to park responsibly and thoughtfully? It puts the school in a difficult position when parents and carers park in private parking areas. We ask that you do not park in these areas even for just a few moments as it causes upset for our neighbours. Our school is part of a community and we want to work with our community to develop positive and supportive relationships. Thank you in advance for your help and support with this.

Finally, I wanted to let you know that we have just four places left in our fantastic Nursery. Please let your friends and family members know so that they can snap up a place before they are gone.

Wishing everyone a restful bank holiday weekend. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, 4th May.

Barbara Ghezzi

Covid Heroes

The Royal Mail has launched a competition and they want school children to design a stamp to show who their 'Covid Hero' is!



Of course DKH could not resist the opportunity to celebrate our heroes and to take part in a competition which allows us to use our fantastic art skills. Children from Reception to Year 6 will be entering and drawing their 'Covid Hero.' This could be anyone who has worked extra hard during the pandemic, from teachers, cleaners and supermarket workers to doctors and nurses. Who is your Covid Hero?

This is particularly exciting, as children have only been asked to design stamps for the Royal Mail four times before: 1966, 1981, 2013 and 2017.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson said: "The last year has been one of the most difficult any of us can remember, but throughout it all our Covid heroes have been there for us, inspired us and done so much for others."

This competition is a great way to celebrate all of our 'Covid Heroes' and we look forward to taking part!

Note from the Office

Parents and carers are reminded to contact the school office on 0207 274 1829 or email at school@dkh.southwark.sch.uk to report their child's absence.

Please ensure that you provide details including symptoms as this allows us to meet our Covid risk assessment requirements. Please note that simply stating a child is unwell may result in an unauthorised absence.

If you or your child is facing challenges brought about by Covid-19, which are affecting your child's school attendance, please do contact Ms Walters, our Safeguarding and Intervention Officer. We want to work in partnership with you and do all we can to minimise loss of learning so that it does not have a long lasting impact on your child's education.





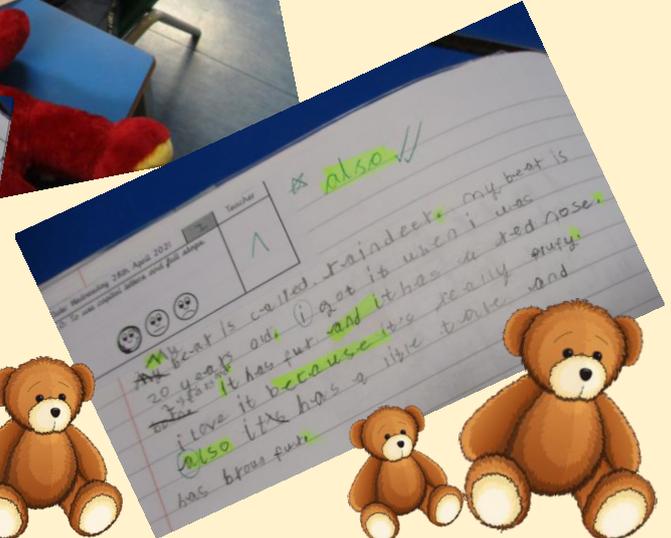
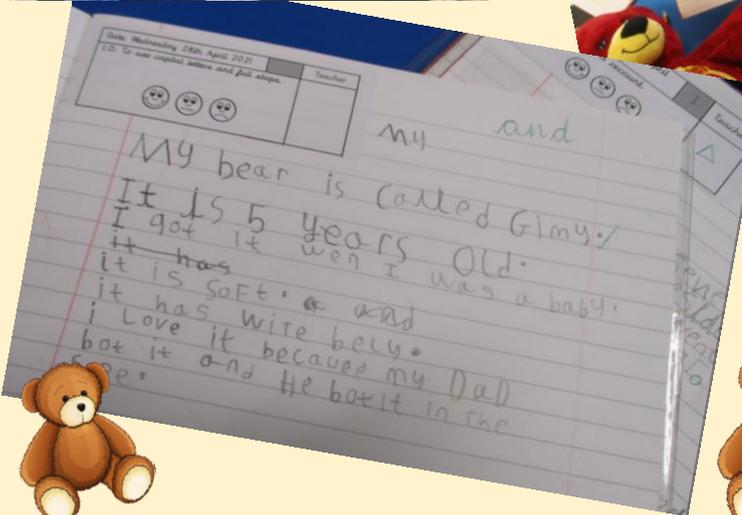
Year 1 have been really busy learning about old and new toys.

They have looked closely at different types of toys and had a go at sorting them - investigating how they are played with and the materials that they are made from. They explored and learned a lot!

Year 1 have also immersed themselves in creating their own toy museum - writing labels and designing posters for their museum. It was a brilliant museum with lots to see and showcased all of the children's learning.

They then brought in their own teddy bears and wrote brilliant descriptions about their special toys during English.

You can see some of their great writing below!





What's New in EYFS?

Children in EYFS have had exciting news this week. They were introduced to their new friends... and are now waiting for them to hatch! You guessed it - eggs are incubating and chicks should arrive in approximately 21 days. We are all very excited and look forward to sharing more news and photos with you.



Star of the Week!



We would like to recognise the children who have been great examples of our school values and have shown true commitment to their learning. Well done!

Nursery	Aleena , for talking so confidently about her family. Lia , for taking such care of the insects in our garden.
Reception	Amira , for her incredible independent writing. WOW! Well done!
Cherry	Shamira , for being a superstar learner - focusing on her learning and always up for the challenges we set her!
Willow	Lenny , for great effort in his writing and brilliant creativity in art!
Elder	Hanan , for showing an amazing attitude to learning and putting in 100% effort.
Palm	Owen M for a fantastic diary entry written in role as one of the characters from the 'Pea & the Princess.'
Beech	Ibrahim , for producing an outstanding, well presented non-chronological report in English!
Eucalyptus	Sahaila , for being a kind, caring and a bright spark! She is able to work hard and make sure the classroom is always fit for learning - thank you!
Cedar	Mahamed , for returning to school with a great, positive attitude and hitting the ground running. I am so impressed!
Sycamore	Mariane , for pushing herself in maths and increasing her stamina in writing!
Rowan	Yusuf , for working really hard especially in Literacy.
Hazel	Tobi , for being hard working and resilient this week
Elm	Louie , for his eagerness to do his best work. Keep it up!
Maple	Akokor for a persuasive poster for recruiting women during WW2.

Dates for the Diary



03.5 2021	May Bank Holiday – No School
11.05.2021	Year 6 Multiskills Challenge Day
21.05.2021	Food Workshop – Year 3
24.05.2021	Year 2 and 3 SEND Multi-Activity League
28.05.2021	Year 6 Duvet Day
31.05 2021 - 04.06.2021	Half Term begins
07.06.2021	Start of second half of Summer Term – Children return
14.06.2021	Year 5 Bikeability Week
17.06.2021	KS2 Mental Health Workshop
21.06.2021	Sports for Champions Athlete Visit
22.06.2021	Year 5 and 6 Healthy Eating Workshop
23.06.2021	Year 3 and 4 Healthy Eating Workshop
07.07.2021	Spanish Day
12.07.2021	Year 6 Bikeability Week
13.07.2021	Year 6 Prom
14.07.2021	Sports Day - EYFS
15.07.2021	Sports Day – Year 1, 2 and 3
16.07.2021	Sports Day – Year 4, 5 and 6

Attendance

Cherry	97.9%	Cedar	98.2%
Willow	98.5%	Sycamore	98.2%
Elder	94.1%	Rowan	97.7%
Palm	98.1%	Hazel	98.4%
Beech	94.7%	Elm	100%
Eucalyptus	97.5%	Maple	98%

School Council

The DKH School Council is a formal group of pupils within the school who are elected by their peers to represent them and their views.

On Thursday afternoon, the DKH School Council held their first meeting since the period of school closures. It was a great opportunity for children to voice their thoughts and feelings about the return to school, the school environment and their learning. The meeting focused on what children missed the most about school. The children told us they missed whole school assemblies, school trips, use of the climbing frame, performances and shows. (We miss these too and look forward to when they can all be reinstated!) School Council meetings will be held regularly between now and the end of the year and we look forward to planning some fun events!

