



Thought of the Week

The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be. -Ralph Waldo Emerson

A message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week and despite the weather, children have been smiling and enjoying their learning. **Year 1** have been reading *Lost in the Toy Museum* by David Lucas. You can imagine their surprise when they discovered evidence that their own toys had come to life in the classroom! **Year 2** have been learning about plants and you can see more of what they have been up to on the next page. **Year 3** enjoyed taking part in a workshop provided by Chartwells which tied into their learning about sustainable and healthy eating. **Year 4** have been creating classification keys for invertebrates after first having a practised with liquorice allsorts. This sounds like a great activity to do at home! As part of their topic on Greek Myths, **Year 5** have been drawing and writing amazing descriptions about the joys and horrors of Pandora's box. **Year 6** have been learning about and writing brilliant reports on the Windrush Generation. Finally, there was a great deal of excitement in **EYFS** due to tadpoles, caterpillars and chicks, oh my! Some of the chicks have hatched and you can see photos on page 3 of the newsletter.

As we continue to follow the roadmap out of lockdown and restrictions begin to lift, some families may be looking to take holidays during term time. I would like to remind parents and carers that, as usual, holidays should be planned around school breaks and parents and carers should avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school. School attendance continues to be mandatory for all pupils and the usual rules on school attendance apply. This includes parents' duty to ensure their child regularly attends school, and schools' and local authorities' ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, for poor attendance.

I would like to congratulate **Darius, Bree, Louie and Lynne** in year 6 who received awards for demonstrating exceptional ability and great sportsmanship. Well done!

Barbara Ghezzi

Walk to School Week

DKH took part in Walk to School Week. It was great to see so many of our children travelling sustainably. Walking, cycling and scooting has so many benefits from physical to mental wellbeing; aiding concentration and creativity and creating safer, less polluted and more welcoming streets. All that makes for a happy, healthy child set up for success in and out of the classroom.

There are lots of fun activities you and your child can undertake on your walk to and from school.

You could even include a scavenger hunt as part of your journey.

How many of these items can you spot?

A dog <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/>	Robin <input type="checkbox"/>
 <input type="checkbox"/>	Street light <input type="checkbox"/>	Park bench <input type="checkbox"/>
Pedestrian crossing <input type="checkbox"/>	Feather <input type="checkbox"/>	Twig <input type="checkbox"/>
Pebble <input type="checkbox"/>	Butterfly <input type="checkbox"/>	Flower <input type="checkbox"/>
Something smooth <input type="checkbox"/>	Puddle <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/>

Follow this [link](#) for more great activities and ideas.

Birthday Celebrations

We know that children and parents/carers often enjoy sharing treats or party packs for their child's birthday. This year many children have missed celebrating birthdays with family and friends so we have allowed children to bring in birthday treats to share. We would like to emphasise that this is not expected and we do not want to encourage children to put pressure on their parents/carers or other children to bring cakes or treats to school. However, if you do want to mark the occasion at school, please note that treats must be **store bought, pre-portioned** (like cupcakes) **and nut free**. We are unable to slice and distribute whole cakes.

Any party bags will need to be brought to school two days before they are to be distributed. This allows us to **quarantine** the items, in line with our Covid risk assessment.



Dates for the Diary



24.05.2021	Year 2 and 3 SEND Multi-Activity League
28.05.2021	Year 6 Duvet Day
31.05.2021	Half Term begins
07.06.2021	Start of second half of Summer Term – Children return
08.06.2021	Year 5 and 6 Athletics
11.06.2021	Year 1 and 2 Multiskills
14.06.2021	Year 3 and 4 Challenge Day
14.06.2021	Year 5 Bikeability Week
17.06.2021	KS2 Mental Health Workshop
18.06.2021	Year 3 trip to Kew Gardens
21.06.2021	Sports for Champions Athlete Visit
22.06.2021	KS2 Healthy Eating Workshop
24.06.2021	Year 6 Leavers' Activity Day
26.06.2021	EYFS and KS1 Yoga Workshop
05.07.2021	Year 6 Workshop with PC Patel
07.07.2021	Spanish Day
10.07.2021	Summer Festival
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
19.07.2021	Children meet their new teacher
19.07.2021	Parent Meetings
20.07.2021	Parent Meetings
22.07.2021	Last day of school for children

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!

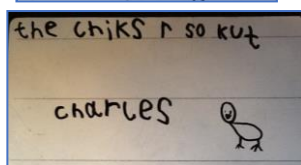
Nursery	Erdi and Hamilton for their fantastic team work whilst protecting their egg during our egg drop!
Reception	Damiah , for working so hard in phonics!
Cherry	Mackenzie , for trying his best, not giving up and always being ready for a challenge!
Willow	Alicia , for her positive attitude to learning in all areas.
Elder	Mikayla , for her amazing and independent character description! It was fantastic!
Palm	Asia , for making a huge effort with the quality and quantity of her written work!
Beech	Mercy , for putting in maximum effort towards her learning!
Eucalyptus	Ameen , for being so independent and motivated with all his learning, well done!
Cedar	Izaiah , for working really hard to extend his sentences and also build up his stamina in writing. He has been our writing superstar!
Sycamore	Angel , for supporting her friends well in the playground,
Rowan	Kaeson , for working hard and doing an amazing retelling of the poem, Jabberwocky
Hazel	Lucy , for her hard work, persistence and motivation
Elm	Melene for her consistently positive attitude to learning in Maths!
Maple	Eliza , for an informative chronological report on The Windrush Generation

Attendance

Cherry	91%	Cedar	96.8%
Willow	96%	Sycamore	98.7%
Elder	95.2%	Rowan	96.3%
Palm	98.6%	Hazel	98.8%
Beech	99%	Elm	95.1%
Eucalyptus	94.9%	Maple	92.4%

Breaking News in EYFS!

There has been exciting news in EYFS. Children and staff were thrilled with the fluffy, new additions to their classroom!



"They getting so fluffy and bigger. It said cheep, cheep, cheep I can hear it" **Eliza**

"The chick, it's hatching!" **Richlove**

"The eyes are black." **Chikaima**

"It's sleeping." **Liam**

"They want to work as a team to get that chick out." **Benedict**

Click [here](#) to see our eggs hatching!

On **Friday 28th of May**, Dog Kennel Hill Primary will be celebrating **London History Day**. This day children will have the opportunity to learn about the history behind many of the famous landmarks in our local area and the art that has been inspired by this wonderful urban landscape.

Teachers are eagerly preparing for this day and the fantastic work produced will be shared with everyone. Be sure keep your eyes on our website to see what our children create to celebrate this special day.

Why not take a walk around the local area and discover the wealth of history at your doorstep?

Click [here](#) for more ideas about how to get involved at home.



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