



Thought of the Week

You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step. - Martin Luther

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

DKH has their first Open Morning on **Monday the 11th of October** for Nursery and Reception intake, 2022. Open Mornings are designed to give potential pupils and their parents/carers a taste of what it is to be at DKH. If you have friends or colleagues who are looking for Early Years places, please do direct them to our website where they can book to attend an Open Morning. Parents and carers are also welcome to arrange individual school visits at any time of year by contacting the office directly.

We take attendance very seriously at DKH and ask that you please work closely with us to keep your child's attendance over 90%. Good attendance is 95% and this takes in consideration common colds and illness. We want to assure you that sickness due to a positive COVID-19 test does NOT affect your child's attendance. Our Safeguarding and Intervention Officer, Ms Nichols will be reviewing attendance for the whole school every 6 weeks. If needed, she will contact you to offer support in raising your child's attendance throughout the academic year.

Finally, this week we are saying goodbye to **Fabio De Sousa Cardoso**. Fabio joined us as part of the DWP Kickstart Programme and has been working with our Premises Team. We wish his well as he continues his career journey.

Wishing our school community a wonderful and restful weekend.

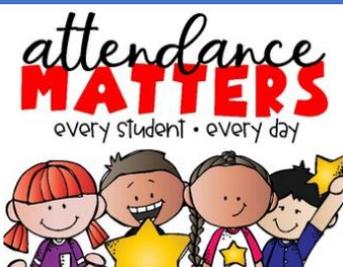
Barbara Ghezzi

Dog Kennel Hill Stands with Afghanistan

As a result of the **generosity** of the DKH school community, we were able to **donate** two large boxes, overflowing with food and toiletry items, to the Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers. These items will be used to support refugees in the London Borough of Southwark.



The items were collected by Bettina Dreier who shared with us that they would go to support individuals and families in our area who were new to the country and had no resources of their own.



How Are You Feeling?

At DKH School, we use the Zones of Regulation as a way to teach and support our children to manage and regulate their emotions. [Here](#) you will find a video explaining how we use Zones of Regulation as well as additional resources that can support the use of Zones of Regulation at home.

The **ZONES** of Regulation®

Black History Month

Our celebration of Black History Month has started off well.

As part of the celebration, on **Tuesday the 12th of October**

children will learn about black artists and take part in art lessons taught by teachers from across the school. On that day, children are encouraged to wear clothing which represents their culture. There will also be a special lunch menu that day.

Black History Month

12th October 2021

Jerk Chicken

Rice and Peas

Sweet Potato Stew
With Rice and Green Salad

Fried Plantain

Pineapple Upside Down
Cake

Fruit and Ice Cream

Ballet for Boys

Central School of Ballet have recently moved to brand new premises in Southwark. As part of their drive to encourage more boys into dance, they are offering boys aged **8-10 years** an opportunity to take part in a programme of 4 ballet classes which take place every **Friday evening from 4.30-5.30pm**. The classes take place in their purpose built, state of the art studios. Classes commence on **Friday 8 October to Friday 22 October 4.30-5.30pm** and are **FREE of charge**. Further classes are then offered at a reduced rate. You can find out more [HERE](#).

Dates for the Diary



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| 12.10.21 | School Council Elections |
| 12.10.21 | Year 2 Butterfly Workshop |
| 18.10.21 | Year 4 choir and drummers at Milton Court |
| 18.10.21 | Year 5 Viking Workshop |
| 19.10.21 | BHM Art and Dance Workshop (R-Year 2) |
| 21.10.21 | Year 6 Careers Talk |
| 22.10.21 | Apple Day |
| 25.10.21 – 29.10.21 | Half Term |
| 02.11.21 | Parent Evening – Nursery and Reception |
| 02.11.21 | Year 5 session with PC Short |
| 03.11.21 | Parent Evening – Cherry and Cedar Class |
| 04.11.21 | Parent Evening – Palm and Elder Class |
| 05.11.21 | Parent Evening – Beech Class |
| 05.11.21 | Year 5 Money Twist Workshop |
| 08.11.21 | Maths' Week begins |
| 09.11.21 | Parent Evening – Eucalyptus Class |
| 10.11.21 | Parent Evening – Sycamore and Hazel Class |
| 11.11.21 | Parent Evening – Maple and Elm Class |
| 15.11.21 | Anti-Bullying Week begins |
| 15.11.21 | Inter-Faith Week begins |
| 17.11.21 | Flu vaccinations |
| 19.11.21 | Children in Need Day |
| 24.11.21 | School Photos (EYFS and sibling photos) |
| 25.11.21 | School Photos (Years 1 – 6) |

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!

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| Nursery | Nahla , for always being such a caring friend. |
| Reception | Tasnim , for her fantastic attitude to learning. |
| Cherry | Morolake , for her excellent reasoning skills in Maths. |
| Elder | Ayyash , for his excellent work solving addition and subtraction word problems. |
| Palm | Jawad , for fantastic science work sorting foods into food groups and knowing how those foods help our bodies. |
| Beech | Omar , for his systematic approach to maths. |
| Eucalyptus | Ezra , for showing a real sense of maturity, taking responsibility for his learning as well as supporting others. |
| Cedar | Dylan , for great listening and showing a love of books and reading. |
| Sycamore | Jaiden , for good work in interpreting pictograms. |
| Hazel | Anya , for always trying her best and great behaviour for learning. |
| Maple | Theo , because his inspiration and enthusiasm for learning and living is so contagious! |
| Elm | Tobi , for his excellent effort and presentation in maths! |

Attendance

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| Cherry | 94.4% | Cedar | 96% |
| Elder | 92.5% | Sycamore | 94.9% |
| Palm | 96.4% | Hazel | 96.9% |
| Beech | 98.6% | Elm | 98.4% |
| Eucalyptus | 90.8% | Maple | 97.5% |

Charles's Fearsome Facts

By Charles, Year 3

- Did you know ticks can drink up to 600 times their size in blood?
- Did you know only female mosquitos drink blood?



Halloween Special

PLEASE HELP US

Parents and carers are asked to please consider the safety of our children and the public when parking near the school.

Please do not park on the curb or on double yellow lines. This puts children at risk.

We ask that parents and carers **do not park on private property**. This creates conflict with our school community and does not uphold our school value of respect. Thank you for your support.

Cherry Class have had a very busy week continuing their story of *Whatever Next*. This week, Baby Bear needed help with persuading his mummy that he really did go to the moon, so he invited Cherry Class to go with him to experience it! Cherry Class acted out getting ready and flying to the moon. Then, they explored the moon and had a yummy picnic. Afterwards, they wrote a postcard to Mrs Bear telling her all about their trip and explaining that Baby Bear really did go to the moon!



Do you want to visit the moon?



What would be in YOUR picnic basket?



flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



- 1. Protect your child**
The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- 2. Protect you, your family and friends**
Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- 3. No injection needed**
The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- 4. It's better than having flu**
The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- 5. Avoid costs**
If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu **o**mmunisation
 Helping to protect children, every winter

Note from the Office



Cold and flu season has started but just a cold does not mean your child has to stay home. If your child is well, they should come to school. However, if your child has a **high temperature, a new and continuous cough or loss of smell or taste**, please arrange a PCR test for them. Your child will need to isolate while they await results of the PCR test.

Please remember to contact the school office if your child is unwell and unable to attend school. If you leave a message, please provide details regarding your child's symptoms.

The **flu vaccine** will be offered at school on **17 November 2021**. Please follow the link [here](#) to indicate if you would like your child to receive or NOT receive the vaccine.

DKH is participating in the It's Good to Grow scheme

You can help us receive **FREE** gardening equipment for our school every time you shop at **Morrisons**.

How does it work?

1. Morrison customers download the MyMorrisons app
2. Sign in or register to MyMorrisons and select DKH as the school you wish to collect for
3. Scan the app at checkout or use online when shopping
4. For every £10 you spend, DKH will receive a Grow Token
5. DKH can exchange the Grow Tokens for free gardening equipment



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