DKH Newsletter 19th November 2021

Thought of the Week

Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced. - James Baldwin

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of Maths' Week arrived far too quickly and saw DKH achieve 5th place against 30 local schools on Times Tables Rockstars! I am so proud of all of our Rockstars for their hard work – Keep rocking! During the week children enjoyed having FUN with maths and finished the week by dressing up as their Time Table Rock Star avatar (years 3-6,) their Learning with Parents Mathscot (years 1-2) or their favourite number (EYFS.) **HERE** are just a few photos from the day. Enjoy!

This week DHK have highlighted kindness as part of Anti-Bullying Week. Children thought about how they could use one kind word or action to start a ***kindness ripple effect***. As part of Anti-Bullying Week, children created their own design to answer the question: **How will you be a kind friend?** The designs will be entered into a competition and winners will receive their design printed on a tote bag. You can see just some of their fantastic designs **HERE!**

The end of term is quickly approaching and children are starting to practise for their Christmas performances. **Friday the 10th of December** is our **Christmas school lunch** as well as **Christmas Jumper Day** in aid of Save the Children. We will be collecting £1 to support this worthwhile charity. Put the date in your diary and why not start making and decorating your very own Christmas jumper with your children. We want to encourage families to **reduce – reuse – recycle**. Click here to see how you can make our own, sustainable, Christmas jumpers using items you may already have at home **HERE**, **HERE** and **HERE.**

This time of year can be challenging for families and add to worries about money. Southwark have published The *Worrying About Money?* leaflet which is a simple and straightforward resource for people facing financial crisis. It offers a quick way to see what advice is available and which local agencies are best placed to help. You can read the leaflet **HERE.**

Wishing our school community a restful weekend.

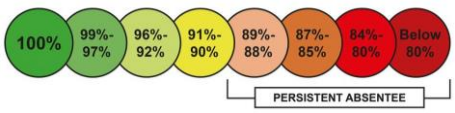
Barbara Ghezzi

Hola!

Learning is fun and learning Spanish should not be any different. Children practise and learn Spanish using songs, actions and games. Here are Elm playing snakes and ladders to practise and learn their numbers in Spanish.

Attendance Matters

Your child's school attendance is very important and we are here to help. If you need support to increase your child's attendance, please contact **Ms Shirley Nichols**, our attendance and safeguarding lead.



Which CIRCLE are you in?

Dulwich Hamlet

We are excited to announce that *Team Get Involved* are supporting DKH to take part in the Dulwich Hamlet Community Ticket Scheme.

This means that 150 DKH families can apply for up to 4 **FREE** tickets to the **Dulwich Hamlet Fixture on 4th December 2021 - Dulwich Hamlet vs Ebsfleet**.

Please follow the link **HERE** to apply for your free tickets.

All ticket requests must be submitted by 5pm on Friday, the 3rd of December 2021.

Once your request has been completed, you will be added to the guest list for this match.

On the match day, please enter the stadium via the main reception entrance and say you are on the community guest list.

Tickets will issued on a first come, first serve basis.

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Dates for the Diary

24.11.21	School Photos (EYFS and sibling photos)
25.11.21	School Photos (Years 1 – 6)
03.12.21	Year 5 Money Twist Workshop
07.12.21	Years 3 and 4 Brazilian Christmas
08.12.21	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Cantata
10.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children
10.12.21	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Songs
10.12.21	DKH Winter Fair
15.12.21	Class Parties
16.12.21	Last day of term – 2pm finish
17.12.21	Staff Inset Day – No children
20.12.21 – 03.01.22	School Holidays – **EARLY FINISH 2pm**
04.01.22	Staff Inset Day – No children
05.01.22	Staff Inset Day – No children
06.01.22	Children return to school
03.02.22	Beech Class Bikeability
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07.02.22	Cedar Class Bikeability
08.02.22	Cedar Class Bikeability
09.02.22	Eucalyptus Class Bikeability
09.02.22	Eucalyptus Class Bikeability
14.02.22 – 18.02.22	February Half Term
21.02.22	Children return to school
22.02.22	Year 6 Southwark Junior Citizenship scheme

Attendance

Cherry	**94.2%**	**Cedar**	**92.3%**
Elder	**96.1%**	**Sycamore**	**97.2%**
Palm	**98%**	**Hazel**	**95.7%**
Beech	**97.4%**	**Elm**	**98.8%**
Eucalyptus	**98.7%**	**Maple**	**95%**

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	**Kaira**, for always being a kind and caring friend.
Reception	**Reuben**, for his incredible mental maths!
Cherry	**Mariatu**, for her wonderful attitude to her learning. She always tries her best and is so enthusiastic!
Elder	**Yva**, for being such an inquisitive scientist during our materials investigation.
Palm	**Monisola**, for always working hard, helping others and having a great attitude to her learning
Beech	**Z'Niyah**, for her excellent work in maths and use of concrete representations to explain multiplication problems.
Eucalyptus	**George**, for his politeness and kindness to others, thoughtfulness for his peers and their shared environment and for his love of learning and determination to do his best.
Cedar	**Uthman**, for being a good role model on how to use the tools in his Zones of Regulation tool box.
Sycamore	**Naz**, for showing our school value of resilience towards all of her school work!
Hazel	**Izaiah**, for a fantastic effort in everything he does!
Maple	**Kaeson**, for always using any spare time in class valuably by reading a book and being a joy to teach.
Elm	**Yuan**, for excellent effort in English. Keep it up!

Charles's Friday Facts

By Charles, Year 3

Did you know a camel's hump stores fat, which the camel can use as water and energy when other sources are not available?

Did you know that camels have three eyelids to protect their eyes from the sand?

Note from the Office

Parents and carers can **express an interest** in Spring Term clubs by using this link Click here. Please complete the form no later than the 10th of December.

If your child is allocated a place, you will then receive a BLUE letter of confirmation.

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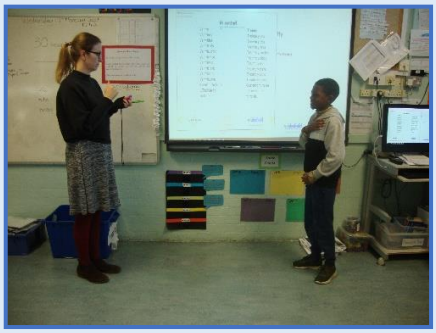
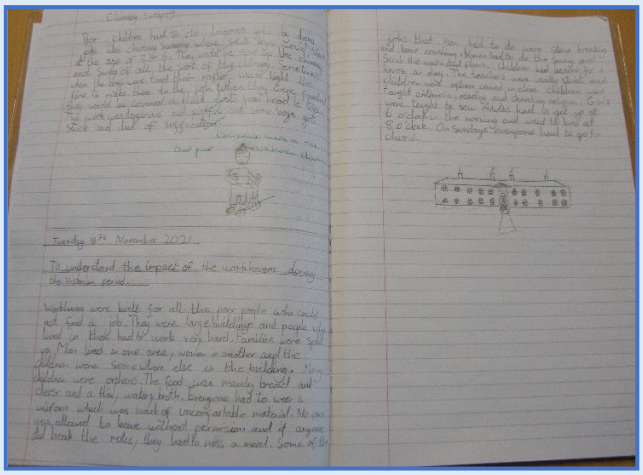
Have a look at some of the great learning Year 5 have been up to!



We learned how to count in **Spanish** while taking our pulse rate.

In **music**, we have started practising for our winter performance. We are looking forward to delighting parents and carers with our **Christmas Cantata** on Wednesday, the 8th of December, in the school playground from 3:30 to 4:30pm.



We learned about the impact of workhouses on children during the Victorian times. We used what we learned to inform our **writing**.

You can learn more about what life was like for children in the workhouses here.

During **English** we used a conscious alley to consider a character's action as well as drama to explore and discuss the life of Victorian children and their experiences in the workhouses.

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Do you want to win an amazing prize?

DKH is excited to announce a a great maths competition with a **fantastic prize.**

Children in year 1 to 6 have the opportunity to use Maths with Parents (years 1-2) or Times Tables Rock Stars (years 3-6). These on-line resources are fun and engaging ways children can practise and consolidate their mathematical skills.

Children who play will have their names entered into a raffle.

At the end of the competition, one name will be drawn. This child will receive **4 premium, suite level tickets to attend Disney on Ice at the O2 on the 28th of December 2021.**

(The small print: Tickets are for 4 seats in a suite. Tickets are non-transferable or ex-changeable for cash. At least one adult must attend. Food or drink is not included in the prize. Travel not included.)

If you are unsure how to access **Maths with Parents** or **Time Tables Rock Stars**, please speak with your child's class teacher.

Disney on Ice presents: *Find your Hero*

DKH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Nordmann Fir trees sourced from sustainable plantations in Denmark and Scotland.

All profits go back into supporting the school via the DKH Friends charity.

3-4ft £25 • 4-5ft £27 • 5-6ft £32 • 6-7ft £38 • 7-8ft £47

To preorder a tree visit **dkh-friends-store.myshopify.com** by **Friday Nov 24th 2021**
Or if you prefer to order direct please email friends@dkh.southwark.sch.uk

Your tree will be available to pick-up from Dog Kennel Hill Primary School car park (entrance on Dog Kennel Hill Rd SE22 8AB)
Between 10.00am and 3.00pm on Saturday Dec 4th

Parking available

DOG KENNEL HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO

A WINTER FAIR UNDER THE STARS

FRIDAY 10 DEC
3.15-5.30PM

FOOD	MUSIC	GAMES
MULLED WINE	STALLS & PRIZES	FESTIVE RAFFLE

Feeling overwhelmed? Trying to manage the stresses of parenting?

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