



Thought of the Week

Our lives begin to end the day we are silent about things that matter. ~ Dr Martin Luther King Jr

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Consultation for joining the Nexus Trust

Parents and Carers were emailed the consultation documents on 28 February 2022 and weekly text reminders regarding the consultation are being issued. You can find these documents on our school website [HERE](#). Every Monday we will add to the FAQs raised by the community. Our responses to any questions will be under the new date e.g. 7th March responses and would capture any questions raised the week before. Please do have a read of these updates.

Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club

Breakfast and afterschool club is provided by TreeTops, every day at DKH. TreeTops have updated their website, making it easier parents and carers to find important information and to make bookings. You can use this [LINK](#) to find out more.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening is being held virtually on the **23rd and 24th of March**. These meetings are a great chance to discuss how your children are doing in their class and in school generally, with their teachers. They can help decide how best to work together to support your children's achievements. If you have not booked your appointment, please contact your child's class teacher to make a parents' evening appointment.

DKH Ukraine Appeal

The news about the Ukraine has effected many of our children and they are aware of the current crisis. The **DKH School Council** displayed our school value of **empathy** when they decided they wanted to **help**. They have produced flyers requesting donations to support those impacted by the crisis in the Ukraine and we will be collecting items including warm clothing, blankets, basic healthcare items and tinned food at the main gate.

Wishing our school community a restful weekend.

Barbara Ghezzi



The Hunt for Frog Spawn!

Our Early Years children and team at **Forest School** enjoyed their usual outdoor learning fun. They were on the hunt for Frog Spawn and were so pleased to find so much of it! Our amazing wildlife pond was full so they are expecting a lots of frogs to join them this spring and summer.

After all of their hard work and fun was over, they tidied up and sat down to some delicious hot chocolate and marshmallows! We took some pictures of our fun Forest School day, which can be seen [HERE!](#)



Information for parents and carers on COVID-19 vaccination for at risk 5 to 11 year olds

Children aged 5 to 11 years who are in a clinical risk group or who live with someone who is immunosuppressed can get the COVID-19 vaccine, in line with advice set out by the [Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation \(JCVI\)](#).

Eligible children include those with diabetes, immunosuppression, learning disabilities, and other conditions as outlined by the [UK Health Security Agency \(UKHSA\) in the Green Book](#).

Vaccinations help to increase protection against COVID-19, which is particularly important for those with underlying health conditions.

Further information is available in the [guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years](#) published by UKHSA. The DfE have published some [frequently asked questions](#) on the vaccination programme including information on eligibility, accessibility and advice for parents of children at high risk from COVID-19.

Following [advice](#) from the JCVI, healthy 5 to 11 year old children will also be offered two 10 microgram doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. The NHS will prepare to extend this non-urgent offer to all children during April.



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Dates for the Diary



11.03.22 – 18.03.22	Science Week
11.03.22	Percussion Festival Rehearsal
14.03.22	Classical Road Show – Years 3 and 4
15.03.22	Percussion Festival for Samba and African Percussion Ensemble
15.03.22	Year 4 Multiplications Table Check meeting
16.03.22	Steel Pan Performance 3:15 – 3:45
23.03.22	EYFS meet with PC Hazel
23.03.22	Parent Evenings
24.03.22	Parent Evenings
25.03.22	Year 6 Junior Citizenship Scheme
29.03.22	Year 2 Butterfly Conservation Workshop
29.03.22	Choir and Samba Performance in the playground 3.15-4.30
01.04.22	Last day of the Spring Term – 2pm finish
04.04.22 – 19.04.22	Easter Break
20.04.22	Children return to school

Attendance

Cherry	90.6%	Cedar	98.9%
Elder	93.9%	Sycamore	96.9%
Palm	97.6%	Hazel	96.2%
Beech	98.2%	Elm	93.7%
Eucalyptus	95.8%	Maple	95.7%

Charles's Friday Facts

By Charles, Year 3

Did you know that a polar bear can eat forty-five kilograms of seal meat in one meal but can go six months without any food at all?

You can learn more about polar bears [here](#).



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	Lianne , for such fantastic name writing. Keep up the great work!
Reception	Sofia , for her fantastic attitude to learning!
Cherry	David , for focusing really well during carpet lessons and contributing great ideas to class discussions.
Elder	Muhydeen , for excellent focus in his phonics sessions.
Palm	Grace , for working hard in all subjects and always trying her best.
Beech	Owen , for his continued positive attitude towards his work and his class friends.
Eucalyptus	Sahaila , for her love of learning.
Cedar	Maleek , for his great focus in maths!
Sycamore	Zaira , for writing an informative report on NASA in English.
Hazel	Sireen , for a fantastic effort in her literacy and mathematics this week.
Maple	Ines , for always being inquisitive, creative and hard-working.
Elm	Layan , for showing outstanding dedication towards her learning!

Staffing news

As you know, **Ms Sketchley** was due to start her maternity leave at the end of the spring term. Although Ms Sketchley desperately wanted to work until the end of term, she has, upon medical advice, had to take leave with immediate effect. We wish her and her baby well.

Ms Kadri who has worked with Cherry Class before, and will be taking over Elder Class in the summer term, will be teaching Cherry Class on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. **Mrs Tu** will continue to teach Cherry Class on Thursdays and Fridays.

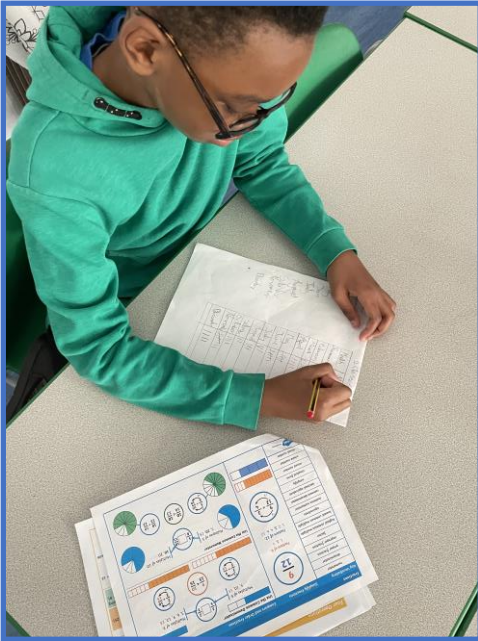
We would also like to welcome **Miss Rahman** who is completing her teaching training with us and will be working with Ms McCoy in Palm Class until the end of the summer term.



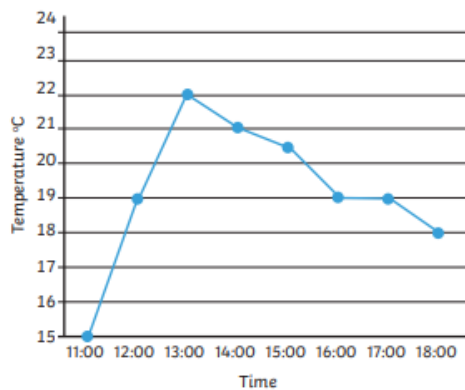
Message from The Friends of DKH

World Book Day was a great success with children having lots of fun in the playground, receiving their World Book Day books and supporting the Used Book Sale.

The event raised **£116** which will be used to purchase beanbags for the library. Huge thanks to Rye Books on North Cross Road which supplied all the World Book Day books to the school. **They are offering 10% off to all parents and carers of DKH until 3 April.** Quote the code DKHWBD when paying.



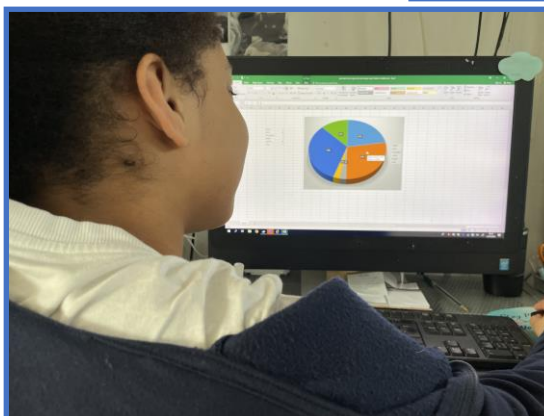
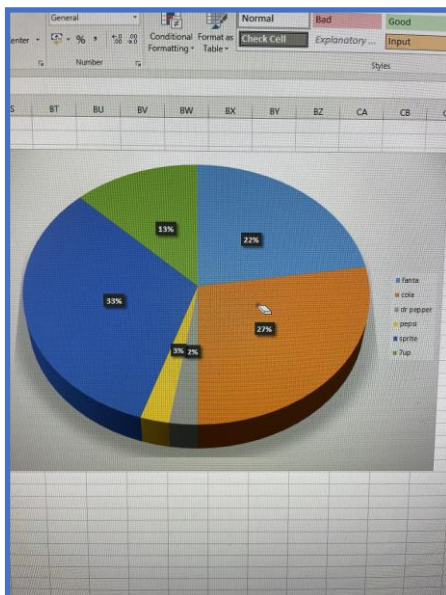
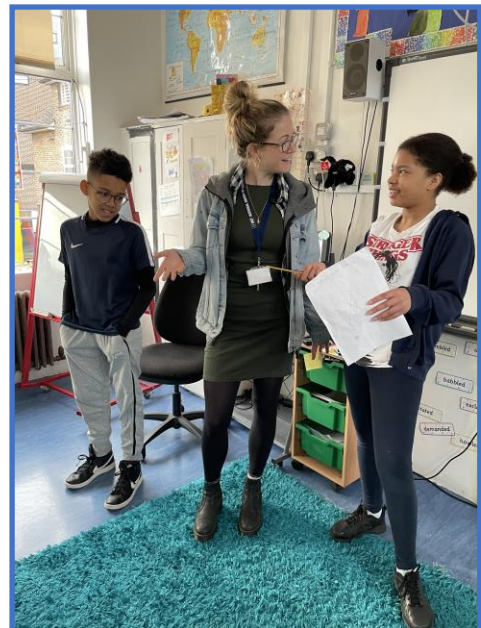
1. A Line Graph Showing the Temperature of a Day in August



- What was the temperature at 17:00?
- What time was the highest temperature recorded?
- At which times was the temperature less than 19°C?
- What was the difference in temperature between the lowest and highest temperature?

In Maths, **Year 6** have been learning about ratio, statistics and pie charts.

They came up with their own questions to gather data and then compiled their data onto a computer - turning them into pie charts.



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TO YEAR 6



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