



Thought of the Week

You are the sky. Everything else is just the weather. – Pema Chödrön

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to say a huge **well done** to our **Year 6** pupils who made us so proud with their hard work and dedication to their learning. On the Monday, the Local Authority dropped in to see SATs administration and commented that our Year 6 pupils were *incredibly focused, well behaved and showed true commitment to their learning*. I could not agree more. Year 6 celebrated their hard work and the end of SATs with some much needed fun and laughter at the Adventure Playground. You can share in the smiles HERE. Well done Year 6!

We also received an email from Hearn Hill School, thanking our **Year 5 Steel Pan Band**. I would like to share an excerpt from their communication: "[The children] worked extremely hard, not only with two performances, but also in delivering a full day of workshops for Reception and KS1 classes. It was back-to-back sessions, and their collective stamina was incredible! The children acted as the perfect ambassadors for DKH and were simply delightful. They were so polite, friendly, confident and kind towards the younger children when interacting with them, not only during the workshop, but also when they were having shared breaks in the playground. They were a real credit to DKH." **Bravo to our Steel Pan Band and Mrs Omoniyi!** You really exemplified our school values.

EYFS had a special visit from PC Hazel who talked about the role of the police and how the police help and serve the community. We took some photos of the visit and you can see them <u>here.</u>

The Summer Term is an exciting term with many planned activities. Please see the Dates for the Diary in the newsletter. It is also the term where we teach **Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)**. Please see page 4 of this newsletter for more information.

The days are getting longer and warmer and **Mindful in May** is the perfect way to appreciate these changes. The idea is simple, 10 minutes of mindfulness every day. There are some ideas below to get you started. Next week is **Walk to School Week** so it is the perfect excuse to walk and be mindful!

The Friends of DKH will be holding a **bake sale** on Thursday the **19th of May** 2022, after school. Proceeds of the sale will go towards the GoFundMe page created for **Ms Gustaffe**. We look forward to seeing you there and enjoying delicious cakes for a cause close to our hearts. See the flyer on the last page of this newsletter.

Wishing our school community a restful weekend.

Barbara Ghezzi

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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY **SATURDAY** Meaningful May 2022 Focus on Send your Look for Do something Take a step Make a list Let someone what you can friend a photo people doing kind for towards an know how much of what matters do rather from a time good and someone you important goal, they mean to reasons to be eally care about however small vou and why and why you can't do together cheerful Look around Listen to a What values Set yourself Be grateful Find out about Get outside are important for things that favourite piece for the little a kindness and notice to you? Find bring you a of music and things, even in difficult times mission to help traditions of the beauty in remember what ways to use sense of awe others today another culture nature it means to you and wonder Show your Do something Find a way Send a hand-Reflect on Share photos at the sky. to make what to contribute written note to what makes you of 3 things you Remember people who are you do today find meaningful to your local someone you feel valued and we are all part helping to make care about purposeful community meaningful or memorable of something things better bigger Make Ask Remember Recall three Find a way Do something choices that someone else an event in your life that how your actions make special and to help a project what matters have a positive or charity you revisit it in your care about are proud of memory tonight others today and why meaningful for others Ser Ser Find three Today do Share a something to quote you find reasons to be inspiring to give **Happier** · Kinder · Together ACTION FOR HAPPINESS <





Dates for the Diary



16.05.22 – 20.05.22	KS1 SATs
16.05.22	Walk to School Week
17.05.22	Year 6 Kew Gardens
20.05.22	Year 6 Cricket Competition
27.05.22	London History Day
30.05.22	Half Term Starts
07.06.22	Children return to school
07.06.22 – 10.06.22	Year 6 School Journey
09.06.22	EYFS visit to Copleston Church
09.06.22	Year 5 Quadkids Competition
13.06.22	EYFS and KS1Drama Workshop
13.06.22	Year 6 Healthy Eating Workshop
13.06.22	Year 5 Cook Off
13.06.22	Years 3 and 4 World Foods
14.06.22	Eucalyptus Rounders Competition
16.06.22	Year 1 and 2 Five Senses Workshop
17.06.22	EYFS Hungry Caterpillar Workshop
20.06.22	Hazel Athletics Competition
21.06.22	Cedar Athletics Competition
27.06.22	Art Week begins
28.06.22	DKH Arts Parade
23.06.22	Class Photos
02.07.22	DKH Summer Fair
04.07.22	SEND Festival of Sailing
11.07.22	EYFS and Year 1 Sports Day
12.07.22	Year 5 Online Safety/Awareness
13.07.22	Year 6 Online Safety/Awareness
14.07.22	Reports presented to parents / carers
15.07.22	Year 2 – 6 Sports Day
18.07.22	Children meet their new teacher
19.07.22	Parent Drop in Session
21.07.22	Last Day of School – 2pm finish

Attendance

Cherry	94.2%	Cedar	97%
Elder	95%	Sycamore	96.2%
Palm	98.1%	Hazel	95.7%
Beech	98.9%	Elm	97.6%
Eucalyptus	95.7%	Maple	100%

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	Koa , for his fantastic observations of the caterpillars.	
Reception	Raya, for always being thoughtful.	
Cherry	Aliyan, for super learning behaviour, always sitting beautifully in assembly and trying his best.	
Elder	Daniel , for working extremely hard on his handwriting.	
Palm	Dylan , for his consistently positive attitude towards his learning!	
Beech	Charles, for such a positive attitude to his learning!	
Eucalyptus	Hillary , for her focus and ambition in writing her diary entry.	
Cedar	Xavier , for engagement in maths lessons on area and perimeter	
Sycamore	Bella , for settling in really well to DKH and with such a positive attitude.	
Hazel	Taliah , for a huge effort in all her learning and showing a great attitude to learning, even when the task is difficult.	
Maple	All of Maple Class for their hard work, resilience and determination during SATs week.	
Elm	All of Elm Class for the maturity and dedication they have shown and maintained during SATs week.	

Charles's Fun Friday Facts



By Charles, Year 3

Did you know ripe bananas appear blue under a black light? Did you know that it takes 100,000 years for the light from the core of the sun to reach the surface of the sun?

You can learn more about the sun here!

If your child is good with deadlines and would like to contribute to the newsletter, please speak with Barbara Ghezzi, Head of School.

Congratulations!

Well done to Michaiah in Maple Class who achieved a distinction in her Grade 3 Musical Theatre exam!





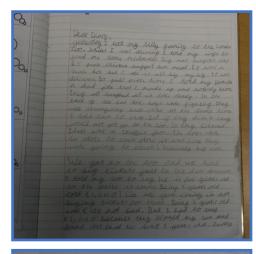




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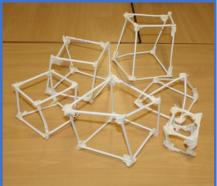
Children in **year 3 and 4** have been writing diary entries based on Zoo by Anthony Browne, creating quilt patches based on the story *Tar Beech* and the artist Faith Ringgold as well as learning about 3D shapes by creating their own and exploring the properties of quadrilaterals.

You can see just some of their fantastic work, below as well as more of their beautiful quilt patches **HERE**!





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Our Curriculum

Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) will be taught after the May half term. It is compulsory for all primary school children to receive relationship education. At DKH we follow the Christopher Winter's Project which builds on learning from previous years and revisits topics each year to cover them in greater depth. It includes lesson material on topics such as keeping clean, families, gender differences, personal space, puberty, relationships and many other topics. You can find more information HERE as well as a video answering FAQs HERE.







Walk to School Week

May is national walking month and the 16th to 20th of May is Walk to School Week. The DKH School Council has a challenge for our school community:

We want everyone who can to walk to school whenever they can. We want you to walk to school and walk home. Walking to school is really good exercise so you can grow your leg muscles. It's also good for the environment because if you use a car to go to school it creates pollution. Pollution damages the environment. Look out for our flyers with more information – that means the teachers as well. If you walk to school, you should count your footsteps. Whoever walks the most will win a prize! May the best walker win!

You can also find some fun Walk to School Week activities the whole family can enjoy on pages 4 to 7 of this newsletter and here.

Can we help?

Do you walk to school or use a sustainable transport method to get to school? We would like to know how to make it easier for our families to walk, cycle, scooter or even dance their way to school. If you have a suggestion, we would like to hear from you! Please complete our Google Form by following this link: https://forms.gle/JVczxht2FBrPBU1i8





























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Living Streets is the UK charity for everyday walking and the people behind the Walk to School campaign. Find out more at:

LIVINGSTREETS.ORG.UK

A dog

Fountain



Post box



Road cone

Street light

Gate

Park bench

Pedestrian crossing

Telephone box

Feather

Twig

Pebble



Butterfly

Brown leaf

Flower

Green leaf



Something smooth

Puddle

Squirrel

Something yellow

Ladybird

A foot print









To raise money on behalf of Ms Gustaffe's family



Thursday 19th May - Main playground after school

Please bring your bakes and shop bought goodies to the office on the day