



## Thought of the Week

Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength. – Dalai Lama

## A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was World Refugee Week and our assembly looked at the challenges that refugees face, honoured their courage and celebrated how the UK, throughout history, has been shaped by their positive contributions. Children were encouraged to focus on their school value of **empathy** as they reflected on how some people in our world face terrible suffering that forces them to flee their homes.

Our school value of **empathy** then became our focus for the week and the children chosen for this week's Star of the Week were identified by their class teachers as being good role models for this value. Well done to each of them.

This week was also **Sports Week** and pupils took part in various athletic events including a Beat-the-Goalie Competition. DKH were excited to welcome Toby Cowell, goal keeper from Dulwich Hamlet Football club, who support the competition. Our very own Kalina, in Eucalyptus Class, took and edited some great photos to capture some of the special moments. You can see them [HERE!](#)

This year, some of our Year 5 pupils are taking part in **Southwark Splash**. They are working on a dance routine which they will then perform at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July at 6pm. All are welcome! You can join in the fun and practise the dance routine by following a tutorial [here!](#)

Wishing our school community a relaxing weekend.

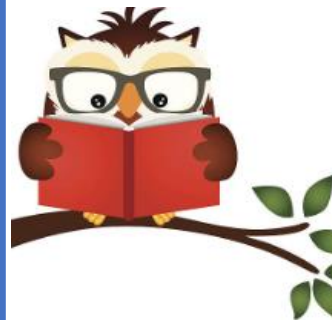
Barbara Ghezzi

## EYFS Reading Cafe

We are excited to inform you that our Reading Café will be coming back to EYFS. The Reading Café was highly successful before the pandemic and we are looking forward to starting it up again.

The Reading Café is an opportunity for you to support your child's reading development, learn new strategies to help them when reading and more importantly enjoy some quality time with your child over a book without the normal hustle and bustle of home life. **The sessions will be every week on a Thursday from 8:30 – 9am.** You are invited to come along to the session with your child and share a book.

**This first session will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.** Parents and carers are to use the EYFS gate when attending the sessions and come directly to EYFS.



We can't wait to read with you!

## We Art at DKH!



Art Week begins on Monday and we can't wait! There are many fantastic activities planned including our **Arts Celebration Parade**, which will take place on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 1:45.** Children will play instruments they designed themselves, following our theme of *Reduce – Reuse – Recycle*. They will walk along the pavement that circles the school starting from the EYFS gate, walking down the hill to Bromar Road, past the Albrighton Centre and back up the hill to the car park where we will gather to hear the DKH Steel Pan Band. Music and laughter will fill air so find a good spot to enjoy our parade.

Don't forget the **BIG DRAW** on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June.** Parents, pupils and staff are invited to take part in this community event from **9.00- 9.30** on the playground. Everyone will be drawing on paper, the ground or white boards at the same time. Our theme this year is **Happiness!**

## Goodbye

We are sad to say that **Ms Larkin**, our office assistant, will be leaving DKH. Her last day is today, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of June.

Ms Larkin has decided to explore other opportunities and career progression.

We want to thank her for all of her hard work at DKH and wish her the very best for the future.



## Music Concert

We are delighted to announce that there will be a **music concert** for parents and carers on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 5 to 6pm**, at DKH. (The first one since October 2019!)

Please join us for this **musical celebration** and support our brilliant musicians.

Our steel band, choir, brass band as well as guitar, drum, violin and piano players will be performing!





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## Dates for the Diary



27.06.22	Art Week begins
28.06.22	DKH Arts Parade
30.06.22	DKH Big Draw
02.07.22	DKH Summer Fair
04.07.22	SEND Festival of Sailing
05.07.22	Year 5 and 6 Swimming trip
09.07.22	Year 6 Fix-a-Bike workshop
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
19.07.22	Year 6 Production of <i>Moana</i>
21.07.22	Last Day of School – 2pm finish
01.09.22	Staff INSET Day – No children
02.09.22	Staff INSET Day – No children
05.09.22	Children return to school – Autumn Term

## Attendance

Cherry	95.9%	Cedar	96.7%
Elder	94.4%	Sycamore	91.9%
Palm	99%	Hazel	98.7%
Beech	98%	Elm	96.8%
Eucalyptus	98.1%	Maple	97.1%

## 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	<b>Kaira</b> , for always looking out for others and ensuring that they are happy.
Reception	<b>Ariyah</b> , who always thinks of others.
Cherry	<b>Camari-Lee</b> , for always looking after members of our class and always being aware of other people's feelings.
Elder	<b>James</b> , for always showing empathy and kindness to all around him.
Palm	<b>Hannah</b> , for cheering people up when they are lonely in the playground!
Beech	<b>Maile</b> , for always showing care and consideration for her peers.
Eucalyptus	<b>Jack</b> , for being a kind, caring and empathic member of the class – always looking out for others.
Cedar	<b>Kaychanel</b> , for looking after others, being a great friend and super addition to Cedar Class.
Sycamore	<b>Isis</b> , for demonstrating empathy towards others by listening and taking on advice.
Hazel	<b>Nuran</b> , for being kind and empathic towards her classmates.
Maple	<b>Karl</b> , for showing such mature and caring behaviour all week - so proud!
Elm	<b>Mateen</b> , for being very encouraging to his classmates during the weekly swimming session.

## Charles's Summer Facts

By Charles, Year 3

**Did you know** that a group of penguins on land is called a waddle but a group of penguins in the water are called a raft?

**Did you know** that penguins have evolved to fly underwater? They have solid bones unlike other birds, which have hollow bones.

You can learn more about penguins [here!](#)

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



## We love LEARNING

Sports Week has seen a lot of competition and this was particularly evident when Eucalyptus Class dared Palm Class to take part in the Bean Bag Bombardment Challenge. It was a tightly contested battle with Palm Class coming out as victors. There was a lot of determination, enthusiasm and sportspersonship from pupils (and teachers)!



### Summer of Food and Fun

This summer, Southwark Council will be hosting **Southwark's Summer of Food and Fun**. They will be collaborating with local holiday club providers across the borough to provide an exciting programme of meals and activities for children and young people in our local communities.

**Free** places are available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are **eligible for free school meals**. The programme wants to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the summer holidays.

Find out more [here](#).

### Are You on Time?

Learning takes place at every point in the day and children's punctuality is important. Being on time ensures children do not miss any vital learning and also allows them to settle in to routines and develop good habits which will support them in later life.

Better late  
than never  
**But never late  
is better**







## THE RETURN OF THE Dog Kennel Hill School Summer Fair

WITH LIVE MUSIC  
BBQ  
BOUNCY CASTLE  
AND MUCH MUCH MORE

**Saturday July 2nd  
12-4pm**



## Dog Kennel Hill School Summer Fair

Thinking of having a clear out  
over half term ?

The friends will welcome donations of  
good quality old games, toys, teddies and  
books for our bric a brac store.

Do you have any unwanted  
gifts lying around?  
We can use them on our tombola,  
so would love them too!!



## HOLIDAY CLUB

Holiday Clubs coming  
to a school near you

Tree Tops Clubs have been running Holiday Clubs for more than 6 years and has a team of over 300 staff that work across our UK Clubs. We work with over 80 schools and are providing Ofsted registered childcare.



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### A typical day at Tree Tops Clubs

8:00am-10:00am Early Club  
10:00am-10:45am Hello Zone  
10:45am-11:00am Snack and Drink  
11:00am-11:45am Activity 1  
11:45am-12:30pm Activity 2  
12:30pm-1:15pm Lunch Time and Chill Out  
1:15pm-2:00pm Activity 3  
2:00pm-2:45pm Activity 4  
2:45pm-3:00pm Snack Time  
3:00pm-3:45pm Farwell Time  
4:00pm-6:00pm Late Club



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## 50 Things App is now available in Southwark!

Download the app on your phone to make best use of Southwark's local libraries, museums and parks.



Scan the QR Code with your smartphone to take you to the 50 Things App!



Scan Me!



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## What is 50 Things To Do Before You're Five?

50 Things App is a collection of 50 fun activities you can try with your child. All activities listed on the app are either free or at low cost.

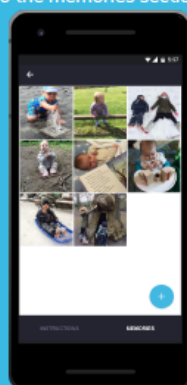
Each and every one of these activities will uniquely challenge your child to develop their confidence, build their communication and language skills and encourage learning. The activities have been written by education experts and early years practitioners to meet pre-school literacy priorities and help schools respond to Ofsted's challenge to improve low literacy levels in children.

50 Things aims to provide inspiration for parents and carers to connect and bond with children through a range of activities. All suggestions we have included are low-cost or no-cost experiences that include indoor, outdoor, seasonal, home-based activities that are not only fun but will get your child to a flying start with their learning and language development. The app will help you understand the significant impact of playtime on children's development.



## Making Memories

Take a picture of your child while doing the activity and upload it onto the memories section on the app to have your own personal archive of your child completing the 50 activities. Click on the activity you want to complete, switch to the memories tab, click the '+' sign to add photo. Revisit, reflect and look back on those special moments you created with your child



Don't forget to explore the additional sections listed under the activity for more information.

## 50 Unique, Fun & Free activities, accessible to all!

### Special Educational Needs

The 50 Things activities have been designed to be accessible for children of all abilities, including those with Special Educational Needs. All of the ages and stages listed for the activities are suggestions only as all children have unique tastes, interests and abilities. You can try out activities which may be targeted toward different age groups if you think your child might enjoy it. The main priority is to have fun! Read tips and suggestions on the app on how you can personalise activities to be more suitable for your child's needs and make the activities as enjoyable and beneficial as possible for your child.

### Languages & Translation

We want our Mobile App to be as accessible and usable as possible for everyone in Southwark. Visit the 50 Things website at [Southwark.50ThingsToDo.org](https://Southwark.50ThingsToDo.org), which can be translated to over 200 languages. Read more to find out about resources available to you and your child to help make the best out of the 50 activities.

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