



Thought of the Week

In every day, there are 1,440 minutes. That means we have 1,440 daily opportunities to make a positive impact. – Les Brown

A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 1 parents and carers were invited to a **phonics parent information session** which reviewed the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check. Miss Butler also modelled a phonics session. If you were not able to attend, you can see what was covered [here](#).

Beech and **Eucalyptus** Class have been learning about ancient Egyptian hieroglyphs and creating their own hieroglyphs, which you can see [here](#). I am sure you will be impressed by their careful attention to detail.

I am so proud of our **Year 6 pupils** who, with the support of the Year 6 teaching team, have worked diligently to prepare for their **SATs** next week. They have been great role models for our school values of resilience and courage. It is vitally important that pupils have a good night's sleep and arrive at school on time, each day next week. If your child wears glasses, please ensure they bring them to school each day. Children in Year 6 will be able to enjoy our **breakfast club** each morning, next week. This allows our Year 6 pupils to start the day calmly, with their friends and with a hot breakfast to keep them going. If your child is taking part, please ensure they arrive at the school office at 8:00am.

The days are getting longer and warmer and **Mindful in May** (see page 4 of this newsletter) 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. **Walk to School Week** begins on the 15th of May and it is the perfect excuse to walk and be mindful!

Term dates for the academic year 2023 – 2024 have been confirmed and you can find them on our website, [here](#)

Finally, we are delighted to announce that we, have achieved the **School Games Bronze Mark Award** for the 2022/23 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Wishing our school community a restful bank holiday weekend.

Barbara Ghezzi

Our Curriculum

The **Relationship, Sex and Health Education (RSE) curriculum** became statutory in September 2020. Relationships and Sex Education supports and guides children and young people in lifelong learning about relationships, emotions, the human biology of sex and sexuality. It is **compulsory** for all primary school children to receive relationship education. At DKH we follow the Christopher Winter's Project.

We have a NEW video which provides detailed information about the RSE curriculum. You can see it as well as more information about RSE [HERE](#). RSE will begin after the May Half Term.

Coronation Picnic

Rain or shine DKH did not let the weather keep us from enjoying our coronation celebrations. Children across the school took part in a variety of activities focusing on this historic event.



Walk to School Week

Walk to School Week is just around the corner and this year, we are doubly excited about the week. As you may recall from an earlier newsletter, DKH earned a **Gold STARS award** as well as winning the **STARS Regional Influence Award**. DKH is committed to active travel. We know that active travel not only has great **health** benefits but supports **inclusion, sustainability, mindfulness and friendship**. The theme this year is *Walk with Wildlife* and we are encouraging our entire school community to walk, cycle and scoot to school every day of the week!

DKH Disco

A huge **thank you** to the **Friends of DKH** for all of their hard work in organising another fantastic school disco. It was great to see so many children and their families there. The disco raised over £600 which will go towards supporting a range of projects and initiatives, organised by the Friends, to provide pupils at DKH with additional opportunities and resources that enhance their school experience.

Can you help? All parents, carers and staff are automatically members of the Friends. If you would like to find out more and help DKH, please contact the Friends of DKH by email on friends@dkh.southwark.sch.uk



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Dates for the Diary



08.05.23	Bank Holiday for the coronation of King Charles
09.05.23	Year 6 SATs start this week
15.05.23	Walk to School Week
23.05.23	Year 1 Multi-Sports Trip
29.05.23 – 02.06.23	Half Term
05.06.23	Children return to school
12.06.23	Multiplication Tables Check for Year 4 begins
12.06.23 – 16.06.23	Healthy Eating Week
13.06.23	Eucalyptus Class Denmark Hill Platform Cricket Festival
14.06.23	Healthy School Matters Taster Session at 15:15
16.06.23	Year 6 University Taster Session
19.06.23 – 23.06.23	Year 6 School Journey
21.06.23	Year 2 visit to Tower of London
23.06.23	Year 5 visit to British Museum
26.06.23	Art Week begins
01.07.23	DKH Summer Fair
03.07.23 – 14.03.23	Year 5 and Year 6 Bikeability workshops
05.07.23	Year 6 Science workshop with Harris - Dulwich
10.07.23	EYFS and Year 1 Sports FUN Day
11.07.23	Spanish Day
13.07.23	School Reports distributed
17.07.23	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Sports FUN Day

Attendance

Caterpillar	96.36%	Eucalyptus	94.29%
Willow	98.86%	Sycamore	92.25%
Elder	94.58%	Hazel	93.14%
Palm	98.03%	Elm	96.15%
Beech	93.88%	Maple	95.65%

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	Nova , for always caring for others. Thierry , for being a great friend!
Reception	Aminah , for her fantastic independent writing this week! Sadie , for always looking out for others and making sure that everyone is happy!
Willow	Eqra , for always checking if others are okay and comforting friends when they are upset. Mubarak , for applying himself in his early morning work and answering maths sums independently.
Elder	Mohamed S , for always listening and following instructions. Sofie , for being able to successfully work well with other or independently, with great results!
Palm	Austin , for displaying empathy and kindness towards others. Jazmine , for her honest but empathetic discussion about friendship disagreements, where she was able to explain why all viewpoints were important.
Beech	Yva , for her great focus during maths sessions about angles and lines. Geoffrey, for his effort and focus during our Egyptian writing and topic lessons.
Eucalyptus	Amina , for caring about others and asking how they are each morning. Owen S , for this politeness and good manners to all.
Sycamore	Imrich , for his respect and honesty in difficult situations. Hillary , for her wonderful empathy and kindness to her fellow peers.
Hazel	George , for his consistently polite and respectful behaviour which shines through in all that he does.
Maple	Zion , for always willing to understand and support his peers whenever they need his help. Izaiah , for working well to improve his quality of writing.
Elm	Demi , for working extremely hard at editing her writing and during our revision sessions. Tia , for being an absolute star and work completing her work so well and independently.

Charles's Friday Facts By Charles, Year 4

Did you know that Google was founded in 1998 and Sun co-founder, Andy Bechtolsheim, was one of its first investors?

Did you know that the word Google comes from the term 'googol', which is the number one followed by a hundred zeroes? The creators chose it to reflect the huge amount of data they were searching through.

You can learn more about Google on BBC Newsround, [here](#).



We love LEARNING

Palm Class have been learning about the Egyptians and had a great time beginning the process of mummifying tomatoes.

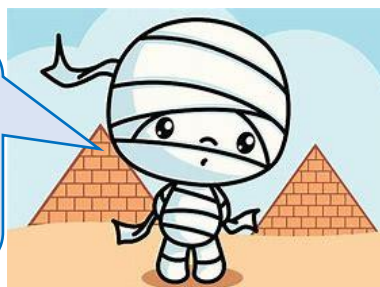
The children re-enacted the mummification process by using salt and bicarbonate of soda to preserve their tomatoes.

Will the tomatoes preserve well?

The children are looking forward to checking up on their tomatoes soon and hopefully, will be able to analyse whether they completed the process of mummification well.



You can learn more about mummification in ancient Egypt by clicking on the link, [HERE!](#)





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Meaningful May 2023

MONDAY

1 Do something kind for someone you really care about

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

TUESDAY

2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

WEDNESDAY

3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future

THURSDAY

4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why

FRIDAY

5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful

SATURDAY

6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

SUNDAY

7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight



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BABY & US

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Contact us: claire.gager@southwark.gov.uk
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Baby & Us is a 9 week **peer-led** group which helps parents **feel confident** for parenting & everyday life with your **new baby** (0-9 months old)

Starting **Thursday 11th May 2023** 10am-12pm

Venue: Rachel Leigh Community Hall,
32 Andrews Walk, London SE17 3JQ



HEALTHY ZONES

Parent session
(With free food tasters)

Date: Wednesday 14th
June 2023

Time: 3:15pm

Location: In the
playground / lunch hall

Dog Kennel Hill has been working on the Healthy Zones Project delivered by School Food Matters to spread awareness and embed our school food policy.

You're invited to this open session to learn more about our policy. In particular what a brilliant balanced packed lunch looks like, to taste food fit for a nutritious lunch and to let us know your thoughts about our school food policy.

We will also be handing out recipes for you to try at home!

