



## Thought of the Week

*Tell me and I'll forget. Teach me and I'll remember. Involve me and I will learn.* – Benjamin Franklin

## A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that the school year has reached its end, marking the final edition of this year's newsletter. This past year has been an extraordinary journey, brimming with learning, connections, memorable milestones, smiles, hellos and goodbyes.

In just a few days we will be saying **goodbye to the Year 6 Class of 2023**. We wish them well and hope they cherish the memories, the laughter, and the bonds they have made at DKH. We hope they carry these as they continue their journey, knowing that they have us cheering them on, every step of the way. Well done Year 6!

Please note, there are a range of **summer activities** available in Southwark with **free** places available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are eligible for free school meals. You can find out more, [here](#) and [here](#).

As your child gets older, it's likely they'll want a bit more independence or want to explore alone during the summer holidays. **But are they ready to stay home or go out alone?** The NSPCC has published some useful resources to support parents and carers in making this important decision. You can find them on the NSPCC website, by [clicking this link](#).

DKH in partnership with TGI is delighted to offer a **Mixed Age Sports Club**, starting in September. Please see page 4 of the newsletter for full details.

### Academy update

The meeting with NEXUS and Southwark Local Authority took place on 12<sup>th</sup> July and some progress has been made in regards to the lease agreement. We are awaiting a transfer date and will keep you updated.

Wishing our school community a **happy and safe summer break** and I look forward to welcoming you back on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Barbara Ghezzi

## Coffee Morning

Parents and carers are invited to join us for our first coffee morning of the new academic year. This event is designed to foster partnership with our school community. During the coffee morning, we will be hosting a brief session focused on pupil well-being, an essential aspect of our educational approach. We believe that a healthy and positive learning environment contributes greatly to their academic success. Moreover, this event offers a wonderful opportunity for parents to engage with the leadership team. The Coffee Morning will take place on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 9:05 in the Mary Seacole Building**.



## DKH Sports FUN Day

On Monday Nursery to Year 2 enjoyed their Sports FUN Day. Children took part in a morning filled with an array of timeless favourites and then enjoyed a picnic lunch.

You can see photographs from the day [HERE](#), including evidence of a **highly competitive parents race and a staff race!** We are looking forward to KS2 taking part in their Sports FUN Day, on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> and will share photos on our website.



## Hola!

Our annual Spanish Day was a huge success. **Spanish Day** was a whirl of Spanish, art, music and food tasting! Children participated in a Spanish fusion dance workshop and learnt about the geography and culture of their class's chosen country. They produced some amazing, colourful artwork inspired by artists and also created interesting fact files. It was wonderful to hear Spanish being spoken throughout the school and to see the excitement around learning. Children enjoyed listening to Spanish stories which included vocabulary we have been practising throughout the year. '**Gracias**' to all our parent volunteers who came in to read a Spanish story to classes! A huge **thank you** to **Ms Sketchley** for all of hard work in organising this brilliant event!





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## Dates for the Diary



17.07.23	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 Sports FUN Day
18.07.23	Children meet their new teachers
19.07.23	Year 6 Graduation
19.07.23	<b>Last Day – 2pm finish</b>
04.09.23– 05.09.23	Autumn Term Starts - INSET Days – No children
04.05.23	Teacher INSET day – no children
05.05.23	Teacher INSET day – no children
06.09.23	<b>Children return to school for the Autumn Term</b>
07.09.23	Parent Coffee Morning
11.09.23	Year 1 Meet the Teacher Session 15:30
12.09.23	Year 2 Meet the Teacher Session 15:30
13.09.23	Year 3 Meet the Teacher Session 15:30
14.09.23	Year 4 Meet the Teacher Session 15:30
14.09.23	Year 3 Swimming starts
15.09.23	Year 5 and 6 Meet the Teacher Session 15:30
22.09.23	Jeans for Genes Day

## Attendance

Caterpillar	89.18%	Eucalyptus	95.82%
Willow	94.76%	Sycamore	92.79%
Elder	93.34%	Hazel	94.23%
Palm	95.93%	Elm	94.32%
Beech	95.11%	Maple	93.73%

## 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	All of <b>nursery</b> for their wonderful, creative and imaginative approach to learning. You are superstars!
Reception	<b>Mayowa</b> , for settling in so well into his class and making lots of friends. <b>Tobias</b> , for using our construction materials so creatively to make fantastic props to support his play.
Willow	<b>Raya</b> , for being sensible and always setting a shining example to the rest of her peers. <b>Ariyah</b> , for progressing leaps and bounds with her writing this year. I am so proud of you!
Elder	<b>Samuel</b> and <b>Aiya</b> , for making a great start in Year 2. They both have a positive attitude and are willing to 'have a go' at everything...keep it up!
Palm	<b>Daniel</b> , for persevering and making a wonderful Colombian 'God's Eye' charm during our Spanish Day. <b>Uwaila</b> , for always showing a fantastic effort and attitude when approaching all tasks.
Beech	<b>Ziyad</b> , for great progress in his writing! <b>Seyram</b> , for his endless enthusiasm during learning time!
Eucalyptus	<b>Vanessa</b> , for always caring for others. <b>Owen S</b> , for his kindness.
Sycamore	<b>Ameen</b> , for his brilliant creativity in designing an under the water recycling comic story. <b>Illy</b> , for her excellent dedication in all lessons and her respectful manner to all.
Hazel	All of <b>Hazel Class</b> for their creative approach towards problem solving in maths. <b>Joju</b> , for setting a great example as a super learner!
Maple	All of <b>Maple Class</b> for their hard work in learning their lines and songs to produce a fantastic end of year production. We are all so proud!!
Elm	All of <b>Elm Class</b> for their hard work and commitment during rehearsals for the end of year production: <i>Oliver!</i>

## Charles's Friday Facts *By Charles, Year 4*

**Did you know** that the Baikal seal can hold it's breath for 1 hour underwater?

**Did you know** that Baikal seals are only found only in Lake Baikal in Russia?

You can learn more about Baikal seals [here](#).

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



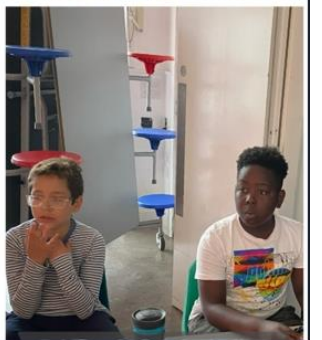


## We love LEARNING

The Elmlings and Maplings have been super busy this week. We took part in a flamenco workshop as part of Spanish Week. The playground is one of our favourite places where we can socialise and play together; we especially enjoy this after Wendy and her team's mouth-wateringly delicious lunches!

We sure will miss that a lot! Our week has been mostly filled with rehearsals for our end of year production: Oliver. As we count down our days left at Primary school, we are left with wonderful memories of DKH-we will certainly miss everyone and look forward to embarking on our future journeys. We still have so much to look forward to, next week at school, before we spread our wings.

"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened..." Dr Seuss



## TGI Mixed Age Sports Club Starting 6th September 2023



Children in Reception to Year 6 can take part in a TGI Mixed Age Sports Club at DKH.

Available Monday to Friday, term time only.

All payments to be made on **ARBOR**.

All payments to be made in **24 hours in advance** of attending the booked club.

Please note, bookings are non-refundable and cannot be transferred.

*Children should wear trainers and are encouraged to bring a healthy snack.*

Cost	
1 hour (mixed age sports) 15:30 - 16:30	£5.50
1 hour (games skills) 16:30 - 17:30	£5.50
2 hours (mixed age sports and game skills) 15:30—17:30	£9.50
10 hours Monday to Friday (mixed age sports and games skills) 15:30—17:30	£38.00





## **FAMILY DAY SAT 29 JULY, 12-4PM, FREE ENTRY**

You are invited to create, play and have fun!

Join us to celebrate Nigerian culture in Peckham.

Inspired by the South London Gallery's exhibition *Lagos, Peckham, Repeat: Pilgrimage to the Lakes*, join us for:

**ART AND CRAFTS  
FAMILY FRIENDLY TOURS  
STORYTELLING  
MUSIC  
DELICIOUS NIGERIAN FOOD**

Everyone is welcome, activities designed for ages 5-12.



**South London Gallery**  
65-67 Peckham Road, London SE5 8UH

**South London Gallery Fire Station**  
82 Peckham Road, London SE15 5LQ

**Travel info** Bus: 12, 36, 171, 343, 345 and 436  
Alight at Peckham Road/Southampton Way

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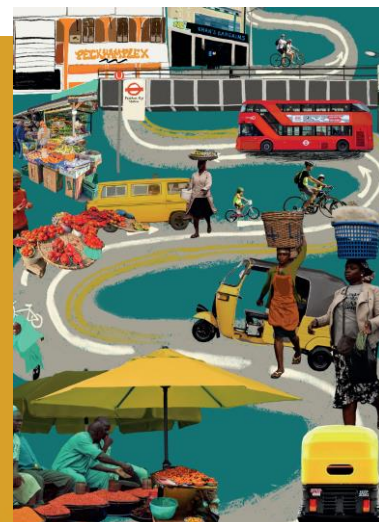


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