



DKH Newsletter 20th September 2024

A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been voting in our classes for 2 children who we would like to represent each class on our School Council! These children explained to their peers what they would like to do to support and improve Dog Kennel Hill school. They will meet regularly to act as the voice of their classes and help at many fantastic events throughout the year.

On **Monday 23rd September**, the 4 Year 6 representatives will have an opportunity to share what they would like to accomplish for DKH in Assembly. The Whole School will then vote to elect our School Council Chair and Vice Chair on **Friday 27th September** giving the children the opportunity to exercise their right of Democracy.

Year 2: Elder Class



Jedell

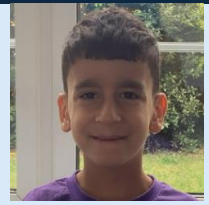


Daniella

Year 3: Beech Class



Chikaima



Aro

Year 4: Cedar Class



Morolake



Ioan

Year 5: Hazel Class



Layla



Shamira

Year 6: Maple Class



Alexander

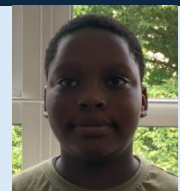


Kojo

Year 6: Oak Class



Austin



Emmanuel



Charles' Friday Fact



Did you know that '**tiger's eye**' (a gemstone) has been used as a guardian stone since Ancient times. It was even worn by Ancient Roman soldiers as a protective tool!

Makaton Sign of the Week

Every Monday the staff and the children will be learning a Makaton sign. Makaton is a language with speech, signs and symbols used to support people who have difficulty communicating. We teach it to all of our children and staff so that we can become even more inclusive as a school.

This week our Makaton signs were "**Please**" and "**Thankyou**". Please practice this at home too!

PLEASE



THANK YOU



★ Stars of the Week ★

We would like to recognize the children who have been great examples of our School values and have shown a true commitment to their learning. Well done!

Reception	Aysha: for practicing her name writing and having an amazing pencil grip. Zion: for always trying his best to sit beautifully on the carpet.
Willow	Enoch: for trying his best to settle in to his new class, making new friends and making sure everyone is happy. Jeffrey: for being a gentle and kind friend, looking after anyone in our class who is feeling a bit sad.
Elder	Jaheim: for his increased confidence when working independently – keep it up! Tobi: for using <u>all</u> his writing skills to write a new story based on a story we are reading in class.
Beech	Sofia: for contributing to class discussions and sharing her ideas with her peers. Mukbarak: for staying focused during Reading sessions and self-correcting to make sure the text makes sense.
Cedar	Kamron: for a helpful and kind attitude towards everybody. Mohamed: for really impressive vocabulary choices in your writing!
Hazel	Adam: for good work on place value of 6-digit numbers in maths this week Daisy: for being very creative in her setting description of Beowulf and Grendel
Maple	Kai: for being an absolute superstar always doing the right thing and trying incredibly hard with his learning! Dylan: for really challenging himself in Maths with multiplication and place value!
Oak	Emmie: for an outstanding descriptive piece of writing on Beowulf setting Jazmine: for her growing confidence in her learning and believing in herself



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Congratulations to DKH's Summer Reading Challenge Winner!

Favour in Maple Class took part in the Summer Reading Challenge and is a winner of a Grand Prize Draw for her fantastic reading throughout the Summer Holidays! She has been invited to a special prize giving event at the Una Marson Library which will be attended by amazing author Terrie Chilvers! Well done Favour!



Attendance

Caterpillar	92.5%	Willow	96.5%
Elder	93.3%	Beech	94.8%
Cedar	93.9%	Hazel	97.1%
Maple	97.4%	Oak	97%

National Jeans for Genes Day

We raised £91.50!

This **Friday 20th September**, we celebrated Jeans for Genes Day by wearing as much denim as possible! In Monday's Assembly we explored how the charity raises money to help support children living with genetic disorders. We collected donations, which will go towards funding projects that make a difference to the lives of those affected.



Year 6 Secondary Transfer Information

On Thursday DKH delivered Year 6 Secondary Transfer Information Sessions. If you missed these, the presentation and information booklets for Southwark and Lewisham have been emailed to you.

Complete your application at:

www.eadmissions.org.uk

Closing date: **Thursday 31st October 2024 at 11:59PM**



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A warm welcome to our new Music Teacher!

Emily has joined us from Southwark Music Hub as our second Music teacher. She has been teaching for over 18 years and has a background in singing! She will be teaching children in Key Stage 2 on a Wednesday and leading the after-school Choir Club!



A warm welcome to our new Dance Teacher!



Chantal Joseph has joined us as our new Dance teacher! She owns her own Dance Company called Pioneer Dance which began in 2004. She will be teaching children in Key Stage 2 a range of dance styles, striving to build confidence and self esteem!

Design Technology Week

Next week Mrs Marie Kelly-Roberts has organised some fantastic Design and Technology activities for the children in every class to complete. Each teacher will be doing a class swap, teaching a DT session in a different year group! Each class will also be making some delicious healthy snacks and there will be a competition where Mrs Galiema Amien-Cloete and Miss Leah Grant-Muller will be judging each class on the best muffins in DKH!



Cycle to School Week



From **Monday 23rd September- Friday 27th September** is **Cycle to School Week!** We want to encourage as many of you as possible to cycle to and from school for all or part of your journey. This is to promote cycling as a fun, healthy and environmentally friendly way to travel to school!

Please feel free to leave your bikes by the right hand side of the school entrance. Don't forget your helmets!



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Cedar Class Learning

We have been reading and writing about William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. The children have written character and setting descriptions and have created posters of Caliban.



11.9.24
Caliban is a hunched creature who lives in a gloomy, dark cave on a remote, desolate island. Because his mother, Sycorax (a witch) owned this beautiful island, Caliban expected to be King of the island after his mother's death. However, when a cunning, evil wizard was stranded (with his daughter) on the island, Caliban was mistreated.



THE TEMPEST

1. Prospero and Gonzalo were left in a boat with holes they were meant to die but they did not they landed on an island and they lived there for 12 years.

2. Then the ship carrying Prospero's father is on going by the island. Then the ship is casted by a strong spell and the ship is shipwrecked!

3. Ariel asked Prospero if she could help him. She said yes but she still have more work to do.

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Caliban meets Pinch and Sycorax and they had a plan to get Prospero off the island.



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We have also been listening to and responding to Vivaldi's Four Seasons (Winter) in our sketch books.





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Dates for your Diary

23/09/2024	Cycle to School Week. Children are encouraged to cycle to school every day
23/09/2024	Design Technology Week begins
23/09/2024	Oak Class @ Alleyns School PM for Computing Lessons
23/09/2024	Years 1-6 Mental Health Workshops with The Nest
24/09/2024	Maple Class and Oak Class TFL Travel Workshop
25/09/2024	Cedar Class @ Butterfly Tennis Club PM for Tennis Session
26/09/2024	Elder Class and Hazel Class London Fire Brigade Visit AM
30/09/2024	Black History Month Begins
02/10/2024	School Open Day for prospective parents
03/10/2024	Parents Coffee Morning in the Mary Seacole Building @ 9:00-10:00. An opportunity for you to meet with the leadership team
09/10/2024	School Open Day for prospective parents
10/10/2024	Hello Yellow Day. Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day
10/10/2024	Hazel, Maple and Oak Classes Viking Workshops
16/10/2024	School Open Day for prospective parents
18/10/2024	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
21/10/2024 -	School closed for half term holidays
01/11/2024	
04/11/2024	First Day back of School
06/11/2024	School Open Day for prospective parents



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Lunch Time Global Theme Day

On Friday 27th September, we will be celebrating a Global Theme Day, serving delicious Spanish delights at Lunch Time! Enjoy paella, patatas bravas and crema catalana!



On: FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2024

Hola!

MAINS

Spanish Chicken Paella
OR
Spanish Veggie Paella

SIDES

Peas
Patatas Bravas
Roasted Mediterranean Veg

DESSERT

Crema Catalana with Fruit
(Baked Orange & Vanilla Rice Pudding)

Comamos!



Breakfast and Afterschool Club



Come and join us for our Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs!

Breakfast club will start at 7.45am- This will include breakfast of cereal or toast and will cost £5.00 per day

After School club- Light snack and sports activities and games and will cost:

1 Hour £6.00

2 Hour £12.00

Full session (2 1/2 hours) £15.00

Snacks will only be offered to children staying over 1 hour.

We are able to offer a discount to families that wish to book a full week after school club and this is charged at £65.00 per week.

Wraparound Care (ASC) will not be suitable for Nursey pupils (5 years old+).

Please see Carrie in the Office for more information!

Club Donations

We would really welcome donations of games and jigsaws for our clubs! Please drop any off to the Office!



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Harvest Donations



This Harvest, DKH will be collecting items for the Southwark Foodbank to support families, ensuring that no one in our community goes hungry, especially as the colder months approach.

We will be collecting until the last day of Half Term on **Friday 18th of October**. Please drop any donations into the Office. **Please see the following lists for suitable donations.**

- Cereal**
- Tinned baked beans**
- Tinned meat (no pork)**
- Tinned tomatoes**
- Tinned vegetable/ meat soup**
- Tinned vegetables (sweetcorn, peas)**
- Tinned fish**
- Tinned fruit**
- Tinned pulses**
- Toilet roll**
- Pasta sauce**
- Teabags/ Coffee**
- Jam**