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## A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

This week we held our School Council Chair elections with our 4 Year 6 representatives! They each shared their presentations in Assembly on Monday, expressing what things they would like to achieve for the school. On Friday, each class then had the opportunity to come into the Hall to vote for who they wanted to elect. A big thank you to **Mr Tom Roche** for all the help setting up our very own DKH Polling Station!





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Each child cast their vote. After counting all the votes, I am thoroughly pleased to announce that our School Council Chair is Austin and Vice Chair is Kojo. We have also given the opportunity for Emmanuel and Alexander to have the responsibilities of Treasurer and Secretary.

**Chair**



**Austin**

**Vice Chair**



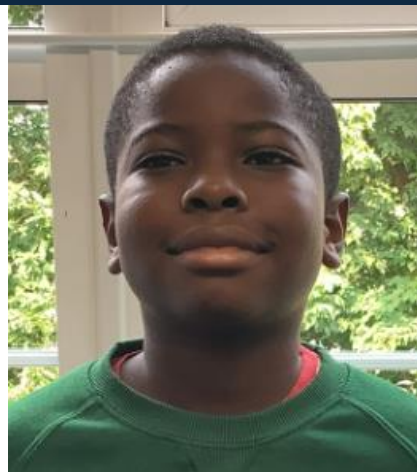
**Kojo**

**Treasurer**



**Emmanuel**

**Secretary**



**Alexander**



# Design Technology Week

This week all classes from Nursery to Year 6 have been busy baking and adapting recipes during our Design and Technology Week. It's been so exciting visiting classes and tasting lots of delicious muffins. The challenge was to create a recipe for a healthy muffin. Mrs Galiema Amien-Cloete and Miss Leah Grant-Muller tasted each class' creations and decided that the winners were ....

**Caterpillar-** "The award for the cheesiest delight- We loved the flavours throughout- I'd have this with my soup today!"

**Willow-** "The award for the most professional presentation. Fruity and moist- delicious!"

**Elder-** "The award for providing the most options with three different healthy options. Yum!"

**Beech-** "The award for the most environmentally friendly as they used reusable silicone cup holders. It was a sweet treat and very moist."

**Cedar-** "The award for the best subtle flavours. I Love the hint of herbs and how they were exploring with unique flavours."

**Hazel-** "The award for the most creative presentation. The overwhelming flavours of banana tantalize your palate."

**Maple-** "Winning the category of parental involvement. I loved it because I like chill. It was moist. The only criticism of these is that there were only two!"

**Oak-** "Winning the category of the most healthy muffin. They included a range of fruits alongside."

Quote of the week was from a child in Cedar Class " *I have never tasted a healthy savoury muffin before... now 'Im always going to eat healthy ones!*" Thank you Kamron for those words of positive eating!

Also all classes (in pairs) made healthy wraps and enjoyed eating them together. What a great community spirit we have here at DKH!

A big thank you to **DKH Friends**, who provided us with the delicious ingredients to make this week possible. Also a massive thanks to **Mrs Marie Kelly-Roberts** for organising the whole week!





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## Gold School Games Award Achieved!

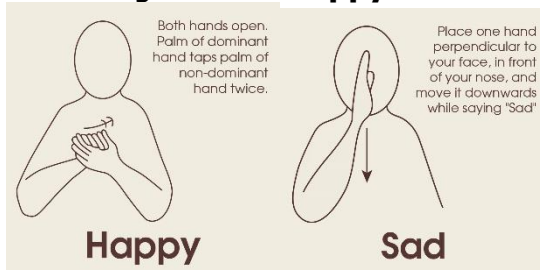
A massive congratulations to **Miss Sarah Butler** and **Mrs Galiema Amien-Cloete** for all their hard work towards promoting Physical Education and Extra-Curricular Physical Activities at DKH. They have achieved DKH the Gold School Games Award!

**Dog Kennel Hill School**



## Makaton Sign of the Week

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 **"happy"** and **"sad"**.



## ★ 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!

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Fredel</b> for linking his learning to his play <b>Huxley</b> for always trying his best with his learning
<b>Willow</b>	<b>Amelia</b> for being a good friend in the playground and looking out for others. <b>Daud</b> for working so hard on his handwriting this week, already making big leaps of progress!
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Kiyah</b> for amazing maths work showing part-whole models <b>Isaiah</b> for a fantastic effort to increase his independent writing - keep it up!
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Chikaima</b> for showcasing her incredible writing skills and giving great advice to the character in our story. <b>Misola</b> for being a role model to her peers and showing greater confidence in sharing her ideas with the class.
<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Damiah</b> Mr Soobhee has been very impressed with your focus during reading sessions <b>Isla</b> for producing a lovely creative poster written about Cinnamon.
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Dylan</b> for having high expectations for himself to achieve better outcomes <b>Summer</b> for a detailed character description of Grendel with elements of different figurative language
<b>Maple</b>	<b>Maile</b> for her fantastically written and very captivating setting description based on Beowulf! <b>Anas A</b> for being a super helpful in class this week!
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Owen S and Mila</b> for always being a fantastic role model, working hard and supporting buddies in EYFS during Healthy Eating Week.



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## Charles' Friday Fact

Did you know that horses and cows sleep standing up!



## Attendance

<b>Caterpillar</b>	95.5%	<b>Willow</b>	98.3%
<b>Elder</b>	94.7%	<b>Beech</b>	92.3%
<b>Cedar</b>	96.9%	<b>Hazel</b>	96.1%
<b>Maple</b>	100%	<b>Oak</b>	95.1%

## Lunchtime Global Theme Day!

On Friday, we celebrated a Global Theme Day, serving delicious Spanish delights at Lunch Time! We enjoyed paella, patatas bravas and crema catalana!







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### Forest School

Here's Year 1 exploring DKH Forest School this week! We explored the habitat and searched for mini beasts and ended our session with hot chocolate to keep us warm!







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## DKH Dance Sessions

Chantal Joseph has joined us as our new Dance teacher! She has been teaching children in Key Stage 2 a range of dance styles, striving to build confidence and self esteem! Here are some photos of the fantastic Dance sessions she has done so far!







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### Year 4 Trip to Butterfly Tennis Club

On Wednesday Year 4 had a session of tennis with coaches Aaron and Angela at the Butterfly Tennis Club on Camberwell Grove. The children had a great time learning new tennis skills and even managed to avoid the rain!







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### Beech Class Learning

We began DT week by testing shop bought muffins and finding out about the ingredients in them. This linked nicely with our Science lessons learning about the nutrition in foods and the traffic light labelling system. Children then shared what they liked and disliked and discussed ways in which we could adapt the recipes to make them healthier. Children suggested including less sugar and more fruit or vegetables.

After discussing the ways to make them healthier we chose to make healthy breakfast muffins. We added bananas, carrots and natural yoghurt. First we mixed the dry ingredients and then in another bowl mixed the wet ingredients. After we combined them together, we filled cupcake pans and baked them for 20 minutes. They turned out to be a great healthy alternative!



'The Nest' also visited our classroom on Monday for a Mental Health Workshop to teach us about the different feelings we may have and what these feelings may 'look' or feel like. We talked about things we can do to help keep our minds healthy and who we can speak to if we are feeling sad or worried.



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## Dates for your Diary



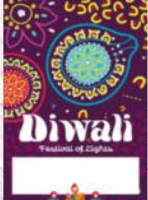
<b>30/09/2024</b>	Black History Month Begins
<b>02/10/2024</b>	School Open Day for prospective parents
<b>03/10/2024</b>	Parents Coffee Morning in the Mary Seacole Building @ 9:00-10:00. An opportunity for you to meet with the leadership team
<b>03/10/2024</b>	Harvest 'Festival' lunch
<b>09/10/2024</b>	School Open Day for prospective parents
<b>10/10/2024</b>	Hello Yellow Day. Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day
<b>10/10/2024</b>	Hazel, Maple and Oak Classes Viking Workshops
<b>16/10/2024</b>	School Open Day for prospective parents
<b>18/10/2024</b>	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
<b>21/10/2024</b> -	<b>School closed for half term holidays</b>
<b>01/11/2024</b>	
<b>04/11/2024</b>	First Day back of School
<b>06/11/2024</b>	School Open Day for prospective parents





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## AUTUMN/WINTER '24 THEME DAYS

DATE	THEME	MENU
SEPT w/c 16th or 23rd		<p><b>GLOBAL ADVENTURES</b> WE GO AROUND THE WORLD STOPPING OFF AT A SURPRISE DESTINATION...</p> <p>Enjoy the food specialties of one of these countries: France, Spain, Italy, India, Latin American, or Eastern European</p>
OCT Thurs 3rd		<p><b>HARVEST FESTIVAL</b> CELEBRATE THE LAND AND THE FOOD GROWN WITHIN</p> <p>BBQ Chicken Burger or Crispy Vegetable Burger served with Chips, Corn on the Cob and Carrot/ Apple Slaw Sticky Apple Slice with Vanilla Ice-Cream or Custard</p>
NOV w/c 28th Oct or 4th Nov		<p><b>DIWALI</b> A CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS</p> <p>Chicken Biryani or Chickpea Matar Curry served with Wholegrain Rice, Chota Naan, Carrots and Peas Spiced Carrot Cake</p>

## AUTUMN/WINTER '24 THEME DAYS

DATE	THEME	MENU
NOV w/c 4th		<p><b>LET'S ROCKET</b> BRING ON THE FLAVOUR FIREWORKS</p> <p>Rocket Dog or Veggie Rocket Dog served with Chips, Baked Beans and Peas Rocky 'Rocket' Road</p>
DEC w/c 2nd, 9th or 16th		<p><b>CHRISTMAS</b> DELICIOUS FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS</p> <p>Roast Turkey or Squash, Spinach and Cream Cheese Filo Bake served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli, Pigs in Blankets, Stuffing and Gravy Festive Chocolate and Ginger Cupcake or Chocolate Pinwheel and Vanilla Ice-Cream</p>





## 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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**