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A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children have begun their Christmas Performances! We were incredibly lucky to have the opportunity for our Year 5 and 6 children to perform at the William Booth College in the Salvation Army Church. The venue itself was absolutely beautiful. The songs and poems were performed wonderfully and the children from DKH Brass Band performed incredibly well! The children and staff should be so proud of themselves! We even had the pleasure of the Salvation Army Brass Band playing alongside the school. A

massive thank you to Mr Darren Lalchen for organising the entire day, Mr Owen Wales and Ms Emily Atkinson for helping with the songs and the Brass Band and Ms Mabre Serfontein, Ms Roshni Rahman, Ms Leith, Miss Lucas, Ms Brown, Ms Martindale and Ms Mohamed for supporting the children with their songs and poems! What a wonderful performance!





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Year 6 Fix a Bike Workshop

Last week, Year 6 had an all day workshop with the Community Cycle Works Team. During this time, they learned about how to keep bicycles safe by ensuring that they have made checks to the brakes and the wheels before using them. They also learned how to fix a wheel and the chain!





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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 sign is "help".



Help

Charles' Friday Fact

Did you know
The brain named itself!



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	Romeo for settling into Caterpillar class well. Ava for showing excellent progress in her reading.
Willow	Rameira for always being committed to completing her work to a high standard. Aliyah for always using her manners and being very polite to all.
Elder	Rudi & Nahla for fantastic Maths work representing word problems by writing multiplication and division equations
Beech	Mohammed for your dedication and hard work when practising for our Christmas performance. You have shown enthusiasm and excitement when singing and learning the actions. Ariyah for your dedication to sharing insightful ideas and making valuable contributions to class discussions. You inspire your classmates with your creativity and curiosity.
Cedar	Antonella for having a brilliant work ethic David for showing his creative ideas in bookmaking and storytelling
Hazel	Jayden for using the formula to work out the area of rectangles Yva for always showing respect and kindness to her peers and all adults
Maple	Fawaz for showcasing outstanding coding skills and setting a brilliant example of innovation and dedication, impressing both year 12 students and the staff at Alleyn's! Niah for demonstrating remarkable ambition and creativity during coding lessons, inspiring everyone with her innovative approach!
Oak	David for excellent participation during our science lesson on chemical changes. Uthman for his excellent projection when reading his lines in our Snowman poem.



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Year 5 Football Tournament

Some year 5 children were chosen to represent the DKH football team at Millwall football grounds where they participated in a tournament. The children showed off our school values, especially "resilience" and were highlighted out of all the schools who took part for "never giving up" throughout each game they played. Unfortunately, the team did not get through to the next stage, but we are VERY proud of them.





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Beech Class Learning

In English, Beech class (YR3) have been learning about different fables and tales. We ordered the events of the story 'For the Birds' and used drama to retell the story.



We wrote character descriptions of the main character in the story, focusing on their personality and appearance. We used adjectives, adverbs, powerful verbs and even similes in our writing to bring the character to life.



Up on a bumpy roof, Big Bird was watching all the little, cute, black wings because he found it so interesting with watching ^{finds} little birds ^{point} over a black bumpy wire. His yellow-orange beak is as long as a ruler and he ^{can} slope to communicate and with other birds. Above the fluffy, grey clouds Big bird sees his blue, bright and glowing, feathered wings to fly in the greenish-blue and clear air. Dangling on the Underneath wire, is Big Bird's short, strips and yellow and shiny legs are swinging away side to side making the wire move. You can see the Big Bird's orange, cute eyes staring at...



Above the white, fluffy clouds the silly weather and vibrant sun Big Bird was soaring in the bright sky as quickly as a cheetah. On the wire Big Bird was staring intently at other little, sunny birds with his so huge, bulbous eyes. His pointy beak is as yellow as a banana sun and a banana. Dangling beneath ~~it~~ him is as his legs are like string as a thread of and a string.



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Dates for your Diary

09/12/2024	EYFS performance @ 9am
10/12/2024	Year 3 and 4 performance @ 9am
13/12/2024	Xmas lunch and Xmas Jumper day
16/12/2024	Year 1 and 2 performance @ 9am
20/12/2024	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
21/12/2024- 5/01/2025	School closed for Christmas holidays
6/01/2025	First Day back of School



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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All absences need to be reported using **Study Bugs** and a reason must be given. This helps us track and monitor illness, helps to minimise spread and we have a duty of care to see where all children are and follow this up. Please ensure you report the absence each day, unless it is vomiting and diarrhoea or unless you have spoken to the Office and been advised to keep your child at home.



Download the Studybugs app for reporting your child's absence.

A quick and secure way to report absence due to illness and send messages to school.



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Christmas Performances at DKH

With Christmas just around the corner now, DKH Primary are preparing for their end of term Christmas performances! The dates are set and the teams have been busy preparing for the forthcoming rehearsals. Below you will find a quick insight into each performance ranging from our very youngest children through to our Year sixers.

Please make sure that these dates are in your diary and that you can come along and enjoy the shows with us.



Early Years Christmas Performance!

Date: Monday 9th December 2024

Time: 9am

Overview:

This amazing performance is a homage to all things Christmassy. The children offer a series of fun and familiar songs and carols about "Snow Falling", "Santa Claus", "Jingling Bell" (we all know that song, I'm sure!), a very friendly Reindeer named "Rudolph", "Oh Christmas Tree" and of course, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without the time old classic, "We Wish You A Merry Christmas"!!!

The children are so looking forward to performing for you all so please do join us. More information will be circulated nearer the time but please get the date into your diary today!



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Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance!

Date: Monday 16th December 2024

Time: 9am

Overview:

This year, our Year 1 and 2 children will be performing a fantastic Christmas Nativity adaption entitled "A Little Bird Told Me!" A Little Bird Told Me is an amazing nativity for children in which a little bird tells some exciting news about the birth of a very special King.

Rehearsals will soon be underway and our cast and crew are incredibly excited about putting on a great show for you all. Remember, Monday 16th November at 9am. More information is coming soon but get the date in your diary now!