



## DKH Newsletter 10th January 2025

### A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to school as we begin Spring Term! The children have settled back to school fantastically this week after a well deserved holiday. The children are beginning their new topics for each subject and 'Termly Planners' can be found for each class on our School Website under 'Our Learning'; 'DKH Curriculum'. There are some brilliant events lined up for classes already this Spring Term!



There are lots of amazing Sporting activities on offer this term. Our **Afterschool Sports Clubs** will be starting next week! **Year 5 Hazel Class** (Spring 1) and **Year 4 Cedar Class** (Spring 2) will be starting **swimming** this term at Camberwell Leisure Centre. There is a **Year 1, 2 and 3, Multi Sports Event** on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of January. Also, **Dance Sessions** with Chantal from **Pioneer Dance**, will be working with **Years 2 and 3**, in Spring 1 and **Years 1 and 4**, in Spring 2.

Alleyn's Secondary School are providing DKH exciting lessons again this term. They will be visiting our School on **Mondays** with **Year 3** to teach **Spanish** from their Spanish Teachers! **Year 5** will also get the opportunity to visit Alleyn's School to use their Music facilities to learn **Singing** and **Garage Band!**



Children in **Reception** and **Year 4** will also have the opportunity to visit our **Forest School** weekly on a **Friday**, guided by our Forest School Trained TA **Ms Ulker Hassan**.

There are also some wonderful Whole School Events coming up this Term, such as **Internet Safety Day, World Book Day, The Book Fair, STEAM Week** and some **Bake Sales** with support from our **Friends of DKH and School Council**.

Looking forward to a brilliant Spring Term!

**Miss Leah Grant-Muller**



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## Year 4 visit Horniman Museum

Today Cedar Class visited Horniman Museum to attend a Teeth and Bones workshop, the children revisited their science knowledge about teeth and skeletons and classified the different types of animals. They were able to handle the skeletons too!





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## Reception Superheroes

In Reception we have started a new topic and introduced the exciting story of *Supertato!* We designed our own capes and masks, then enjoyed writing superhero words, such as "Bang!" and "Smash!". We took turns sitting in the hot seat, pretending to be a superhero and answering questions from our peers, such as "What is your superpower?". We have loved being SUPERHEROES!



## Attendance

<b>Caterpillar</b>	82.6%	<b>Willow</b>	93.5%
<b>Elder</b>	96.4%	<b>Beech</b>	90.7%
<b>Cedar</b>	93.5%	<b>Hazel</b>	94.4%
<b>Maple</b>	96.7%	<b>Oak</b>	98.6%





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*Just a few of the highlights this week in Year 6.*



*We have been working incredibly hard in Year 6. We used drama to re-enact the well-known fairy tales: Sleeping Beauty and Snow White in preparation for our new writing unit based on "The sleeper and the spindle", which is a twist on both fairy tales. We will be writing our own versions this half term.*



*We have also been using ICT to compare Spartans and Athenians as part of our topic in History.*





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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 "toilet".



Tip of middle finger makes contact with body and makes repeat movement

# Toilet

## Charles' Friday Fact

Did you know that besides water, tea is the most drunk beverage in the entire world.



## 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> - joining in beautifully with our new Superhero topic and providing some brilliant answers to questions. <b>Ivanka</b> - for excellent progress with her handwriting
<b>Willow</b>	<b>Noah</b> for working so hard on his handwriting, taking his time and having a great understanding of ascending and descending letters. <b>Lianne</b> for having a positive attitude towards her learning, always asking for extra work to help her keep up her learning at home! Well done Lianne, I am so proud of you for this positive attitude.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Blu &amp; Callum</b> for showing a fantastic, positive attitude to their learning. What a great start to 2025!
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Athen</b> for embracing the uniqueness and differences of others and showing respect and understanding to your classmates. <b>Sofia</b> for your exceptional dedication in maths. You have shown enthusiasm in class and lots of effort when drawing and annotating arrays to show commutativity.
<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Jaydon</b> for his brilliant focus during our short division lessons in Maths! Well done. <b>Mohammed L</b> for taking care with the presentation of your work. Well done!
<b>Hazel</b>	<b>Johnston</b> for identifying the differences between living in Athens and Sparta during Ancient Greece times. <b>Alicia</b> for good work on identifying, naming and writing fractions correctly.
<b>Maple</b>	<b>Alhaji</b> for having an incredible start to the term and new year <b>Alex C</b> for his great efforts in both maths and shared reading
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Jazmine</b> for her continued confidence and dedication to her learning; always being ready to learn. <b>Mikayla</b> for working incredibly hard this week, especially in maths lessons-keep it up Mikayla.



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### Dates for your Diary

<b>17/01/2025</b>	Year 1, 2 and 3 KS1 Multisports event in School
<b>15/01/2025</b>	Year 2 and Year 3 start Dance with Pioneer Dance
<b>20/01/2025</b>	Alleyn's start Spanish with Year 3 Beech Class and Music with Year 5 Hazel Class
<b>11/02/2025</b>	Safer Internet Day
<b>14/02/2025</b>	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
<b>15/02/2025- 23/02/2025</b>	<b>School closed for Half Term Holidays</b>
<b>24/02/2025</b>	First Day back of School
<b>27/02/2024</b>	Swimming Starts for Cedar Class



# 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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# Study Bugs

Please download and register for StudyBugs. Not only is this our way of reporting absence but we will soon be switching to using StudyBugs as a means of communication and will no longer send text messages as we can send messages in the alert section of StudyBugs.

Also, when leaving absence information, we do require the child's symptoms so that we can monitor infection and take relevant action against virus; and disease.



## 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.



Studybugs 





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# THEATRE PECKHAM

221 Nevill St, London, SE5 7SB



## Performing arts classes for ages 3 - 16

- Dance (Ballet, Tap, Street Dance, Acro)
- Musical Theatre
- Acting/Acting for Screen
- Song Writing & Music Production
- Glee Club Pop... and more!



# ACADEMY CLASSES

Registrations close February 2025

Term 1: Sep - Dec 2024  
Term 2: Jan - Mar 2025  
Term 3: Apr - Jul 2025

Scan for  
more





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**Free\* 15 week Learning Unlimited course for adults  
interested in becoming Teaching Assistants**

## **Award in Support Work in Schools**

**Wednesdays 9.30am – 12.30pm**

**From 26<sup>th</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

We will contact you after you register to arrange an assessment time.  
This course will be delivered online using Zoom



### **What will I get from attending the course?**

- The knowledge and skills required to become an effective teaching assistant
- The City & Guilds Award in Support Work in Schools (Level 2)
- The opportunity to progress to the Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools or to apply for work as a Teaching Assistant
- Find course FAQs here - <https://www.learningunlimited.co/what-we-do/training/itt/faqs/>

### **How much does it cost?**

\*The course is free but there is a non-refundable registration fee of £60.

**To apply for a place on the course use the link below to complete the online form:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/award-in-support-work-in-schools-tickets-1142525467429>

**All applicants should have level 2 English.**

**Please note you will need to complete a portfolio which will require quite a lot of homework.**

**Places are subject to completion of application form and assessment.**







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# Online English (ESOL) Course

**A FREE 15-week Entry level online accredited course  
for Southwark residents**



**Classes will be on**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10am—12.30pm**

**25th February - 26th June 2025**

(term-time only)

**plus online Conversation Clubs**

This course will take place on Zoom.

Applicants should live in Southwark

To apply for a place on the course *in advance*  
please use this link:



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-english-esol-course-tickets-1142527714149>

Spaces are limited so book soon.

We will contact you to confirm your place on the course.



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**UNDER 8s & 9s GIRLS  
OPEN TRAINING SESSIONS**

ATHENLAY FOOTBALL CLUB ARE LOOKING FOR GIRLS  
IN YEARS 3 AND 4 TO JOIN A NEW U9 GIRLS TEAM.  
NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED, JUST ENTHUSIASM!

**FREE WEEKLY TRAINING SESSIONS**  
FOR INTERESTED GIRLS WILL START  
ON TUESDAY AFTERNOONS  
FROM 14TH JANUARY, 4.30-5.30PM.

**ATHENLAY FOOTBALL CLUB, HOMESTALL ROAD, SE22 ONP**