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A Message from our Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,



This week, we started off our Chinese New Year celebrations with an Assembly discussing the traditions of the day for people around the World. We also learned about the origin story of Chinese New Year and explored why each year represents a different animal! We found out that each animal took part in a race across a river and the rat won. The first year was the celebration of the rat and every animal who crossed the finish line next, would have their year celebrated. This year is the year of the snake!

As part of the celebrations, on Wednesday, our amazing Kitchen team prepared a delicious Chinese meal for the children and staff! Have a look at some more photos on our School website here: <https://bit.ly/4aBhaNk>



We also explored some Chinese New Year activities, such as lantern and dragon making!





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Dog Kennel Hill Primary School Consultation on Name Change



This week, School Council spoke in Monday's Assembly about the consultation on the potential change of name for our School. The School Councilors then led a discussion in their class's whether or not each child would be in favour of a name change. We are now looking to ask parents for their views and suggestions. Please follow the Google Form link below for you to express your thoughts and views on potentially changing the name of Dog Kennel Hill Primary.

<https://forms.gle/VGo58QRTokzk2Z6m9>



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Beech Class Year 3 Learning This Week

In Year 3 we are learning about volcanoes. We first explored how the earth is constructed and learnt about the different layers. We then looked at why volcanoes happen and where they occur. As a class we built our own volcano and watched it erupt. We wrote instruction reports to show the method of creating this.





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In English we wrote setting descriptions using expanded noun phrases to help bring the setting to life.

Over ^{the} ^{top} a tree on a colourful tropical island lay ^{the} ^{big} ^{hard} ^{working} and ^{kind} ^{ladies} ^{burying} their precious, ^{shiny} and ^{white} ^{turtle} ^{eggs} under ^{the} ^{sun} ^{soil} and ^{the} ^{big} ^{purple} ^{tree} ^{was} ^{leaving} ^{brown} ^{coconuts} while the ^{lovely} ^{working} ^{magical} ^{turtles} ^{fall} ^{asleep} ✓

High ^{up} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{sky} ^{the} ^{big} ^{and} ^{beautiful} ^{and} ^{purple} ^{birds} ^{singing} a ^{lovely} ^{musical} ^{and} ^{white} ^{bird} ^{song} ^{above} ^{the} ^{ground} ^{while} ^{the} ^{delicious} ^{and} ^{white} ^{lilies} ^{bloom} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{air} ^{the} ^{pretty} ^{butterflies} ^{fly} ^{their} ^{smooth} ^{wings} ^{up} ^{and} ^{down} ^{the} ^{tree} ^{branches} ^{and} ^{the} ^{tiny} ^{birds} ^{are} ^{happy} ✓

Deep ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{dark} ^{blue} ^{ocean} ^{big} ^{and} ^{slimy} ^{sea} ^{creatures} ^{swim} ^{down} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{depths} ^{of} ^{the} ^{ocean} ^{tropical} ^{fish} ^{swim} ^{from} ^{side} ^{to} ^{side} ^{while} ^{the} ^{big} ^{and} ^{grey} ^{and} ^{creaky} ^{sharks} ^{eat} ^{all} ^{of} ^{the} ^{tiny} ^{fish} ✓

Far, far away, there was a tropical, green, and ^{magical} island where large turtles bury their eggs while ^{the} ^{ocean} ^{waves} ^{hit} the sea bed. Tall, exotic palm trees hang above the white sand.

Above the tree canopy, red macaw parrots fly high above the ^{and} ^{grey} ^{and} ^{creaky} ^{sharks} ^{eat} ^{all} ^{of} ^{the} ^{tiny} ^{fish} ✓

Under the sea, silver, tiny and glimmering fish swim in the under water garden.

Dance

We are loving our Dance classes with Chantelle on Wednesdays and have learnt three routines already!





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Music

In Music we have been practising the recorder.





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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 "home".



Home

Charles' Friday Fact

Did you know that there are about 100,000 types of tree in the whole 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!

Reception	Teddy for engaging in some excellent role play and being an incredible superhero in our superhero topic. Zion for being a good role model in the classroom and always trying to encourage children to do the right thing.
Willow	Jeffrey for showing a positive attitude towards learning, always challenging himself to do better. Crystelle for being a kind friend, a hard worker and a joy to teach - well done Crystelle :)
Elder	Ace for working hard to understand fractions, including how to find halves, thirds and quarters of numbers and shapes All of Elder class for writing fantastic new stories based on 'George & the Dragon'
Beech	Mzee for outstanding creativity in bringing your setting to life through the use of expanded noun phrases. Your descriptive language has added vivid detail and made your writing engaging and imaginative. Chikaima for the dedication and attention to detail that you put into every piece of work you create. Your work ethic and kindness make you an outstanding role model for your peers.
Cedar	Kwaku for his explanations about fractions in maths this week Kawayne for showing kindness towards a friend during lunchtime
Hazel	Monisola for always having high expectations of herself, which shows in her quality of work. Austin for good work on recalling facts about Ancient Greek gods and goddesses.
Maple	Kai for producing fantastic writing this week in English. Inayah for her amazing progress and hard work in arithmetic.
Oak	Emmanuel for producing excellent character descriptions Jazmine for fantastic focus in maths



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London Bubble Theatre show with Year 6



PLAYING SAFE

A drama-based approach exploring serious youth violence and safety in your local community

Parents and carers of year 6 students are invited to join us for a special **FREE** performance and conversation after school

- See a short performance of 'Playing Safe' by London Bubble Theatre
- Discuss its themes with our creative team
- Meet professionals from across Southwark's Family Help and community support services

This event will last approximately 55 minutes with time to ask questions.

Registered Charity number: 264 359



On Friday 14th February, London Bubble Theatre will be showing performances of their 'Playing Safe' show to both Maple and Oak Classes. We would also like to invite parents of children in Year 6 to watch the performance yourselves from **3:45-4:45 in the Lower Hall**, so you can further discuss some of the issues around serious youth violence and safety in your local community with your child. Your child (Year 6 only) may attend again if they wish!

Book Fair



Next week, the Book Fair will be delivered and you will have the opportunity to purchase current best-selling books! We will be opening it after school in the Lower Hall from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM on Friday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. All purchases made will be via card payment- we will not be accepting cash.



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Dates for your Diary

4/02/2025	Children's Photographs
7/02/2025-12/02/2025	Book Fair open 3:30-4:30 in the Lower Hall
10/02/2025	Year 3 (Beech Class) trip to South East Hindu Association
11/02/2025	Safer Internet Day
14/02/2025	London Bubble Performances with Year 6 AM and PM and afterschool with Year 6 Parents and children only in Lower Hall 3:45-4:45
14/02/2025	Last day of Term. Children finish at 3:30
15/02/2025-23/02/2025	School closed for Half Term Holidays
24/02/2025	First Day back of School
27/02/2025	Swimming Starts for Cedar Class
4/03/2025	Half of Year 5 (Hazel Class) to attend Millwall Football Lunch Time Taster Session 12:30-1:30
11/03/2025	Half of Year 5 (Hazel Class) to attend Millwall Football Lunch Time Taster Session 12:30-1:30



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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South London Children and
Young People's Community
Immunisation Service

Missed your flu vaccine?

**Live or attend school in the boroughs of
Lambeth or Southwark? Aged 2-19?**
Come down to a flu catch-up clinic and
protect yourself this winter!

Monday 17 February, 10:00 - 14:00
Stockwell Children's Centre, SW9 9TG

Wednesday 19 February, 10:00 - 14:00
Stockwell Children's Centre, SW9 9TG

Thursday 20 February, 10:00 - 14:00
Rye Oak Childrens Centre, SE15 3PD

Friday 21 February, 10:00 - 14:00
Rye Oak Childrens Centre, SE15 3PD

**Our clinics are walk-in, so no need to book
an appointment.**

Call 020 8614 5495 for more information



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Parent Skills 2Go
Community Interest Company

SAFETY IN THE HOME

A ONE DAY COURSE

ACCIDENT PREVENTION & AWARENESS WORKSHOP
FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

DATE: TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY, 2025

TIME: 10AM - 12:00PM

VENUE: THE LEWINGTON CENTRE
COMMUNITY CENTRE
9 EUGENIA ROAD ROTHERHITE SE16 2RU

FOR DETAILS & TO REGISTER

02035369609, 07394662602

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February 2025

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Thursday
20th Feb
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION Supporting Healthy Screen Use

A range of steps that can help minimise the harms from screens

Monday
3rd Feb
10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
11th Feb
19:00 - 20:30
£24



Facing Defiance

Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



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Understanding Anger	10 FEB 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	11 FEB 10am
Facing Defiance	14 FEB 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN 7pm 25 FEB 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN 7pm 24 FEB 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 FEB 10am 3 MAR 7pm
Improving Family Communication	3 FEB 7pm 4 MAR 10am
AUTISM: Improving Communication	4 FEB 10am 4 MAR 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	4 FEB 7pm 3 MAR 10am
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	10 FEB 10am 10 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	17 FEB 10am 17 MAR 7pm
Introduction to OCD	17 FEB 7pm 18 MAR 10am
Anxiety Explained	18 FEB 10am 18 MAR 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	18 FEB 7pm 17 MAR 10am
Decreasing Depression	24 FEB 7pm 25 MAR 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	25 FEB 7pm 24 MAR 10am



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**SATURDAY
PLAYSCHEME
FOR
CHILDREN
WITH SEND**

FREE

DATES:
8th Feb, 2025
15th Feb, 2025
22nd Feb, 2025
1st March, 2025
etc,

**EVERY SATURDAY @ KETRA COMMUNITY
HALL, TELFER HOUSE, SEELEY DRIVE,
KINGSWOOD ESTATE.
SE21 8QW**

FROM 1PM - 3PM

**To Register
Contact:
02080797290
07958 064597**



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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



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The advertisement features a background with a yellow measuring tape and a blue fabric draped over a mannequin. A circular inset photo shows a woman sewing at a table. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, starting with the organization's name and logo, followed by the course title and description. Key details like time, cost, and dates are highlighted in yellow boxes. Contact information and logos for supporting organizations are at the bottom.

Parent Skills^{2Go}
Community Interest Company

SEWING SKILLS

10 WEEKS DRESSMAKING COURSE FOR BEGINNERS & INTERMEDIATE LEARNERS

10AM TO 12PM

COST FEE
£20 BEGINNERS
£30 INTERMEDIATE

FREE SEWING MENDING STATION
(SUPPORT ON HOW TO MEND CLOTHES)

BASIC /BEGINNERS SEWING CLASS STARTS
WEDNESDAY 15TH
JANUARY 2025

INTERMEDIATE LEARNERS SEWING CLASS STARTS
FRIDAY 17TH
JANUARY 2025

VENUE:
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**FEB 2025
HALF TERM**

**MULTI-SPORTS
CAMP WEEK**

**LEWISHAM LIONS
CENTRE**

10AM - 3PM

**£12 PER DAY OR
£50 FOR THE
WHOLE WEEK**

BOOK NOW





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London Wildlife Trust
**Centre for
Wildlife Gardening**

Half Term Family Workshops

At the Centre for Wildlife Gardening, 28 Marsden Road, SE15 4EE



Nature Detectives

Monday 17th and/or Tuesday 18th February 10am-3pm

Tune up your senses with fun activities discovering the clues about the animals that live around us. On Monday try out all your sense and set footprint and other traps to gather information. On Tuesday make plaster casts of footprints and make your own trails.

And after half term

Afterschool Bushcraft

Thursday 27th February -20th March 3.40 - 5pm

Practise different survival skills each week on this 4 week course for families.

Pond Life Sunday 30th March 10am till 3pm

Find out what lives in and around our ponds.

Fun workshops for families living in Southwark suitable for all ages funded by Southwark Council run by London Wildlife Trust. Booking essential.

Booking fee £3 but let us know if that is too much for you (email dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk)

To book: <https://www.wildlondon.org.uk/events>

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