



Newsletter

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This Week in the Art Room

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What an entrance to 2020, with so many sparks flying in the art room this week!

Year 5 Dolphins explored the electrifying world of David Batchelor where they simplified shapes found within the city, along with producing smudges of luminescent colour.

Year 3 Sea Turtles personalised Caesar heads from Roman coins, using plasticine with great dexterity!

Year 6 Snow Leopards ended the week with thoughtful teamwork. They utilised redundant plastic materials to construct ideas surrounding the respect of our planet.



School Uniform

Our school uniform gives a sense of belonging and community identity. It also supports the idea of equality by reducing any competition around clothing.

A few polite reminders:

- The only jewellery/accessory that children are permitted to wear are plain stud earrings and watches.
- School shoes must be black shoes or trainers.
- For PE sessions children are to wear dark shorts/jogging bottoms and a plain white T-shirt or 'Team Heber' T-shirt. PE days can be found on our termly bulletins which are sent out at the start of each term and can also be found on our school website. Please ensure that children have their kit in school on their PE days
- All your child's clothes, shoes, water bottles and bags should be clearly labelled with their name.

PE Update from Mr Neve-Dunn

The Y4s had the joy of dancing like volcanoes in their lessons this week. Eruptions, poisonous gases and rivers of lava were all the rage. Mr Neve-Dunn did his best dad dancing but really the children were much better off relying on their own natural rhythm and energy. Explosive performances kept the audience warm.

Meanwhile Heber have officially won the East Dulwich boys football league and the girls netball league! We also came equal on points in the girls football league. We did not win the boys netball league simply because there is no boys netball league in East Dulwich.

We are growing the league and have newcomers entering the battle. Welcome to Harris East Dulwich, Belham Primary, Lyndhurst and Fairlawns. Watch this space...



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Punctuality

We have an increasing number of children who are arriving at school late. It is crucial that parents support children in learning how to manage their routines in the mornings in order to arrive at school on time and with a 'ready to learn' mind-set. Learning starts the minute that children arrive in their classrooms. The registration period is a crucial time for children to hear about the day ahead and to complete early morning activities. If a pupil misses the start of the day they will struggle to catch up with the first lesson. Late arriving pupils also disrupt lessons for other pupils. This can be embarrassing for the child and can stimulate further absence.

The school gate opens at 8:45am. KS2 are able to go straight up to class. All children should be in class by 8.50am ready for morning work to begin. For KS2 the register will be completed by 9:00am. Pupils arriving after this time must report to the office to be signed in.

For KS1 the bell rings at 8:55am and the children need to be in class by 9am to begin their morning work. The register will be completed by 9:05am. The gates will be locked by this time and pupils must report to the office to be signed in.

This is very important. If the child enters class after the register has been taken, they will be in school but marked absent. In the event of a fire or other emergency, this would mean we could not ensure the pupil's safety.

Introducing Meteorite Comic

Have you managed to pick up a copy of 'Meteorite' yet? Emerson, Thomas, Jimmy, James and Alfie in Year 6 have produced their very own and brilliantly published comic in order to raise money for WWF. The copies are £2.50 each, but of course larger donations for such a worthy cause are always very welcome. Sales have gone very well but there are still a few copies left. If you are interested in a copy contact the school office. The boys are calling out for other children to submit their ideas for what is looking like a very exciting second issue. Each issue will support a different charity, which will be announced on the front cover.

Can You Help?

The Nursery class topic for this half term is 'People who help us' (Police, Firefighters, Doctors, Superheros, etc). If there is anyone who would like to come and talk to the Nursery children about their wonderful job in the community, we would love to hear from you. Please contact our Nursery team by leaving a message in the school office.

Weekly Music Awards

The following awards were announced in our weekly Merit Assembly.

Key Stage 1: Our Key Stage 1 music star of the week is Kai from 2DJ. His enthusiasm and capacity for music knows no bounds, and his reading and playing music from the musical stave was infectious and inspiring this week.

Lower Key Stage 2: There are four children who showed particular musical skill and team work in year 3 music this week: Tess and Esme from 3P, and Thomas Clapham and Nkemjika from 3A. They worked well together working out the rhythms they heard and representing them using the correct musical symbols.

Upper Key Stage 2: Our music star of the week for Upper Key Stage 2 this week has to be Reuben from 6F. His contribution during our lesson this week, from the reading music warm up through to the introduction to the music production topic, was excellent, and his enthusiasm for music and the arts clearly shone through.



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A Message from Mr. Treen

It's fantastic to hear about so many children feeling good about getting a musical instrument for Christmas. I've had many children from KS1 to Upper Key Stage 2 telling me about their musical presents received during the holiday break, or about songs they have learned over the festive period. If you would like some advice, about piano lessons for instance, come and speak to me and I'll try to point you in the right direction.

Year 3 and 6 music programming: As part of our Spring music learning, Year 3 and Year 6 children will be using computers to learn about music programming and creation. It would be useful for children to bring a set of earbuds or headphones with a standard 3.5mm jack input to their sessions on Thursday, but not essential. Thank you.

Eco Tip

Did you know the healthiest indoor temperature is between 18 and 20 degrees?

So make sure your thermostat is not set any higher. Every 1°C reduction saves 10% on your energy bill based on a typical household turning down its heating by 1°C. 260kg carbon emissions can be saved by this action alone every year.

Plastic Free East Dulwich Event

Plastic Free East Dulwich will be holding an event at the Lordship Pub on 23rd January at 7pm.

[Veolia](http://veolia.com) will be talking about the work they do in helping to drive the UK towards a circular economy with their waste, water & energy services. Plastic Free East Dulwich will also be speaking about their work and what we're doing to free our community of plastic.

The event will be free – you can get a ticket on the Eventbrite link [here](#) so that they have an idea of numbers.



Stars of the Week

Every Friday staff pick their Stars of the Week from each class. The children can earn this prestigious award for demonstrating one of our core values; Responsibility, Resilience and Thoughtfulness. Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly this week:

Reception – Roxanne (Rec C) & Elliot (Rec E)

Year 1 – Felix (1H) & Warith (1L)

Year 2 – Gabriel (2B) & Lamis (2J)

Year 3 – Lenny (3A) & Tess (3P)

Year 4 – Malachi (4P) & Lucia (4S)

Year 5 – Stevie (5C) & Karmani (5M)

Year 6 – Hadi (6F) & Alisha (6K)

Primary School Admissions 2020

Please note applications for admissions for Reception children in 2020 - the deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th January 2020. For more information or to apply please visit:

<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>



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January

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Wednesday 15 th	Deadline for applying for Reception 2020 intake
Wednesday 15 th	Reception Immersion Day
Friday 17 th	Year 2 Immersion Day
Monday 20 th (9:15am and 5:30pm)	Maths workshop – How to support at home
Monday 20 th (2:15pm - 3:15pm)	3A Animation workshop
Monday 20 th	Years 4 & 5 Immersion Day
Wednesday 22 nd	Perform drama workshops for Nursery – Year 3
Wednesday 22 nd (pm)	Year 6 The Big Lecture at Alleyns
Thursday 23 rd	Young Voices concert at O2
Thursday 23 rd	Year 1 Immersion Day – visits from grandparents
Monday 27 th (2:15pm - 3:15pm)	3A Animation workshop
Friday 31 st	Riot Act theatre performance for Years 5 & 6

February

Monday 3 rd Monday 20 th (9:15am and 5:15pm)	Maths workshop – Times Tables
Monday 3 rd (2:15pm - 3:15pm)	3P Animation workshop
Wednesday 5 th	Reception height and weight checks
Monday 10 th (2:15pm - 3:15pm)	3P Animation workshop
Tuesday 11 th	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 11 th	Year 6 Southwark Citizenship Training Trip
Wednesday 12 th	Year 3 Immersion Day - Freshwater Theatre Company
Friday 14 th	Last day of half term – finish at normal time
Half Term Holiday: Monday 17th – Friday 21st	
Monday 24 th	Children return to school
Wednesday 26 th	Year 4 to Tate Britain

March

Monday 2 nd – 6 th	Heber Book Week
Monday 2 nd	The Tempest storytelling sessions by Shakespeare's Globe
Thursday 5 th	World Book Day
Friday 6 th	Heber Bingo Night
Tuesday 10 th and Thursday 12 th	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 11 th (3:00pm)	3A Class Assembly
Wednesday 18 th (8:15am)	Year 2 SATs meeting for parents/carers
Wednesday 18 th	2B visiting St Paul's Cathedral
Thursday 19 th	2J visiting St Paul's Cathedral
Friday 20 th (8:00am)	Year 6 SATs meeting for parents/carers
Wednesday 25 th (3:00pm)	4P Class Assembly
Monday 23 rd – 27 th	International Week
Friday 27 th	International Evening