



Newsletter

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Year 6 Legacy Wall Mural Reveal!

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It brings me great joy to unveil the wall mural created by last year's Year 6, located in the Nursery playground. During the latter half of the summer term, the children selected their favourite leaf picked from the Heber garden area or around the school and drew it. The concept being, that nature may seem small but it is so significant to us all! The children wanted to create a "really wild feeling" for the nursery to feel like they were on a discovery. Some of them mentioned to me how they had remembered watching older children paint a previous mural in the playground when they were the little ones, which made this experience even more special to be part of!

The children then helped me to paint them back onto the wall, but super-sized! What a legacy they have left to the youngest children of our Heber family!

Special thanks goes out to Tilly, Robyn, Marley, Helena and Josie who came in during their summer holidays to help Ms. Davies complete!



A School to be Proud of!

This year Heber received more applications for a place than any other primary, infants or junior school in the whole of Southwark!

Following on from the lockdowns, many families have moved out of London and therefore although we have a long waiting list lower down the school, we have spaces to fill in Key Stage 2. Please spread the word if you have any friends or family moving to the area. We receive our funding on a per pupil basis, so new admissions benefit our whole school!

The Heber School Garden

Over the summer, our garden area has become a little wild! If any parents or carers can spare a little time to pop in with your gardening gloves and give it a tidy up, please contact the school office at adminoffice@heber.southwark.sch.uk



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Heber Pirates

Shiver me timbers the Yr1 pirates are aboard the Heber Pirate ship!

It does not feel like autumn; possibly because we are still waiting for the summer. However, we know when it is really autumn when the Yr1s wear the Tiny Tigers shirts and become pirates.

Tiny Tigers is a series of PE lessons developed by the school that are based on stories. The lessons develop key balance, coordination and agility skills.

In the first few lessons the children are encouraged to develop their inner pirate and the air is thick with "Aye aye Capt'in" and "Ahoy" and of course "Oo Arhhh!" Since many pirates seem to have one leg it gives wonderful opportunities for balance challenges. It also gives opportunities for the children to throw 'cannonballs' (well softish balls) at each other as they defend the Heber Pirate ship.

It was a very promising piratical PE start and Mr Neve-Dunn has already seen enough determination, resilience and teamwork in Yr1 to suggest that the other East Dulwich schools should be quaking in their pirate boots!

1H parents are welcome to join the lesson every Thursday 2-3pm. Please let Ms. Hastings know if you want to join the pirate crew. Bring your own grog and cannonballs.





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School Council

At Heber School, we believe it is important that our pupils have a voice to express their views and to help improve the school. We also actively encourage our pupils to take on leadership roles, to problem solve, and to take an active role in our community (both locally, nationally and globally.) Our school council, which is a formal body of class representatives democratically elected by their peers, is one of our key strategies to ensure we are giving our pupils these opportunities.

Over the weekend please talk through with your child about the School Council and what is involved in being their class' representative.

A School Council Member needs to be:

- Proud of their school and want their school to be the best it can be.
- Listen carefully to the views of others and take their ideas on board.
- Represent the majority view of their class, even if they don't agree!
- Commit time to this role and accept that they may need to do things during break times and/or lunchtimes.
- Be willing to speak in front of others (there will be opportunities for the School Council to lead assemblies)
- Be interested in promoting and raising money for charities and other good causes (such as local charities such as Southwark Foodbank and Burgess Sport and national causes such as Children in Need and Comic Relief.)
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On Monday, Mr. Stevens will speak with each class via a pre-recorded video to launch the school council for 2021/21. If your child is interested in standing to be their class' representative on the School Council, they need to speak with their class teacher who will give them a template to write their speech on. They will make a speech to the rest of their year group on Friday outlining the reasons why they would be a good candidate. Afterwards every child will have the opportunity to vote for their preferred candidate. The votes will then be counted by the class teachers, and the results will be passed onto Mr. Stevens who will then announce the successful candidates on Monday. Our new School Council representatives will be announced in the next newsletter!

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week for demonstrating our school values this week:

Reception – James (RC) and Harriet (RP)
Year 1 – Safeeyah (1DT) and Jack (1H)
Year 2 – Molly (2JP) and Ena (2S)
Year 3 – Molly (3KE) and Chester (3N)
Year 4 – Liam (4C) and Linus (4N)
Year 5 – Ania (5K) and Daniel (5W)
Year 6 – Zoe (6A) and Raeha (6F)

Academic Excellence Awards

This week in our Merit Assembly we celebrated the successes of a child from each class, who excelled in their learning and produced some outstanding work. Well done to the following children:

Reception – Isabel (RC) and Freddie (RP)
Year 1 – Talya (1DT) and Ava (1H)
Year 2 – Jude (2JP) and Reuben (2S)
Year 3 – Thomas (3KE) and Saffa (3N)
Year 4 – Ivo (4C) and Ashley (4N)
Year 5 – Tess (5K) and Manilia(5W)
Year 6 – Ariannah (6A) and Esme (6F)



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Year 2 Immersion Day

For our Immersion Day - How do you earn a place in history? - we dressed up as famous people and had a catwalk! Then they went on a mission! Using our Explorer bears, we had to find different historical figures who were hidden around the school. We used an Ariel map to locate them. It was so much fun! The children's interest in the topic is certainly ignited and they are ready to take on lots of new facts in their learning.



Our Peer Mentor Programme

As many of you are aware, as a school we are very proud of the family feeling there is at Heber. We love to promote this feeling by encouraging relationships across the school. Our Year 6 children are given the opportunity to play a critical role by becoming Peer Mentors. The role of a Peer Mentor is to support all ages of children with their social skills including supporting them to reduce conflict when they are outside. The Year 6 children are currently completing their applications and the Peer Mentor Team will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Prefects at Heber

The children in Year 6 are given the opportunity to apply for a key role within the school community - becoming a Prefect. By taking on such an important role, the appointed prefects have a fantastic opportunity to serve the wider school community whilst at the same time developing their communication, leadership and teamwork skills. The Year 6 children are currently completing their applications and the new Prefect Team will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Peckham All-Stars Netball Club

Year 6 children are invited to join this free netball club, which takes place at Ivydale School every Thursday during term time. The session is held between 6pm and 7pm and is free to join as it is supported by Southwark Council. For more information please email: peckhamallstarsnetballclub@gmail.com



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Secondary School Applications

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2022 please follow [this link](#) to Southwark's website for more information. Please be aware that all applications must be made online by the 31st October 2021. Mrs. Jefford will be joining the Year 6 curriculum meeting on Thursday 30th September to offer more guidance and support on the application process.

Open Days

Most secondary schools have planned for their open days and evenings to be held on site this year whilst retaining flexibility to change to online sessions should it become necessary to do so. Parents and carers are encouraged to check each school's website for up to date information; [this link](#) provides direct access to secondary schools' open day arrangements and websites.

Free Online Workshops for Parents/Carers

The Nest in partnership with HYP (Healthy Young People) Southwark are offering free training workshops held over Zoom to parents/carers on topics such as drugs, healthy relationships, mental health and more. This is open to all parent/carers living in Southwark.

The sessions will begin on Tuesday 14th September, 6-7pm. Please see flyer attached for details.

To register and for full details of all the workshops and support groups please send parent/carers our Eventbrite link:

<https://hypsouthwark.eventbrite.co.uk/>

September

Monday 20 th	Year 1 Immersion Day – My Local Area
Tuesday 21 st	Year 3 Immersion Day – Stone Age to Iron Age
Wednesday 22 nd	Year 5 Immersion Day – Anglo Saxons and Vikings
Tuesday 28 th	Years 2 and 3 Curriculum Meeting
Wednesday 29 th	Years 1 and 4 Curriculum Meeting
Thursday 30 th	Years 5 and 6 Curriculum Meeting

October

Monday 18 th , Tuesday 19 th , Wednesday 20 th	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 19 th	TeenTech City of Tomorrow – Years 4, 5 & 6 - Session 1
Wednesday 20 th	Winning House Reward Day
Thursday 21 st and Friday 22 nd	INSET Day
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th	Half Term Holiday

November

Wednesday 3 rd	School photographer in - Individual and siblings photographs
Tuesday 9 th	TeenTech City of Tomorrow - Years 4, 5 & 6 - Session 2
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th	Anti-Bullying Week – Theme: One Kind Word
Monday 15 th	Flu Immunisations