

THE HAMLET HERALD



'Outstanding learning, within a glittering curriculum, where everyone matters'

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NOTE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

We are now well and truly up and running for the year and your children are continuing to work hard on their learning in school.

On behalf of the teachers, I am now asking parents and carers to support us in establishing and maintaining expectations of homework.

We understand that families have vastly different capacities, approaches and attitudes to this topic, but we also know that home-learning can support accelerated progress as well as foster independence and self-discipline.

All children are expected to read daily and record in their reading records a minimum of three entries per week. This should include all children reading aloud to adults at times.

Doodle maths is a 5-minute daily activity and children need to get in and stay in the 'green zone'. This can be done easily and quickly on a mobile app. Year 6 will also be set 'assignments' linked to their topic which mimics the practice in many secondary schools, although at a lower intensity.

We need your help to learn times tables and spellings. Actually, we are seeking 'over-learning'. This means continuing to recall facts once we know them so that the act of remembering becomes so quick it feels *automatic*.

Spelling homework is set weekly and quizzing or flashcards at home can support this learning. Times tables can be supported through Times Tables Rock Stars, Doodle Tables or flashcards and quizzes. Y3 have a staggered start to home-learning.

KEY DATES

Monday 22nd September

All day – Y3 River Rangers Trip

09:00 Great Athletes Launch Assembly

09:30-15:00 4W and 4GR trip to Horniman*

10:00-15:00 The Nest Workshops (Y5 and 6)
'Growing Healthy Relationships through Conflict and Connection'

Tuesday 23rd September

09:00-09:45 Café: 'Raising Resilience - Building a growth-focused home'

10:00-15:00 The Nest Workshops (Y3 and 4)
'What's Mental Health?'

15:30 – 16:30 Clubs: Badminton, Cookery, Film Club, Y3+4 Lego, Multi-Sports, Y3+4 Rugby and Y5+6 Girl's Football

15:30 – 16:30: Brass Ensemble (invite only)

Wednesday 24th September

09:10-9:30 Assembly – Rosh Hashanah

Thursday 25th September

09:00-09:45 Café: Parents and Carers New to the Community

Friday 26th September

08:00-08:45 MacMillan Coffee Morning

Saturday 27th September

11:00-15:00 School Garden Transformation – PTA Event

* 4M trip on 16th October

CLUBS

Please be aware as per previous years snacks are not permitted prior to clubs due to issues around litter, allergies and reducing time for club activities.

GREAT ATHLETES VISIT: 6TH OCTOBER

We are really looking forward to our upcoming Great Athletes event on October 6th. The athlete visiting us at Dulwich Hamlet will be former [Team GB gymnast, Courtney Orange](#)!

Originally from Zimbabwe, Courtney started gymnastics at age 7, and chased his sporting dreams in London. As a 6x National Champion, he competed at the Commonwealth Games. Once he retired from international gymnastics, he became a professional dancer, performing with top music stars.



On the day, all children will take part in a sponsored fitness circuit run by Courtney - a terrific way to get us all moving, and even more excited about sport! Fundraising for the event will begin next week; children will bring home a sponsorship form, and our online sponsorship page will open for digital donations. The money raised will be used to purchase much-needed sports equipment, so we can provide even more sporting opportunities for Dulwich Hamlet pupils.

Courtney will then share his incredible sporting journey, a story of resilience and determination, in a fun and interactive whole-school assembly. There will also be an opportunity to ask any burning questions in a Q&A session at the end!

HAMLET GIRLS UP AND RUNNING

Our first cross country event of the year saw a slough of medals and accolades for Dulwich Hamlet. Sylvie took 3rd place in Y6, Amber 2nd place in Y4 with Bea and Serena securing first places in Y5 and Y6 respectively. This led to us top place in in Y5 and Y6 and 2nd in Y4 overall. What outstanding running. Thank you to Mr Mullings, Mr Witley and Ms Oddie for their dedication to cross country in the school.



THE NOOK

Have you registered?

[Click here](#) to enable you to book ad hoc wraparound care on Parent Pay.

To contact The Nook Please call the main school number 020 7525 9188 and select option 2 or thenook@dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk



Giant Owl Created in the Nook!

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

SEP 26 2025

VILLAGE PLAYGROUND





SCHOOL GARDEN TRANSFORMATION EVERYONE WELCOME!!

Over the coming school year, the PTA are planning to work with local community gardeners Urban Canopy to refresh the school's front garden and bring it back into use as an educational wildlife garden

To begin the project, we are planning a blitz of the garden this month, to tidy up the space, cut back some of the over growth, and plant wildflower seeds and bulbs for next year.

**JOIN US ON SATURDAY SEPT 27TH
DROP IN ANYTIME BETWEEN 11AM AND 3PM**

No gardening experience is needed and all tools will be provided





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PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

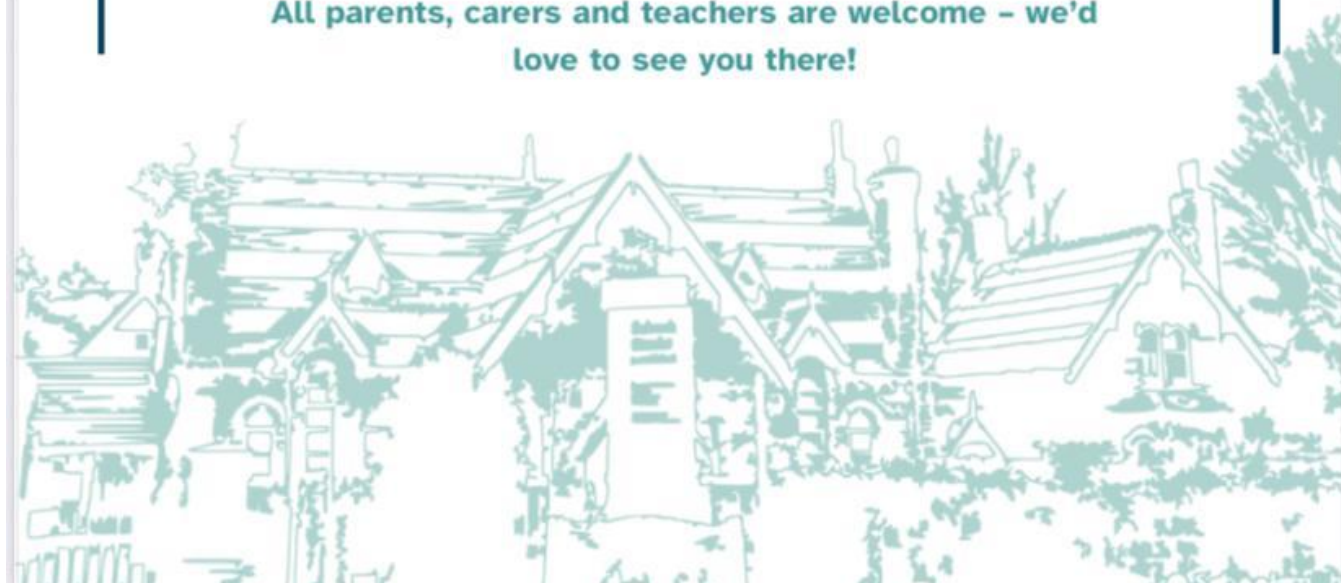
Come along to the PTA AGM to hear about the activities from the past year, share your ideas, and be part of the plans for the year ahead.

The AGM is a chance to:

- ☒ **Learn about upcoming events**
- ☒ **Hear how we're raising funds and what for**
- ☒ **Find out how you can get involved**

**THURSDAY 2nd OCTOBER – 7PM
In Turney Hall**

**All parents, carers and teachers are welcome – we'd
love to see you there!**





GIRLS' ACTIVITY DAY

OLD ALLEYNIA'S SPORTS CLUB

DULWICH COMMON, SE21 7HA

12 NOON until 3:00PM - SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER

PLEASE USE
THIS
QR CODE TO
JOIN US!



FREE EVENT



DYSLEXIA FAIR 2025

UNDERSTANDING TODAY ~ SHAPING TOMORROW



SUPPORT

DYSLEXIA
FAIR

RESOURCES

27th September
10am - 4pm

AWARENESS

VILLAGE BOOK PRESENTS

FEMINIST HISTORY FOR EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR BY KATE MOSSE



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FEMINIST
HISTORY
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OF THE YEAR

Tuesday 23rd Sept | 7.30pm

www.village-books.co.uk/events

