



Issue 19

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As our academic year draws to a close it has been a delight to share your child's end of year report. We are overwhelmed with the progress that all of the children have made this year; they have shown great resilience and commitment to their learning. Thank you for your support.

**Summer Reading Challenge:** The children enjoyed an assembly to launch the summer reading challenge for this year. Children are asked to read 6 texts throughout the summer holidays. In return they will receive a certificate that can be presented in school. This is a great initiative from the library service that is free and easy for all to access. Please drop into your local library to find out more. As a school we encourage your child to participate to help them embed their reading skills across the summer break. Happy reading!



**Transition:** Transition sessions are such valuable experiences to help children comfortably accept change and become ready for their new year at school. The children have all had their transition sessions now and so are familiar with what September means for them; whether it be in new classroom, new teacher and support staff or new classmates. The Year 6 pupils have also had time at their new schools with notes and meetings being shared by staff. Our new children for September have also visited on a number of occasions with staff completing home visits and pre-school setting visits as well. This will ensure a clear transition in readiness for September. Dates are shared in the dates section below for your opportunity to 'Meet the Teacher' in September. This is a really important session where staff will introduce themselves but also outline the year ahead and expectations for the year; please note the dates into diaries to ensure you are able to make the meetings. Thank you.

**Goodbye:** It is with much sadness that we say goodbye to Mrs Wright, who has supported pupils in Oak class and across the school. Mrs Wright has been a great asset to the team and will be greatly missed. Mrs Wright is moving onto another school which will be much closer to her daughter's new secondary school from September. Good luck and thank you Mrs Wright. I am pleased to share we have successfully recruited and Mrs Sands will be joining the team from September 2023.

**Swimming gala:** It was with much delight that Mrs Saunders and I accompanied the school swimming team to the HASP gala on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Crowborough leisure centre. The children were fantastic and showed great confidence when swimming widths and lengths using front crawl, back stroke, breast stroke and butterfly. Well done you all showed great sportsmanship.

**Federation Day:** The Federation days have been a great success this year and it has been wonderful to create another link with Dallington where pupils can come together, play and learn to build their social skills and to explore new things/ places and people. Thank you to those of you who have transported your children to Dallington for these days, and to the staff for creating and managing the opportunities; we appreciate all of your support.

**Elm Class:** Elm Class delivered three amazing performances of their end of Year production: 'What's the Crime Mr. Wolf?', chosen by Year 6. All the children worked hard to learn their lines, songs and moves, make props and learn stage directions. Their dress rehearsal was extremely well received by



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Young at Heart and Little Punnetts, who made up the audience. Little Punnetts sat in awe and did not make a sound other than clap and share their favourite parts at the end and members from Young at Heart were so complimentary.



Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July comprised of two shows – one to the whole school and the other to family and friends, both of which amazed the audience and were very well received by the two different age ranges. Well done to the whole class, including those who unfortunately couldn't join us for the evening performance: you ALL worked so hard to put on an enjoyable show.



Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July involved sculpture making and although the children were tired the change of pace was well received and animals of various shapes, sizes and species - inspired by our science on evolution and our study of Charles Darwin - emerged as the day progressed.



## Outdoor Learning:

Year 2 and Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed forest school this term. They have learnt about the different pests we have and how they can affect our crops and flowers. The children have helped grow various plants, sunflowers, runner beans, potatoes and maintain our flower beds.

Year 2 have helped to make our own pest book, learning and playing new games such as Beetle tag and Eagle Eye – which is still a firm favourite across the school!

Year 3 have enjoyed playing in the mud kitchen, bug hunting and looking at the wasps nest! They also had the opportunity to look at a Goldfinch nest that was kindly donate from a member of our community.

Year 3 also had a brilliant federation day where they were joined by the Year 3 children from Dallington for a day of Forest School. This entailed lots of fun activities such as making a bird feeder, growing their own cress and lots of fun games, memory game and Eagle Eye.





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At the end of week 6 our school attendance is 93.8%, our target is 96%.

Class attendance Year to date	Beech	Hazel	Oak	Elm
Week 5	94%	94%	95%	93%
Week 6	94%	94%	95%	92%

**Star of the week:** Each week the adults and children reflect in their classes and choose a member of the class to receive the 'Star of the week' certificate. I am pleased to share that in...

**Week 5:**

Beech: Ava                      Hazel: Roo                      Oak: Harrison                      Elm: Madison

**Week 6:**

Beech: Dhyana                      Hazel: Henry                      Oak: Daisy                      Elm: Caspar

Thank you for being the best you can be!

We wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,  
*C. Kinsella*

*All dates are subject to change – more details will follow regarding specifics.  
Yellow highlight shows new additions/ changes from the previous newsletter.*

Term and Week	Date	Event
T6 W7	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Farewell to Toni & Sandra, from Pre-school, at the Village hall 3.15pm
T6 W7	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4 Federation Day at Dallington (details to follow) Y5 Federation Day at Punnetts Town (details to follow)
T6 W7	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Punnetts Towns Got Talent – child to share a talent to the school
T6 W7	<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August      Summer Holiday</b>		
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September – INSET</b>		
<b>T1 W1</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>All children to return to school</b> <b>EYFS children to be collected at 1pm</b>
<b>T1 W1</b>	<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>2.45 – HAZEL (1/2) Meet the teacher</b> <b>REPEATED</b> <b>3.20 – HAZEL (Y1/2) Meet the teacher</b>



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T1 W1	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	1pm EYFS children collected followed by EYFS parents curriculum meeting
T1 W1	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	2.45 – OAK (Y3/4) Meet the teacher REPEATED 3.20 – OAK (Y3/4) Meet the teacher
T1 W1	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	EYFS children full time 2pm Play park Grand opening – details to follow
T1 W1	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	2.15 - ELM Meet the teacher then Y6 residential information REPEATED 3.20 - ELM Meet the teacher then Y6 residential information
T1 W1	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Y4 Young at Heart visit
T1 W1	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Friends Summer Fete 3.00pm-5.30pm on the Field
T1 W3	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual school photos
T1 W4	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Y6 Residential visit
T1 W5	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Y4 Federation Residential visit
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October - HALF TERM</b> <b>Term starts: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>		
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January – Christmas holidays</b> <b>Term starts: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January</b>		
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February – HALF TERM</b> <b>Term starts: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>		
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Easter holidays</b> <b>Term starts: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>		
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May – HALF TERM</b> <b>Term starts: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>		
<b>Last day of term Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b> <b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Holidays</b>		