



Fortnightly newsletter

Dallington CE Primary School

...be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith and our pure life. (1 Timothy 4:12)

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Writing week

Welcome back to term 2! I hope you have all had a wonderful break. We have hit the ground running in the first couple of days, we have held a writing week, we have used the VR headsets and had some special visitors from Animal Ark. All of this was to inspire the children when writing. It was a wonderful visit with the children getting to hold/see and stroke rats, a hissing cockroach, lizards, snakes and a rather larger tarantula! The writing will be displayed once it has been completed. A massive thank you to FODS who supported the school by paying for the Animal Ark to come in and spend the day with us.



Upcoming events

November

7/14th Take over day (yr6)

8th Open afternoon
2:30pm

12th PINS coffee morning

13th Parents evening
3:30pm

14th Parents evening 6pm

December

2nd Decoration making
morning

3rd One voice concert
(yr5/6)

4th Federation carols
(yr3/4)

6th Mufti day - foodbank

9th Nativity 2pm

10th Nativity 6pm

18th Christmas Lunch

20th School carols – end
of term

January 6th term 3 starts

Local author

As well as a collection of insects etc we also welcomed Punnetts Town year 5/6 children who came across for a visit from local author Ann Bryant. Ann is well known to the school and has a long history of working with us. She came in to talk about her new book and host a musical/literature workshop. It was a brilliant morning with the children all engaged and learning in a different way.



Take over day

Every year we hold two take over days. The children in year 6 apply for a position on the school staff, they can be teachers, support staff, the caretaker, secretary or kitchen staff. It gives the children a small taste of the wider world. We held these again this year on the 7th and 14th November. So, if your child comes home talking about a very young teacher this might explain it!



500 words

Every year the BBC run 500 words – a writing competition aimed at children. We have a long history with the competition but it is not always possible to ‘fit everything in’. This year, Mr Kirk and 8 girls from Brightling class worked through lunch times and grabbed every free minute to plan, create, write and edit their 500 word stories. Mr Kirk has checked all the entries and has completed the submission process – good luck to the girls – we have our fingers crossed for everyone.

Lego club

A little shout out to one of our wonderful year 5 boys. Giles has started a Lego club on a Friday lunchtime. He started the club to offer those who didn't want to be on the playground an opportunity to play, talk and enjoy. They had their first session last Friday with Fred winning the best builder award! Well done Giles.



Weather

I am just updating everyone as we head into the winter! If we have very bad weather and need to close the school, this is the procedure:

If the snow or ice comes over night, a decision will be made by 7am as to whether it is safe to open the school.

If the decision is taken not to open then a notice will be placed on our website, school Facebook page and a studybugs message sent.

At the same time ESCC will be informed and a notice will be available on their website; you can also sign up for an 'alert' from ESCC if our school is closed.

Local radio stations will also be informed, but this tends to be quite slow.

If we need to close during the day, we will Studybugs as a matter of urgency; we would ask that you spread the word to other parents too

Cross country

Unfortunately, the annual cross country at Burwash School was cancelled due to the weather. We had to hold an internal race and we had two children go through to the next round at Crowborough. Sam (yr. 5) ran in the year 6 boys' race - he came 54th out of 85 children – even running part of the race with 1 shoe! Sonny (yr5) was like a bolt of lightning coming first in the year 5 boys' race. Sonny will now go through to the next round. Well done to both boys.



Finally....

On Tuesday 12th we held our Remembrance service at St Giles. It was a lovely service with Thomas (year 6) playing Last Post on his trombone and everyone showing amazing respect.

