

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

So many reasons to be proud...

Well done Y6 - children and staff! You 'smashed' the SATs this week. The wider staff team have all commented on the mature approach taken by our Y6 Hamleteers, we are very proud of you all. The tests were not easy in places! However, as you would expect, the children demonstrated their resilience and gave their absolute best. Thank you to the DHJS team for preparing the children so well, and supporting them to navigate the SATs week with just the right balance of encouragement and sensitivity. Y6 can now look forward to an exciting 'menu' of post-SATs activities, including their school journey next week, receiving their Leavers' hoodies, and theatre trip to see Wicked the musical to name a few.

Our of our Governors visited mid-week to review our test preparation and processes. SATs administration is almost like undergoing a test itself! Felicia Johnson was pleased to report that our processes were thorough and transparent and compliant with all the national requirements.

The SATs have all been collected and there is nothing further we can do until we receive the results in July. Y6 Parents and carers will receive this information along with the Annual Report Part 2 near the end of term.

Following this, my second reason to be proud today is...
(See page 2 for important news!!!)

DOODLEVISION AND TTRS

The top three classes with the highest % in 'the green zone' this week are:

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| First place (12 points): | 4S | 47% |
| Second place (11 points): | 3BF | 40% |
| Third place (10 points): | 4B | 39% |

Please keep on Doodling everyone!

Congratulations to 4G: You are TTRS winners of the week (second week in a row) with 83%

Rock on 4G!!!



KEY DATES

Monday 15th May

Y6 depart for week long school journey, Dearne Valley, South Yorkshire. **Arrive at school, 8am prompt please!**

Tuesday 16th May

Y5 visit to Kew Gardens

Y3 Portals to the Past Ancient Greece day

Friday 19th May

TCSET Dance Festival at Lyndhurst Primary School

Y6 return from school journey

'NEON NIGHTS': PTA DISCO!

We're looking forward to seeing you at the disco tonight! It's exciting to host this right here at the Hamlet, and the children will no doubt be full of energy. With that comes responsibility to make sure that the children treat our school and our many volunteers the right way—following signs and directions, being safe and respecting our buildings and each other. Some areas of the school will be off-limits. Parents/carers are responsible for supervising the children they bring at all times.

A reminder that in order to accommodate all of you, the disco is BYOB. No glass please. The "bar" will serve soft drinks, no-alcohol drinks, ice, mixers and plastic glasses (or bring your own). We will not sell water but feel free to bring a bottle and refill at our stations."

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

| Topaz Water | Ruby Fire | Garnet Earth | Sapphire Air |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | |
| 78 | 21 | 60 | 35 |

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE: continued...

I have the absolute pleasure of sharing with you that, following our Ofsted inspection just before the Easter break in March, Dulwich Hamlet Junior School has been recognised as **OUTSTANDING** in all inspection areas. We received the final report yesterday, which we are now able to share with our community. We have attached the report to your HH email today for you to read. The report will also be available to view via the Ofsted website towards the end of next week.

An inspection is a two-day snap-shot of a school, and the report is a short summary of an extensive range of activities carried out by the inspection team. I was so pleased that our team quickly 'got under the skin' of the Hamlet, and this shines through in our report.

In our final feedback, the Lead Inspector wanted to make clear that this is not re-validation of our 'Outstanding' from the previous inspection back in 2008. He detailed that this is a completely new judgement, rooted in a new framework with a very different set of expectations. To achieve 'Outstanding', is an exacting judgement. We certainly felt this as we moved through the two days – no stone was left unturned!

As such, you will notice that there are no areas for improvement listed. This does not mean that there is nothing to work on, quite the contrary! DHJS does not stop moving, tweaking, and refining our work. We continue to be an outward facing school that continually seeks best practice from which we can learn. In turn, we continue to share and disseminate our practice widely.

Our Hamleteers and DHJS staff team absolutely 'shone' during our two-day inspection. It was a joy observing our day-to-day work through the eyes of our visitors and I was reminded of why we do what we do.

Thank you, once again, for completing the parent/carer questionnaire, and for your kindness and support during these intense couple of days.

I couldn't be prouder of our community.

Looking forward to a dance at the PTA disco later...!

TCSET WEBINAR

Following our Trust webinar session last night on talking to your child about sex and sexuality, facilitated by Emma Gleadhill, we are pleased to be able to share the link for a recording, which can be watched on playback.

https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/OtXBjtiv-3D9n2W9pR_ILZjv54e0HTA0o_FgXMDr_JzuBeQRwyYNBzhmRVD_cw.9LNABhv5M9eYaVpW

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Expiry is on 11th June at midnight

On the next page, you will find the slides that Emma promised to share with participants on useful websites and books you may wish to read.

The next talk will take place on June 7th at 7pm on the theme of supporting your child with navigating change and challenge in friendship and relationships. This webinar is focused on supporting secondary-age students and 6th formers, but all are welcome as ever.

Details to follow nearer the time.

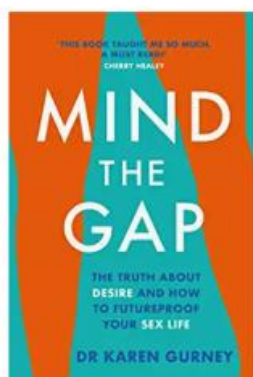
Helpful guidance

- NSPCC Support for parents– the Pants Rule
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/underwear-rule-guide-for-parents.pdf>
- Parentinfo from CEOP and Parent Zone <https://parentinfo.org/article/sex-education-in-schools-a-parent-s-guide>
- Government guidance for the new statutory SRE policy. Secretary of State's forward...Search gov.uk Relationship and Sex Education
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationshipsex-and-health-education-guides-for-schools>
- Big Talk Education <https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/parents/parentssex-education-questions-answered/>
- American Academy of Paediatrics has a list of what kids should know before puberty when and how you tackle that list is your choice but it is a helpful starting point.
- <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/agesstages/preschool/Pages/Talkingto-Your-Young-Child-About-Sex.aspx>

Talking about sex and sexuality with your growing child.
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Reading matter – for you!



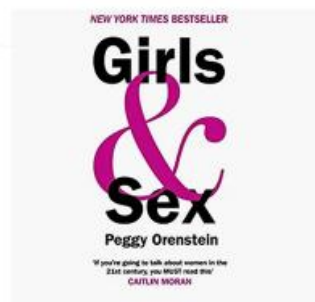
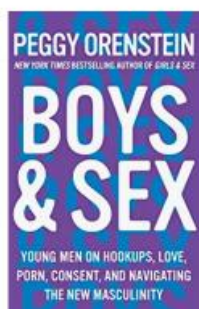
"Sex Ed: An Inclusive Teenage Guide to Sex and Relationships" by the school of Sexuality Education



Report | 16th December 2021

Talking to your child about online sexual harassment: A guide for parents

The things I wish my parents had known, young people's advice for talking to your child about online sexual harassment.



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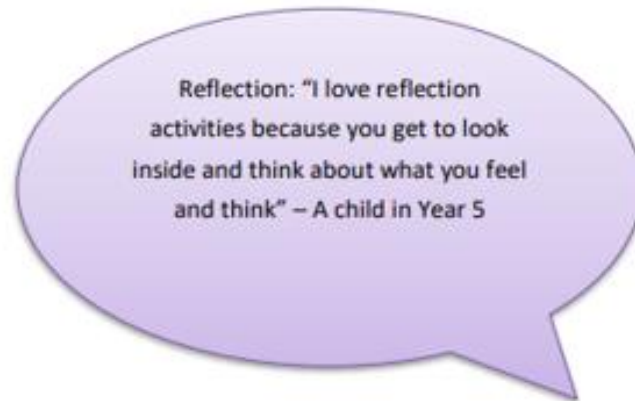


CURRICULUM SPECIAL: Religious Education (RE)

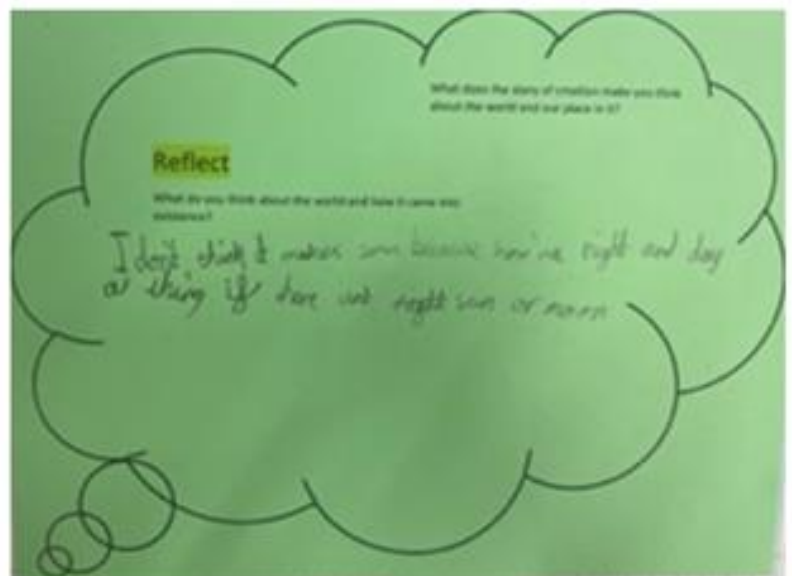
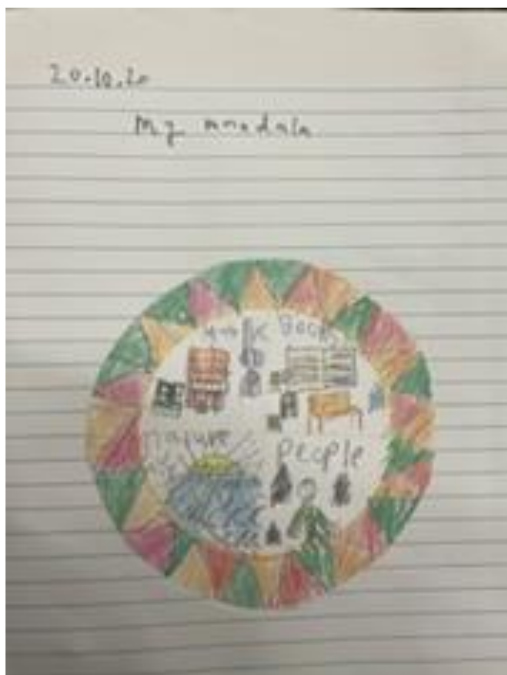
At DHJS our learning of R.E develops knowledge and appreciation for the beliefs of others as well as the ability to meaningfully reflect on our own beliefs and enables us to explore our place in a diverse society.

In this curriculum special, I want to focus on the key R.E skill of reflection as it is so central to how we teach R.E at the Hamlet.

In the children's words:



How does the skill of reflection show up in lessons?



Well, in Years 3 and 4 it shows up by, amongst other things, children creating their own personal mandalas and by reflecting on their own ideas about the Christian creation story.

We really enjoy developing this skill of self-reflection through the R.E curriculum with our Hamleteers and encourage you to find out what your child thinks and believes about all kinds of things. Some of their answers might surprise you!

With thanks to Matt Gold: R.E. Subject Lead

Arty Party®

May ½ term Workshops

Tuesday 30th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

This half term we are going to be looking at the artist Ai Weiwei, taking inspiration from his artworks that have made him one of the most famous contemporary artists in the world! We've been inspired by his exhibition at the Design museum, These are some of the wonderful things we'll be creating...

Delightful Dragon Lanterns, Spectacular Sunflower Seeds, Brilliant Bicycle Monoprints, Colourful Chinese Zodiac Animals, Perfect Porcelain Pots, Stunning Studio Cats ... Ooooh and all the usual Fun & Games!

Your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories. We'll be learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as screen printing. Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:

WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK

Cost £46 per day

Children must be 5 years & above
Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!
Booking is for a minimum of 2 (preferably) consecutive days
We accept childcare vouchers!

**For any more information please email or call us:
020 8675 7055 john@artyparty.co.uk**

WHERE TO FIND US...

Wimbledon: The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD - 30th May -2nd June
Balham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 30th May -2nd June
Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 30th May -2nd June
Clapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX - 30th May -2nd June
Blackheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL - 30th May -2nd June
NEW Dulwich! Dulwich Hamlet school, Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL - 30th May -2nd June



Book Now!

