

THE HAMLET HERALD



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

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HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

The past week has been a flurry of community-based activities. Last weekend the PTA gave us a terrific Summer Fair. Thank you all for coming along and giving your support. Read on for a message from the PTA and some pics, capturing all the fun of the fair! On Monday, all of our staff came together with our Trust colleagues to take part in our inaugural Trust Conference. We enjoyed listening to some interesting speakers, and were able to select our individual workshops from a wide menu, including some delivered by our own Hamlet staff – they are very brave! And then yesterday, we jointly hosted our International Afternoon with our friends at DVIS. What a community celebration this was! A huge thanks must go to Nikki Thomson for this massive piece of organisation. Read on for more highlights.

As we now move into the final few weeks of term, along with the many 'rite of passage' and seasonal events, we are engaging in a variety of transition activities too. These opportunities are designed to support all of our Hamleteers to navigate change, whether they are joining us in September, moving between year groups, or indeed moving on to pastures new...

Yesterday we held the first in a series of DVIS Y2/ DHJS Y3 joint playtimes, and next week we have our new parent and carer evening. Look out for an email early next week inviting you to a special 'Transition' themed parent and carer café, which will be facilitated by our Learning Coach, Lorraine Thomas.

Current Y3/4/5 parents will learn of their child's class for September by email on Thursday next week. Before the end of term, the children will get the opportunity to spend some time in their new classroom, with their new teacher. When you receive our class communication, you will notice some name changes:

We are delighted that Mrs Shreeve is returning from her maternity leave on Monday (picking-up the 6H 'baton' from Ms Plant), and will once again be back with her own class in September. We are very sad that Miss Farr will be leaving us at the end of the term, and we wish her all the best as she relocates nearer family up north. Miss Ambrose will be a new face to DHJS, joining our teaching team full-time.

We will also be saying 'goodbye' to three of our teaching assistants: Ms Begum is going to start teacher training – we know she is going to be brilliant. Miss Kenny is going to take the

KEY DATES

Tuesday 4th July

3EF class assembly, 9:10am, Turney Hall, parents welcome

Wednesday 5th July

NEU industrial strike action - school closed to all children
Y6 Southwark Secondary Transition Day (for some Y6 children)

Thursday 6th July

Y4/5 swimming gala, 1:30-3pm, JAGS, parents welcome
New Parent & Carer Evening, 6:15 for a 6:30pm start, Turney

Friday 7th July

NEU industrial strike action - school closed to all children
opportunity to go travelling – we know she'll keep in touch with her DHJS friends. And finally, Ms Zabel Hofman is going to take some time to review career opportunities. Ms Brant will be taking a secondment from her recorder teaching next year while she completes her MA in Music Therapy. We are delighted that Mr Beaney will ensure continuity for all our recorder players.

And finally, we are going to be saying 'goodbye' to Mrs Evans as she retires from her post at DHJS. Mrs Evans has been with us for a staggering 17 years and has taught literally hundreds of our Hamleteers, as class teacher, and more recently as Assistant Headteacher. She has been instrumental in shaping teaching and learning at DHJS, always sharing her wealth of expertise generously with colleagues. We are hoping that she will not be too far away, and pop back to teach from time to time!

We wish our colleagues all the very best as they move on to new things.

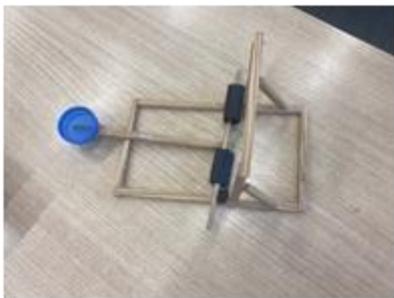
WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Topaz Water	Ruby Fire	Garnet Earth	Sapphire Air
			
67	116	120	65

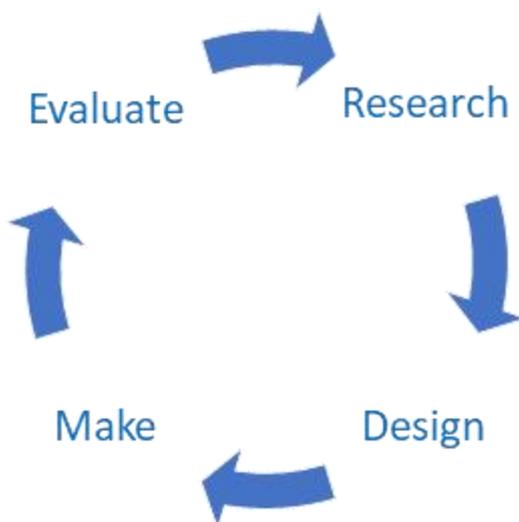


At Dulwich Hamlet, we aim to give all pupils the opportunity to develop the knowledge and technical skills to design and create high-quality and functional products for a wide range of users. In addition, we believe that these practical skills will enable our pupils to perform everyday tasks as well as prepare them to participate and succeed in an increasingly technological world. Furthermore, we inspire our students to use their imagination to solve a range of genuine, real-life and relevant problems through innovation and creativity. We teach them to think critically, take risks and embrace challenges so that they become resourceful and enterprising citizens who have the confidence and expertise to make an immediate positive impact on the world around them.

How is D.T. taught at our school?



The Design Technology curriculum is delivered through a unit project once every term. Each project is centred on one of the following three key unit types: woodwork, sewing and food technology. This allows our pupils to focus on specific aspects of the subject such as product design, cooking and nutrition, engineering, computer-aided design, electronics, textiles and graphics.



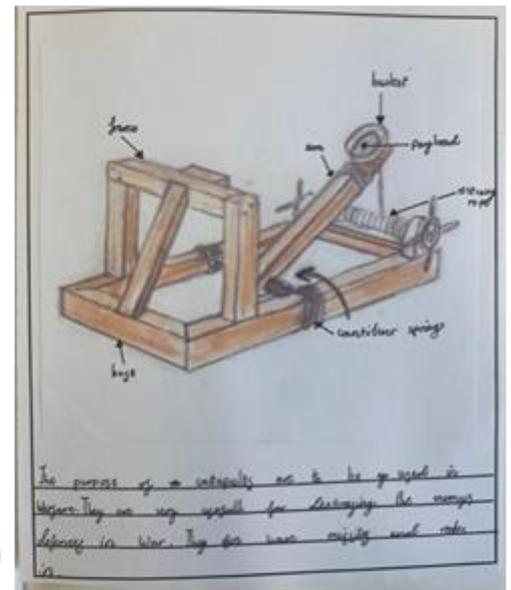
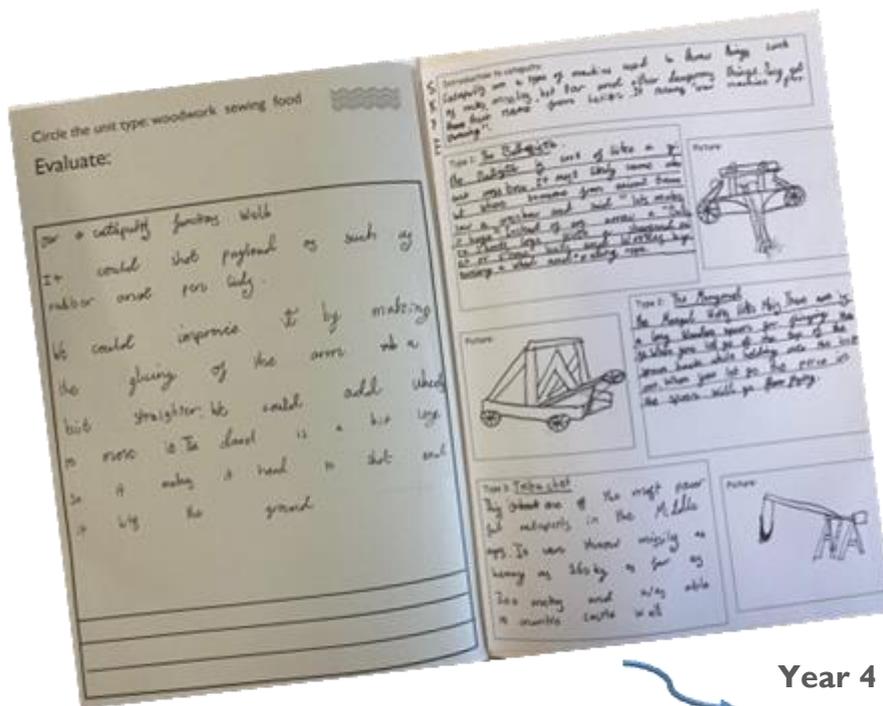
Every unit follows the same systematic 'Learning Journey': Research, Design, Make and Evaluate. Students are introduced to the design problem and the purpose and aims of the project are outlined. In the Research stage, pupils learn about the historical and cultural context of the product, as well as conduct 'market research' to learn more about the needs of their users.

At our school, we are fortunate to have a spacious and well-resourced D&T Suite which is fitted with work benches, vices and secure storage for materials, as well as a kitchen unit for cookery activities. Once pupils have finished making their products, they evaluate the effectiveness against a task brief and success criteria and consider how they might improve their design.



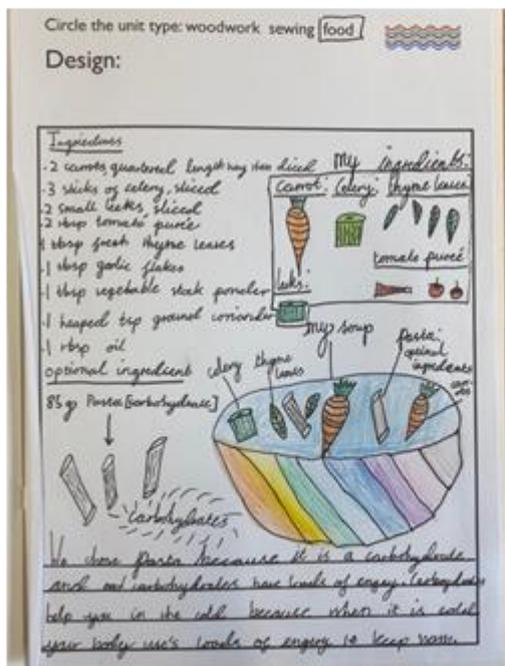
Year 3

Ancient Roman temples (wood working



Year 4

Catapults (wood work unit)



Year 4

Soups (cooking and nutrition unit)

DHJS/DVIS INTERNATIONAL AFTERNOON 2023

Wow! When the Dulwich Hamlet Junior School and Dulwich Village Infant School community come together we know how to celebrate all things international. It was fantastic to see so many children, parents and carers wandering around Village and Francis playgrounds sampling cuisines from around the World. Twenty three countries had stalls run by all the classes from both schools and parents. We also had a 'rest of the World' table with food from many other countries. Hopefully you managed to hear the beautiful singing from both school choirs, thank you Lesley Ewens and Sharon Campbell. We also hope you managed to watch and enjoy the Capoeira display, thank you Matt Gold and the Capoeira club.



A huge thank you to all the staff involved: the class teachers, teaching assistants, office staff, premises teams, Spike, the PTA for both schools and all the children. A massive thank you too to the parents and carers who sent in food, we had such a wide range of dishes. We mustn't forget our local community for their generous donations of food: We are very grateful to The Real Greek, D'Village, Au Ciel and Rocca, all situated within Dulwich Village, as well as 148 Chinese on Lordship Lane. Do go these restaurants and enjoy the full extent of their menus.

It was lovely to see so many of you dressed in traditional costume and clothing that showed representation for your country and culture. Thank you for coming along and joining in.



ALL THE FUN OF THE FAIR!!! PTA SUMMER FAIR 2023

SUMMER FAIR: What a scorcher last Saturday was for the fair, we wanted sunshine and that's what we got! Thank goodness for those slushes and bubble teas to cool everyone down. It was wonderful to see so many happy faces joining in the fun on the inflatables in Village playground, especially the sumo suits! As always, enormous thanks to all our volunteers for helping in the heat, the teachers for manning the games and those helping to clean and pack up all the equipment. 4G did an amazing job on the raffle, the winners have been contacted via email by Lisa D Jones and advised where and how to redeem your prizes.

We are over the moon to announce that we made a fabulous £4500 from the fair!

UNIFORMS: A reminder of the 6th July uniform sale in school for the New Parent and Carer evening. Anyone welcome as all sizes will be available, for anyone who can't make Friday mornings (6:15pm)

Please consider volunteering to help sell uniforms, the more volunteers means each volunteer may only be required once per month. Contact the PTA and we will pass on your contact to our PTA Uniform Team! Dulwichhamletpta@gmail.com

The PTA team.



Arty Party

Calling all
5-11 year
olds!

Summer Workshops

Monday 10th July - Friday 25th August 2023

9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

This Summer we'll be exploring where the ocean meets the sky! There will be flying fish and diving birds, Aeroplanes and boats, we'll be inspired by the wonderful Fan brother's book 'Ocean Meets Sky' as well as contemporary artists. Join us on this epic adventure as we make...

Hew Locke Flying Boats, Wonderful Whales, Spectacular Submarines, Beautiful Birds, Terrific Tropical Fish, Marvellous Moons, Wobbly Jellyfish, Sublime Sea Shells, Divine Cloud Drawings ... 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 printing, papier maché and casting. Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:

WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK

Cost £46 per day

5% discount off full 5 day week

We accept childcare vouchers!

Booking is for a minimum of 2 (preferably) consecutive days

Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall!

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 - 10th July - 25th Aug

Balham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 24th July - 25th Aug

Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 24th July - 18th Aug

Clapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 ODX - 24th July - 25th Aug

Blackheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 9JL - 31st July - 25th Aug

Dulwich: Dulwich Hamlet school, Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL - 24th July - 18th Aug



Book Now!