



The Devonshire Hill Times

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Here's the latest update on the events of November. We also have plenty of exciting events to look forward to in the run up to Christmas and the end of an incredible Autumn Term.

Year 6 Remembrance Service

On Monday the 12th November Year 6 visited Tottenham Cemetery. They attend a remembrance service to pay their respects to those who lost their lives in the two World Wars. This service was particularly special due to the fact that this year marks 100 years since the end of the First World War. There was a special mention to one of our House Heroes Walter Tull who was the first British Army Officer of Afro-Caribbean descent. Raykyra and Amiira in Azore Class told us about their experience: "There were a lot of schools who came together to acknowledge the soldiers who fought for our country. A two minute silence was held to show our **gratitude** and to reflect on all war past and present." During the service all attending children sang the song 'One More Step Along the World I Go'. Well done to everyone who attended, what a beautiful service this was.



Important Dates:

Monday 3rd December
Festive Post Boxes Open

Tuesday 4th December
Beauty & the Beast - Y5 & Y6
at Millfields Theatre

Guitar Concert - 2.15pm
Garnet Class & Continuers

Thursday 6th December
Cinderella Panto - R- Y2

Friday 7th December
Classroom Decorating 2pm
Parents/carers welcome

Mon 10th- Fri 14th December
Final Week of Afterschool Clubs

Friday 14th December
Christmas Jumper Day
£1 Donation

Christmas Lunch £2.30
Please inform School Office

Monday 17th December
All Home Learning Projects Due

Tuesday 18th December
Nursery & Reception Production
Parents/Carers welcome 2pm

Wednesday 19th December
Nursery Christmas Party
Whole School Singing Concerts
Y1-Y5

Thursday 20th December
Horrible Histories—Y3 & 4
at Alexandra Palace

Friday 21st December
Last Day in Autumn 2 Term

Mon 24th Dec - Fri 4th Jan
School Closed - Winter Break

Monday 7th January
First day in Spring Term

Green Tree School Award

Congratulations to our Nursery and Nature Club pupils and staff for their recent engagements with nature which have led to our school earning a total of 6 points towards our Green Tree Schools Award. Thanks to these efforts Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School have now been awarded a Silver Award for their involvement in environment based projects and outdoor learning and discovery. Well done to everyone who took part, your participation and understanding could have a significant impact on the success and future of the environment in which we live. What a truly important **responsibility!**



Gold Reading Award

A huge congratulations is in order as we present our first Gold Reading Award of the year! The star reader from Coral Class has read her way to success and earned a space in the Gold Book Club which meets every Friday lunchtime in the new School Library. We look forward to seeing more children reading their way to success before the end of Autumn Term. Reading for just 15-25 minutes every day is a brilliant effort towards reaching your goal. Don't forget to add each read to your Reading Record and remember **perseverance** is the key to your success.



To everybody who celebrated Diwali this month we hope that you had a very happy Diwali.



Pupils Plant School Woodland

Year 4 and Nature Club have now planted a woodland of Wild Cherry, Crab Apple, Silver Birch and Rowan trees on the school field. The hard work of all involved has earned 2 points towards the Green Tree School Awards.

Congratulations to all pupils and staff involved it was a huge job to plant the school woodland and everybody made it a true **success**. We can't wait for the trees to grow, it will take a long time but they will be bright and colourful,

they attract all types of wildlife and the woodland will be a great location to develop our outdoor learning.



School Council

The School council meet every Friday to discuss the changes and improvements that they would like to make happen at our school.

Council Reps are **responsible** for informing their Class of the content from each meeting. You can identify the Council Reps by their blue shield badge- if you have a suggestion for the School Council don't forget to speak to your Council Rep. They are able to bring the 'pupil voice' to the weekly council meetings.



Eco-Representatives

Each class have now elected two of their very own eco-representatives. These children will be invited to meetings to express their opinions and to make suggestions towards the schools engagement in eco-friendly activities. This is a very important subject for the children to be included in and allows them to take some action towards the environment of their future.

The **responsibility** of the eco-representatives will include planting a tree in the school grounds on behalf of their class, attending Eco Board Meetings and discussing and acting upon how our school can build and maintain an eco friendly status.



Christmas Craft Competition

Parent/Carers are invited to attend our annual Classroom Decorating Competition. Come along for the afternoon to help the children turn their classrooms into a festive wonderland.



We are now accepting donations to help give this year added sparkle. Please bring any unwanted ribbon, recycled Christmas cards, tinsel, wrapping papers, glitters, sweet wrappers etc to the school office to help inspire the children's creativity.

Friday 7th December - 2pm - 3:15pm

Christmas Lunch

This year the school Christmas Lunch will be on:

Friday 14th December

If your child usually has a packed lunch and they would like to have Christmas Lunch please ensure that this meal is paid for (£2.30) and that you have informed the school office of your meal change before Friday 14th December.



Festive Jumper Fundraiser

Once again the school is supporting Save the Children by participating in the annual Christmas Jumper Day. Pupils and staff are invited to wear a festive jumper to school for a donation of £1. Jumpers are to be worn over School Uniform. No Costumes Please.

**Friday 14th
December**



Seasons Greetings

From Monday 3rd December we will be opening our internal mail service for staff and pupils to send their festive wishes across the school. Everyone is invited to post their seasonal cards inside of the bright red and sparkly post boxes and our very own Devonshire Hill Elves will deliver them for you!



Don't forget to write the name and class of the recipient on the envelope.

