



# The Devonshire Hill Times

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Spring Term is officially here! We hope that everyone has had an excellent start to the year with much happiness and success to come. Take a look at the January highlights - we have been very busy so far. Don't forget to make a note of the key dates for February.

## 100% Attendance

Congratulations to all pupils and parents/carers who have received an award for attending school every day during the Autumn Term. A total of 133 pupils received an award for attending all 75 days of school between September and December. Well done everybody, this is a huge **success**. If you missed out on the award this term true **perseverance** could lead you to receive an award for your attendance during the Spring Term.



### Important Dates:

**Mon 4th - Fri 8th February**  
Work Week

**Monday 4th February**  
Fire Station Visit- Opal Class

**Tuesday 5th February**  
Tesco Visit - Amethyst Class  
LARDO Visit - Crystal Class

**Wednesday 6th February**  
Postal Museum Visit - Year 2  
Franco Manca - Garnet Class

**Thursday 7th February**  
Sainsbury's Visit - Emerald Class

**Friday 8th February**  
Fire Station Visit- Pearl Class  
Hammerson investment Trust  
Visit - Year 6

## Class Attendance

Each week during Celebration Assembly an announcement is made to highlight those classes with the best percentage of attendance over the week. The class with the highest percentage of attendance will receive a point to go towards the term. We are pleased to announce the winning classes for Autumn Term 2018 are as follows:

KS1: Diamond Class with 97.3%

LKS2: Coral Class with 98.22%

UKS2: Quartz Class with 98%

Well done to everyone who contributed to their class attendance you are setting an excellent example to the school, keep up the hard work.

## Into University



Both Azore Class and Ammolite Class have now graduated from our Into University Programme. This year there was a strong theme of maths and an expression towards the importance of maths application after education. Pupils had participated in a number of workshops, trips and presentations before they were awarded with their certificates of achievement. Congratulations Year 6.

**Monday 11th February**  
Transport Museum - Opal

**Tuesday 12th February**  
Transport Museum - Pearl

Launch of Felix Project -  
Look out for DH Market Stall

**Tuesday 14th February**  
School Day Ends at 1.15pm

**Parent/Carer Meeting**  
Open Afternoon - 1.30pm - 5pm

**Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February**  
February Half Term

**Mon 25th February**  
Spring 2 Begins - First day back

**Thursday 28th February**  
Apollo Music Project—Year 5

**Mon 4th- Fri 8th March**  
World Book Week

We would like to say  
'xin nian kuai le' to  
everybody who is  
celebrating Chinese  
New Year 2019 -  
Year of the Pig.



## Apollo Music

We are very excited to announce that Devonshire Hill are now participating in their second year of the Apollo Music Project. Over the next two terms Year 5 will be participating in a series of musical workshops and performances aimed at engaging and inspiring staff and pupils. This month we welcome back the string quartet. The four very talented musicians played beautiful music by combining sounds of the violin, viola and cello. Year 5 were able to discuss with the musicians how music can have an influence on mood and emotion. Pupils were asked to consider changes in their own feelings when the quartet played using a variety of techniques. David from the Apollo Music Project had such an enjoyable time during his first visit and commented that "It was a pleasure to play to children who listened so well and were so responsive. One of our violinists said that the session was possibly his favourite workshop of all, and he has been doing them for 14 years!" The project consists of six interactive and inspiring sessions and a trip to experience a symphony orchestra concert at Hackney Empire. We are very much looking forward to their next visit.



## Invitation to Meet the School Council

Dear parents/carers, the school council is made up of Devonshire Hill Pupils from Years 2-6. We would like to invite all parents/carers to discuss important learning matters with us.

### When

Thursday 7th February 2019 at 2.30 pm

### Where:

in the Conference Centre

### Hosted by:

the School Council

Yours sincerely, the School Council.



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## Chinese New Year of the Pig

There has been lots of excitement in the run up to the Chinese New Year celebrations. This year's performance was incredible and the pupils, staff and parent/carers were engaged and **curious** towards each of the varied skills presented by the Confucius Institute for Traditional Chinese Medicine. Cultural displays included traditional Chinese dance, music and martial arts. Thankyou to all parents/ carers who came along to celebrate with us, and a huge thankyou to all of the performers who shared their skills and culture with such passion.



## Eco Committee

Last month we announced the pupils from Year 1 - Year 6 who were elected as Eco Reps. These 12 pupils form the Eco Committee and have been meeting weekly in order to discuss the **responsibilities** of their roles and how they can apply themselves to increase the school's Eco Engagement. The Eco Committee are pleased to announce that our school has now been awarded a Gold award in the Green Trees School Project. A huge congratulations is due to everybody who took part in a Green Project during the Autumn Term. The Eco Committee will be working hard to ensure that our Gold status is maintained as well as working towards new projects in the near future.



## Devonshire Hill Market Stall - Felix Project

Very soon Devonshire Hill will be hosting a pop up market stall. Starting in mid February our school will be working alongside the Felix Project who will provide our market stall with healthy surplus foods from local retailers in an attempt to make use of perfectly edible food that would otherwise go to waste. The food on our stall may have damaged packaging or be misshapen but is still suitable to eat. The great thing about our market stall is that we are preventing food waste while providing access to perfectly nutritious food for our families to take home, and it's free.

