

# The Devonshire Hill Nursery and Primary School

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## Events for Your Diary

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to offer an exciting collection of events which will be taking place across the whole school from now until December. Many of these events are annual traditions at Devonshire Hill and they include parent/carer invitations. As always please remember to check the school's website regularly for updates [www.devonshirehill.com](http://www.devonshirehill.com).

### FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER



Submit your entries by morning registration on **Monday 27 Nov**

#### COMPETITION | N, R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 The Mayor of Haringey's "Holiday Happiness and Joy" Card

The Mayor of Haringey's competition is now open for entries. There will be a prize for first, second and third places and he will also select the first prize winning design to have printed as his official christmas card this year.

- the theme is **"Holiday Happiness and Joy"**
- designs should be colourful and drawn onto plain A4 paper
- please remember to include your name and class on the reverse of your design
- all entries must be submitted to your class teacher by morning registration on **Monday 27th November**

We are encouraging as many children to participate as possible - it would be wonderful to see a design from one of our talented young artists being selected.

### MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER



#### Now Accepting Raffle Donations & Jolly Jars | Tickets available from Mon 4 Dec

We are now accepting donations for the Christmas Raffle, following the huge success of Jolly Jars last March we are also including December themed jolly jars. Please bring your new, good quality donations and beautifully decorated and filled jolly jars to the raffle table. Suggestions include childrens toys and books, sweet treats, homemade crafts, trinket type gifts and Christmas decorations.



#### Photo Day | Individual & Sibling Photos | N, R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

All children should come to school in full school uniform. A change of clothes for Forest School & PE should be brought in a separate bag if required.

**Photographers:** Kittle Photographic - to place an order please use the QR code sent home with your child after their photo day.



#### Bikeability Week | Mon 20 - Fri 24th November | Selected Y5 & Y6

If your child is signed up to bikeability please ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the weather - they may wish to wear gloves with fingers (not mittens). Those with bikes and helmets should bring them to school and secure them in the bike store as they arrive each morning.

### WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER



#### Happy School Bag Collection

Please ensure that your clothing donations have been handed to the Main Office by Monday 22nd November at the absolute latest. Any donations made after this time will be turned away as we have nowhere to store them.

## FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER



### Star FUNdraiser | Decorate a star for the school tree | N, R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

We can't wait to see even more beautiful stars again this year! Everyone is invited to create beautifully decorated stars. Wooden stars can be purchased via the ParentMail Shop for £1 and decorated at home. Remember to return your decoration to the Main Office so that it can be hung on the Christmas Tree.

## MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER



### Final day to submit to The Mayor of Haringey's Competition!

Today is the final day to submit your 'Holiday Happiness and Joy' card designs for The Mayor of Haringey's competition. All entries must be submitted to your class teacher by morning registration.



### Bikeability Week | Mon 27 & Fri 28 November | Selected Y3 & Y4

If your child is signed up to bikeability please ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the weather - they may wish to wear gloves with fingers (not mittens). Those with bikes and helmets should bring them to school and secure them in the bike store as they arrive each morning.



### Into University Focus Week | Y6 Ammolite Class | Mon 27 November - Fri 1 December

A jam-packed week full of exciting events including activities and workshops at the local Tottenham University hub, and visits to [The Science Museum](#) on **Weds 29 Nov** and to [Northeastern University](#) on **Friday 1 December**.

## TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER



Submit your design by Tues 12 Dec

### COMPETITION: N, R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Headteacher's festive/seasons Greeting Card

Ms D'Abreu invites all children at Devonshire Hill School to design a beautiful festive card for 2023. Cards will be provided to all children and the winning designs will be selected by the headteacher herself before being hung in a very special place for all to see! The chosen theme is **'the wonder of winter'**. We are on the lookout for a very unique design with lots of added sparkle.

Submit designs to your Class Teacher by morning registration on **Tuesday 12 December**. Cards will still be accepted on **Wednesday 13 December 2023** to add to our display of cards but will not be entered into the competition.

**Design guidelines:** INCLUDE YOUR NAME and CLASS on the inside of the card

## FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER



### Christmas Tree Arrival | Ruffled for one of our families to take home at the end of term

A huge thankyou to 'Pines & Needles' who have agreed to donate the school with a fresh cut tree again this year. We can't wait to hang all of your beautifully decorated stars onto the tree!



### Y2 Trip | The Great Fire of London Workshop | Wren 300 at St Vedast-Alias-Foster

As part of our History curriculum, Diamond Class will be attending a school trip to experience the 'Wren, Rebuilding and The Great Fire of London' workshop.

## MONDAY 4 DECEMBER



### Raffle Tickets Available for the raffle table and for the christmas tree!

We will run two separate raffles, one for the Christmas tree (stand, lights and decoration not included) and one for the items on our raffle table.

Tickets can be purchased via the ParentMail app or by visiting the Office:  
Tickets will be £1 each or 5 for £2.

The winning tickets will be drawn on **Monday 18 December**.



### Classroom Decorating | R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 | Parents/Carers invited from 2pm

Families are invited for an afternoon of creating decorations with their child. Help to transform the classroom into a winter wonderland. Please hand crafty donations to your class teacher. Some suggestions include cotton wool, wrapping paper, pine cones, colourful sweet wrappers (quality streets), pre-loved decor.  
The best decorated class will receive an award!



### DH Post Boxes Open for Cards

Post your greetings cards into the DH Post Box and they will be delivered to your friends and teachers.

Remember to include a **name** and **class** on the envelope, any items without this information can't be delivered.

Final delivery will be: Tuesday 19 December.

## TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER



**£5 for tickets  
via ParentMail**

### Sleeping Beauty Panto | Y1 & Y2 at 10.00am | Y3 & Y4 at 1.00pm (returning at 3:45)

Children will attend the local [Millfield Theatre](#) to see 'Sleeping Beauty and The Guardians of Dreamland on a Journey to defeat the evil Maleficent once and for all!' Children will be travelling by foot and must wear full school uniform, a warm waterproof coat and bring a bottle of water.

**Year 1 & 2** will have lunch at school upon their return to school

**Year 3 & 4** will return to school at **3.45pm** please collect your child at this time.

## WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER



**£5 for tickets  
via ParentMail**

### Sleeping Beauty Panto | Y5 & Y6 at 9.00am

Children will attend the local [Millfield Theatre](#) to see 'Sleeping Beauty and The Guardians of Dreamland on a Journey to defeat the evil Maleficent once and for all!' Children will be travelling by public transport and must wear full school uniform under, and a warm waterproof coat and bring a bottle of water.

**Year 5 & 6** will have lunch at school upon their return.

## THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER



### Winter Jumper Day

This year's national event in aid of 'Save the Children' will be held on **Thursday 7 December**. Children and staff are invited to wear a winter themed jumper for the day. This is to be worn over your school uniform for a **£2 donation**. All donations are payable by cash in class on the day or by the Parent Mail Shop.



### 2024 Winter Jumper Calendar FUNdraiser

Due to last year's popularity, we will be creating **2024 Winter Jumper Calendars** for those that pre order on the Parent Mail shop. To avoid disappointment orders must be placed by close of day on **Tuesday 6th December**. The A3 size calendar will be £5.00 with a ribbon to hang it. All funds raised will go towards new resources and events at Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School.



### Christmas Lunch

Olive Dining will serve a traditional Christmas lunch on **Thursday 7 December** for children and staff to enjoy. The Christmas Menu can be seen at

[www.devonshirehill.com/parents/school-meals/](http://www.devonshirehill.com/parents/school-meals/)

**If your child usually has packed lunch and would like a School Meal on this occasion please contact the Main Office to let them know before the event day.**

## FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER



### Home Learning Projects Due | Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6

All children are required to submit at least one home learning project from their Autumn 2 Home Learning Passport. Projects will be presented in our Celebration Assembly the following week. Families are invited to join us to celebrate.

Home Learning Passports can be accessed online:

[www.devonshirehill.com/our-learning/home-learning/](http://www.devonshirehill.com/our-learning/home-learning/)

## MONDAY 11 DECEMBER - Final week of after school clubs and booster classes.



### Home Learning Celebration Assembly | Y4, Y5, Y6 - 9.05am - 9.30am

Parents/carers are invited to attend the final celebration assembly of the year. Children will show their incredible projects made for their home learning. We look forward to seeing you there.

Celebration Assembly will continue in the new year from Monday 15th January and will begin with 100% Attendance Awards.

## TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER



### Final day to submit to The Headteacher's Competition!

Today is the final day to submit your card designs for the Headteacher's competition. All entries must be submitted to your class teacher by morning registration.

*You may continue to submit designs after the closing date however they will not be judged as part of the competition.*

## WEDNESDAY 13 DECEMBER



### The Jolly Red Santa Production | N, R, Y1

Year 1 will enjoy **Nursery** and **Reception** perform in their winter production of 'The Jolly Red Santa'.

## THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER



**The Jolly Red Santa Production | Nursery & Reception | *parents/carers invited***  
Parents/carers of **Nursery** and **Reception** are invited to watch their child perform in our winter production of 'The Jolly Red Santa'. There will be two performances:  
**9.15am - 9.45am** and **2.30pm - 3.00pm.**

Please note that mobile phones must be off/on silent and kept in your pocket.

## FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER



**Home Learning Celebration Assembly | Y1, Y2, Y3 - 9.05am - 9.30am**

Parents/carers are invited to attend the final celebration assembly of the year. Children will show their incredible projects made for their home learning. We look forward to seeing you there. Celebration Assembly will continue in the new year from Monday 15th January and will begin with 100% Attendance Awards.



**Open Day Visit | 10.30am - 11.30am**

Prospective families join us for a tour of the school and to discuss joining Reception in 2024 or other year groups sooner. Nursery families who are yet to attend are encouraged to join us and hope to see you there.

Book your place using the [online form to let us know that you are attending](#).

## MONDAY 18 DECEMBER



**NO CLUBS from MONDAY 18 - THURSDAY 21 DECEMBER**

Please note that there are no after school clubs or booster sessions during the final week of term. Bookings for all Spring Term clubs can be made at: [www.devonshirehill.com/parents/after-school-clubs/](http://www.devonshirehill.com/parents/after-school-clubs/)



**Raffle tickets sales closes at 9.30am**

Tickets can be purchased via the ParentMail app or by visiting the Office. The winning tickets will be drawn on **Monday 18 December**.

**THURSDAY 21 DECEMBER - LAST DAY OF TERM:** School will finish at the usual times.



**End of Autumn Term Seasonal Party**

To mark the end of a successful term we will celebrate with a party on the last day. Children and staff are invited to come to school in their **best party clothes**. The school will provide **entertainment including music, cinema and dancing**. There will be no food at our party this year so please ensure that you pack your child with a healthy lunch if they are not having a school meal.

## KEY DATES IN JANUARY

**MON 8 JAN**

Inset Day - **SCHOOL CLOSED - Staff only**

**TUES 9 JAN**

**First Day in Spring 1 Term** Welcoming our families back! See you at the gate at 8.45am.

**FRI 12 JAN**

Inflatable Obstacle Course for the **WINNING HOUSE & 100% Attendees** of Autumn Term

**THURS 8 FEB**

Parent/Carer Open Afternoon. School closes to children at 1.15pm details to follow...

Yours sincerely,  
Julie D'Abreu | Headteacher

