



The Devonshire Hill Times

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We warmly welcome back all staff, parents/carers and pupils. We hope that everyone had a wonderful half term break. Pupils have been working hard with their learning in full focus.

STEM Showcase Success

Prior to half term Onyx Class participated in the 'Greig City Academy's annual STEM Showcase'. The Year 5 engineers exhibited their amazing custom-made Raspberry Pi battling Robots. The robots, which are programmed in Scratch and controlled by a 'remote', were put to the test in their very own 'Robot Wars'. The robots were each attached to a sharp pin and a balloon and, as our year 4 pupils supported from the audience, the competitors attempted to burst their opponent robot's balloon. One robot was even controlled by touching potatoes and carrots! This was the first time Devonshire Hill has exhibited at the STEM Showcase and it was a great success! Well done to everyone involved.



The Big Easter Raffle



Please generously donate Easter eggs for our Big Easter Raffle!

Devonshire Hill Football Finalists

DHPS boys 'elite' football team recently participated in the 'Premier League Primary Stars Football Tournament'. Over one hundred primary schools were involved. In the first stage our boys successfully played their way to being one of the best eight teams in Haringey. This qualified them for the regional finals on 14th February at the Tottenham Hotspur FC world class Training Centre 'Hotspur Way' in Enfield. They were fantastic on the day and managed to get to the final, finishing as runners up. Congratulations to the boys for their excellent effort! They can now proudly call themselves the second best primary football team in North London.

Forest School Development

Over the last few weeks contractors have been busy making exciting changes to the school field. This development supports our forest school and outdoor learning curriculum. The first step involves supporting our beautiful geo-domes to finalise them as outdoor classrooms. It is here that our pupils will develop their knowledge of the great outdoors and discover a broad variety of skills relating to outdoor craft and survival. Our Year 3 pupils have had key involvement in forest school learning, here is what they have to say:



'It's so fun, we create a lot in the wild.' 'We learn how to cut wood with saws.'
'We made nature patterns with leaves and sticks.'
'There are lots of trees, we ate on the rocks and we built a swing'

Watch this space, there's lots more exciting news to come!

Important Dates:

Every Thursday

Coffee Morning 9-10am

Monday 2nd March

LKS2 Celebration Assembly 9am
Accepting Easter Egg Donations for Big Easter Raffle

Tuesday 3rd March

UKS2 Celebration Assembly 9am

Wednesday 5th March

World Book Day

Friday 7th March

KS1 Celebration Assembly 9am

Friday 13th March

Book Fair

Thursday 19th March

Apollo Music - Dream Centre Y5

Friday 27th March

Home Learning Projects Due

Monday 30th March

LKS2 Home Learning Assembly

Tuesday 31st March

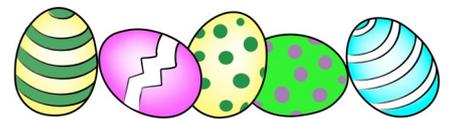
UKS2 Home Learning Assembly

Friday 3rd April

KS1 Home Learning Assembly

Mon 6th - Fri 17th April

Half Term Holiday



IT'S WORLD BOOK DAY!



Come to school dressed as a character from one of your English Focus Books - £1

To celebrate our love for reading we will participate in:

Share a Million Stories
A Special Book Themed Lunch

Sponsored Read



Work Week

What an exciting end to Spring 1 Term! Pupils were able to participate in a number of inspirational workshops and trips which explored a wide variety of careers. From builders in Nursery and chefs in Year 4, to fashion designers at the V&A museum in Year 5. The pupils had a fantastic and productive week and these valuable experiences offer an optimistic vision of their future. You can be anything you aspire to be with hard work, kindness, and positivity.



Former 1950's Pupil

Hazel Mould, a former pupil who attended Devonshire Hill in the 1950s came in to visit our Year 5 and 6 Pupils during work week. Her talk was very inspirational as she explained her journey as a young girl growing up in Tottenham. She talked about the significance of her school experience, the importance of kindness and how her love of learning was the key to her success. Hazel, the former co-owner of a top British modelling agency, is now an established porcelain doll maker who travels the world to share her knowledge and skills with others. We look forward to hearing more about Hazel on her next visit.



Chinese New Year

What an incredible celebration we had to welcome the year of the rat. Pupils were amazed by the talented performers of the Confucius Institute which included Chinese opera singers, talented musicians who played traditional instruments and martial artists. We even had a Chinese themed lunch with noodles and fortune cookies on the menu in the school canteen.



Mr Numbervator

Mr Numbervator recently visited our school to run a mathematical workshop for BAME boys of DHPS and six other Haringey Schools. His approach to teaching essential maths concept captured the imagination of our pupils, assisting them to see the fun side of maths. The boys successfully completed a variety of challenges aimed at enhancing their mathematical reasoning skills.



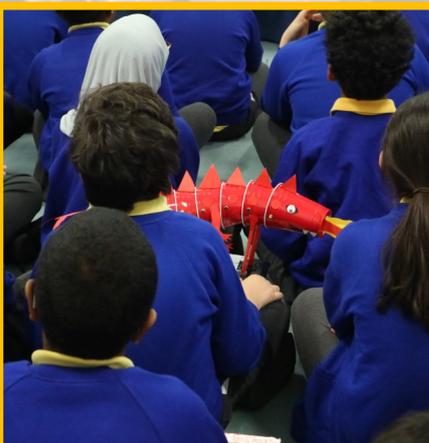
Tottenham University

We were recently joined by pupils from four other Tottenham schools to meet the inspirational Dr Javid Abdelmoneim. Pupils demonstrated their curiosity through very interesting questions about Dr Abdelmoneim's experiences within the medical industry. Each answer given was motivating and full of incredible stories. We are certain that his words will have influenced the next generation of medical professionals. What a brilliant experience for all!

Home Learning

Another collection of incredible projects have entered our school, congratulations to everyone who has worked so hard on their projects. Home learning projects are the perfect opportunity for pupils to apply their new history/geography knowledge at home and create something very special with their families. The next project briefs on the Learning Journey Maps are due into school on:

Friday 27th March



Dragon project by Deam in Year 5
For History Topic - Shang Dynasty