



# The Devonshire Hill Times

We are excited to be welcoming back more of our families before the school breaks for the Summer Holidays. Please remain in contact, check the school website and your Parent Mail accounts for the latest updates. Although the school is open to reduced numbers of pupils and staff we have been very busy and have lots of exciting news to report.



### Important Dates:

**Mon 1st June - Fri 17th July**  
TTRS Battle of the Classes  
(Summer 2)

**Friday 10th July**  
Home Learning Projects to:  
homelearning@devonshirehill.haringey.sch.uk

**Thurs 16th July**  
Last Day of Summer Term

**Fri 17th July - Tues 1st September**  
Summer Holiday

**Weds 2nd - Fri 4th September**  
Inset Days - School Closed

**Monday 7th September**  
First Day of Autumn Term

## Bubble Number 9!

In the last week of June our school welcomed back a 9th bubble of children. Currently we have a total of 100 happy children registered to attend school and they are adapting fantastically to the 'new normal'. It would be amazing to see more children entering the school gates in the coming weeks as the academic year 2019-20 draws to a close. All children attending school and benefited from seeing their friends and teachers, keeping active through sports activities, engaging in carefully organised educational activities including lots of outdoor time. If, like us, you want your child to benefit from returning to an educational setting prior to the summer holidays please contact the school office to register your child. We are eager to arrange their safe return. We look forward to seeing more of your happy faces very soon!

## Ducklings

We are very excited to announce the successful hatching of three fluffy yellow ducklings. The ducks eggs were incubated in school for four days before pecking their way out to meet our curious pupils. Their favourite activities are grooming their feathers, playing tag in their pen, cuddling with the children, and eating. They had their very first swimming lesson in the classroom before heading to their permanent home on a local farm.



## Battle of the Classes Summer 2

There's only 1 week left of the final Battle of the classes for this academic year. The last few days could really count! Remember by earning points on your TTR Stars account you are contributing to the overall score for your class. **Persevere** times table rockers, remember we are looking to see which class can beat the top score of 29,226! Keep checking back on the school website for an announcement of the Summer Term champions! Remember you can access TTRS throughout the Summer Holidays, keep working your maths brain and you will have a head start when you return in September.

## Flower Power

The local flower company at Wolves Lane **generously** donated some flower stems for children to take home and mark their first week back at school. Among the stems were lavender, calendula, feverfew, cornflower and fennel. The Wolves Lane Flower Company also left us a very exciting note: 'Dear Devonshire Hill...when it is safe to do so we would love to show you around our micro flower farm and talk to you about how easy it is to grow your own flowers.' There will be lots for us to look forward to in the new academic year.



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## Sunflowers

Thankyou to all of those who have shared an update of your sunflowers. They are growing taller day by day. We cant wait to see the beautiful flowers blooming! Perhaps you are growing some fruits or vegetables? Whatever it is that you are growing remember to share your stories with us so that we can celebrate your **success** with the school community.



## New Playground Equipment

We are excited to announce the installation of some new playground equipment in the KS2 playground. The new 'gym zone' is made up of 5 exciting workout stations which require one or more pupils to participate in the movement of their body weight. Perfect for strengthening those arms and legs in an enjoyable way with lots of teamwork. Keeping active has always been an important part of daily school routine. Since being under lockdown it is even more of a priority to keep our bodies moving and fit and healthy. What have you been doing to stay active? Send your pictures or videos into [homelearning@devonshirehill.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@devonshirehill.haringey.sch.uk).



## Outdoor Explorers

There has been even more development with our Forest School as nature takes over and the staff at Devonshire Hill volunteer their green fingers to maintaining and finalising the finer details to keep our new forest healthy and strong. The trees and willow sculptures have grown substantially. The area is abundant in wild flowers and wildlife which offers plenty to explore. We can't wait to see the children and staff apply their **curiosity** and develop new skills in the new academic year. In the meantime why not see what wildlife you can discover in your local outdoor spaces its surprising what you see when you look closely. Please do share your discoveries by sending your pictures to the home learning email [homelearning@devonshirehill.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@devonshirehill.haringey.sch.uk).



## Home Learning

We are still very eager to share your learning experiences especially with those of you who are currently still unable to attend school in person. Don't forget you can send us pictures of your home learning successes and achievements for us to share with the wider school community. With only a few weeks left of the academic year we hope to see some of your best work yet including those very important Home Learning Projects! We value that learning from home is an important part of every day home life and would love to share your stories from the summer break too!

## Summer Holidays 2020



**Current school term ends:**  
Thursday 16th July 2020  
at your usual collection time.



**Autumn Term begins:**  
Monday 7th September 2020

If travelling abroad please take into consideration the current 2 week isolation guidelines.

Pupils are expected to return to school on **Monday 7th September**

