



# Dallington CEP School

Issue 16

16<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Inez Morse

Head of School: Mr Paul Cox

*Providing children with Christian values that will give them confidence in school and the wider world*

## Tests

By the time you read this our wonderful year 6 children would have completed their week of tests. They would have sat 6 test papers in what is a long and challenging week. As with everything else they have completed the week brilliantly and all tried their hardest. We have had nervous children but they have been happy throughout. A massive well done to all our year 6 children and to the staff who have helped the children conquer this week! Enjoy your day at the beach!

## Tennis

Recently eight of our year 3/4 children travelled to Cross in Hand to take part in the annual Heathfield Schools tennis tournament. Under the expert coaching expertise of Mrs Bridges they went and won! A massive congratulations to all of the children who took part – they have now qualified for the next round where they will compete from other schools across East Sussex.

## Photographs

I hope you like the new class photographs that came home last week. I think that the outside really adds something different to the pictures. Any feedback from you as parents is always welcome.

## Collective worship

As we continue to teach the children about different cultures and religions I am really pleased to tell you about two special visitors we have had in to lead collective worship. Last week we welcomed a practicing Buddhist in to Dallington to teach the children all about her beliefs. Kelsang Lam-ma led the worship and told the children all about her clothes, her beliefs and taught them a simple meditation. It was a wonderful insight into a different religion. Next week we welcome The Revd Andy Caldwell to lead our collective worship he is the pastor of Welcome Baptist Church in Heathfield. This promises to be another interesting look at a different branch of Christianity.

## Dates added

Please check the dates below as new events have been added.

## Lots of letters

Apologies for the amount of letters coming home today but there was lots we needed to inform you about... sorry . If anyone has any questions about anything that was reported today please ask.

## First news

Another piece of information that is coming home today is a flyer for First News. First News is a newspaper for children. We have

been fortunate enough to have a subscription in school for a couple of years now. It offers news, games, competitions all in child friendly speak. If you are struggling to get your child to read at home this might be a different way into encouraging them.

## Attendance

Firstly, congratulations our attendance is still improving on last year but I feel it will dip this term as we have had a lot of people off. We are getting more and more incidents of children missing key bits of work and then struggling to catch up. Our wonderful teachers can only do so much!

## Garden

I am not sure if anyone has had an opportunity to look at our raised garden beds recently but we have had three mums – Claire Young, Clare White and Paula Hutchings, who have worked tirelessly to transform the area from a space lacking in love to a garden that is being used productively. Not only have they cleared all the weeds etc they have already started having children out to plant and more importantly learn about their environment. When the children come out to garden we ask them to wear wellies, we have several pairs of spare wellies in the shed but we are short of larger size wellies. If you have any old pairs at home you don't need or want please could they be donated to the school? They will get good use and be gratefully received.

## Finally...

As I sit writing this newsletter I have just received an email from Mrs Dipple, she is the proud mum of a new baby boy. He was born on Wednesday at 11.23am – he weighed 10lb 3oz. A massive congratulations to the whole Dipple family.

## Dates for your diary ....

### May

13-16<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATs tests  
24<sup>th</sup> Last day of term 5

### June

3<sup>rd</sup> term 6 starts  
3-5<sup>th</sup> Brightling residential  
18<sup>th</sup> new parents meeting 6pm  
19<sup>th</sup> Federation day  
24<sup>th</sup> Brian Moses visit  
25<sup>th</sup> Sports morning 9:30am  
26<sup>th</sup> Brightling – school trip  
27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> KS1 production 10am/2pm  
28<sup>th</sup> Diocese leaver's service 10.30am  
St Leonards

### July

4<sup>th</sup> HASP swimming gala  
10/11<sup>th</sup> KS2 production 2pm/6pm  
12<sup>th</sup> Summer disco  
13<sup>th</sup> Summer fair  
15<sup>th</sup> reports home  
22<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 leavers day  
23<sup>rd</sup> Leavers assembly at St Giles  
23<sup>rd</sup> Last day of term

## TERM DATES

Term 5	Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr to Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May
May Half term	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> May to Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Term 6	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> June to Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> July

## TERM DATES 2019/20

Term 1	4 Sept 2019	-	25 Oct 2019
Autumn term	28 Oct 2019	-	1 Nov 2019
break			
Term 2	4 Nov 2019	-	20 Dec 2019
Christmas break	23 Dec 2019	-	3 Jan 2020
Term 3	6 Jan 2020	-	14 Feb 2020
February break	17 Feb 2020	-	21 Feb 2020
Term 4	24 Feb 2020	-	3 April 2020
April break	6 April 2020	-	17 April 2020
Term 5	20 April 2020	-	22 May 2020
May break	25 May 2020	-	29 May 2020
Term 6	1 June 2020	-	22 July 2020

