

Dallington CEP School

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...be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith and our pure life

World book day

I am so pleased that we made the decision to hold our book day celebration when we returned to school – what a day it was! Hats off to you as mums and dads ...the costumes were amazing! There was so much positivity around the school on that day – excitement for the costumes, everyone being inquisitive about the characters and a sense of belonging. We now need to channel that enthusiasm into reading.





Poetry comp

Every year the children of key stage 2 take part in the Heathfield schools poetry competition. The children choose a poem and have to learn it off by heart with the understanding they will perform it to an audience. It is always a day filed with nerves, excitement and words!! All of key stage 2 were amazing and performed so well — even those that were taken way out of their comfort zone! We had winners from each class and then an overall winner.



Saskia won and went forward to represent Dallington against other schools from the Heathfield area. Saskia learnt and performed 'Life doesn't frighten me' by Maya Angelou. The final was held virtually, Saskia waited patiently whilst other children performed. Eventually her name was called and she burst into life. Her performance was called mature, dynamic, fluent and powerful. She was amazing!! Saskia came second overall. A massive thank you to HASP for running this competition again and to all of our wonderful children who took part- you should all be very proud.



Library

As part of our book day celebrations we launched a virtual library. Reading continues to be a focus for us as a school- this will allow children to access a selection of books online. The library will be updated every term — there are topic books, books based around personal, social health and a general reading section, Hopefully this will allow children to hear books being read, try a book before reading it themselves and access books in a different way. The virtual library was launched on Monday — it is on Google Classroom/Tapestry and the class pages of the school website.

Happy reading everyone!

Book amnesty

As you tidy over the Easter holidays please have a look for any school books that may be lurking behind cupboards, under beds or at the back of a sofa. The books should contain a Dallington school label. Thank you

Uniform

Thank you for your support this term but after Easter we will be returning to a full uniform. The children also need to have a full PE kit in

school. Hopefully we will be outside and they do need to change – footwear as well. Thank you

Collection time

I am sure there will be a few announcements over the Easter break but we are, whilst maintaining our safety standards, trying to return to normal. All children will need to be dropped off at 9am and collected at 3:15pmwe will still have the two entrances/exits but hopefully this will make it easier for those parents with children in different key stages. I will studybugs over the holidays to remind you!

<u>Holi</u>

On last Friday we held our Holi festival. Holi is a Hindu festival that celebrates Spring, new beginnings and love. There was a lot of excellent learning, paint and enjoyment flying around. It was a brilliant day where we saw the bubbles come together in work and play.



INSET Day

We have only just returned but just to let you know that we have two INSET days booked in for the start of term 5. The 19th and 20th April

will both be training days and the children will return to school on Wednesday 21st April

Happy Easter

I just want to wish everybody a relaxing and enjoyable Easter holiday. Hopefully life is slowly returning to normal and there will be other opportunities over Easter for us to enjoy ourselves outside of our homes! Thank you everyone for your support, it has not been an easy time but we have made it work. We have strong foundations on which we operate and those alongside your support, the amazing teachers and brilliant children have made a difficult period in education and the planet seem less daunting. Have a great Easter and I look forward to welcoming you all back on Wednesday 21st April

Dates for your diary (will be updated regularly please keep checking)

Everything is subject to change as we will follow Government guidelines.

April

1st Easter bunny visits Dallington 1st April last day of term 4

19th INSET DAY 20th INSET DAY 21st First day of term 5 26th Writing week

May

28th End of term 5

June

7th Start of term 6 w/b 14th RSHE week

July

8th Sports morning 9th Open afternoon 2:15pm 10th FODS summer extravaganza 12th Annual reports sent home 12th Year 5/6 activity week 16th FODS Summer disco 20th Move up morning 22nd last day of term 6

Term dates 20/21

Term	Start date	End date
School Term 1	4 September	23 October
School Term 1	2020	2020
Autumn school holiday	26 October	30 October
Autumn school nonday	2020	2020
School Term 2	2 November	18 December
School Term 2	2020	2020
Christmas school holiday	21 December	1 January
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School Term 3	4 January 2021	12 February
		2021
February school holiday	15 February	19 February
	2021	2021
School Term 4	22 February	1 April 2021
	2021	
Spring school holiday	2 April 2021	16 April 2021
School Term 5	19 April 2021	28 May 2021
Early May bank school	3 May 2021	
holiday falls in Term 5		
May school holiday	31 May 2021	4 June 2021
School Term 6	7 June 2021	23 July 2021