



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

Welcome back

Welcome back to everyone following, what I hope, was a long relaxing Easter – although that does seem a long time ago now! This term is always a funny one – enjoyable because the mornings are lighter, the days sunnier but we have SATS right in the middle of it! Both Year 2 and Year 6 will have their SATS this term. Year 2 SATS will be handled in a very relaxed way and hopefully the children will not even realise they are taking tests. The year 6 SATS are slightly more formal. Starting the week beginning the 9th May – all year 6 children, across the country will sit six tests – a mixture of spelling, grammar, reading and maths. It is not anyone's favourite week but the children and staff have worked so hard and it will be an opportunity for them to show how brilliant they are!

The class brochures are coming home today and these will outline the topic – around the world in 100 days- for the final two terms of this year. If you have any knowledge about another country and would like to share that please speak to one of the class teachers.

Reach for the stars!

On Wednesday we were visited by Sam Tompkins, a former pupil of Dallington School. Sam did not always find school easy but he followed his passion and his dream and now has a recording contract, a top 10 album, is touring the world playing to thousands of people and has Justin Bieber on his contact list!! I think we can agree he has done well! Sam came in to talk to the children about 'not being a sheep' and following your dreams –

no matter what they are. It was a wonderful visit and hopefully inspired our current children to believe in themselves and realise anything is possible. Sam's music is available on all platforms – some of his songs are not suitable for children but he is well worth a listen. A massive thank you to SJ for organising this visit.



Eggs

From one exciting visitor to another. When we returned from Easter we found a huge nest and two very large, colourful eggs on the school field. It created a lot of excitement and a lot of questions. To answer all of the questions we then had a zoom call with a dinosaur expert who told us all about the eggs. Then on the Wednesday afternoon one of the eggs hatched. Finally on Thursday we had a special visitor who came in not only to talk about dinosaurs but he had with him some special guests. The children are currently producing some excellent writing about this excitement. It will be up on display soon for everyone to see.



Geese eggs

Not quite as mysterious as the eggs on the field but Brightling class are hatching geese eggs. They are currently in the incubator – nice and toasty. They are due to hatch w/b 9th May. Thank you to Paula for organising this.

Revisiting chicks

It would appear that, as well as former pupils returning to Dallington we had former chicks returning as well. Paula kindly brought back some of the chicks that Dallington class had hatched. They had grown so much in a short space of time. The children loved seeing them again and noticing how much they had changed.



Quad kids

Following a successful series of lessons in school we sent along eight of our older children to the Quad Kids final in Crowborough. The children all took part in athletic activities – standing jump, running etc. I am really proud to announce that we came third overall, with Finley (Yr 6) finish second in the boys' category. A massive well done to all of our participants – they will all be presented with medals very soon.



FODS

Fun food Fridays - fundraising for Ukraine.

Thank you all so much!! Throughout March we collected up all the profits made through our fun food Fridays and amazingly raised £196.61!!

Upcoming dates

Below are the dates for the next two terms. Obviously somethings will change or events will be added – please keep checking.

Save the date - 3rd July - Summer event

Our Summer event this year is going to be a bit different... FODS are organising a sponsored circular walk from the school, then celebrating with BBQ afterwards on Sunday afternoon 3rd July. We hope it will be a really lovely fun family afternoon. So please do put the date in the diary and we will be sending out more information soon.

Shopping with Amazon smile and easy fundraising! For all those winter shopping 'trips' why not sign up to these shopping apps... An easy way to raise money for the school at no extra cost to you!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> click on your favourite retailer and raise funds for our school.

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to FODS - at no cost to you.

Login once at smile.amazon.com and each time you shop our children will gain.

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

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

May

4th Tag rugby tournament pm
5th Class photographs
w/b 9th KS2 SATS
11th Yr 3/4 tennis tournament
13th Brightling class trip to the beach
19th Dance workshop – whole school
23rd Jubilee week
27th Street party
27th Last day of term 5

June

6th First day of term 6
16th ASSR flower festival
w/b 13th Sex education week
29/30th Big Dance – Brightling class
30th Sports day

July

1st Year 6 Dioceses leavers service
11th Reports home
15th Open afternoon
18th Year 6 leavers day
21st Last day of the year

Term	Start date	End date
School INSET day	Wednesday 1 September 2021	
School Term 1	Thursday 2 September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Autumn school holiday	Monday 25 October 2021	Friday 29 October 2021
School Term 2	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Christmas school holiday	Monday 20 December 2021	Monday 3 January 2022
School Term 3	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 11 February 2022
February school holiday	Monday 14 February 2022	Friday 18 February 2022
School Term 4	Monday 21 February 2022	Friday 1 April 2022
Spring school holiday	Monday 4 April 2022	Monday 18 April 2022
School Term 5	Tuesday 19 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Early May bank school holiday falls in Term 5	Monday 2 May 2022	
May school holiday	Monday 30 May 2022	Friday 3 June 2022
School Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	Thursday 21 July 2022