



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

Year 4 residential

On Wednesday 5th, the year 4's, from across the Federation met up at Bewl Water for their annual residential. They were all so amazing – challenging themselves with every activity and making new friends from across the Federation. I was lucky enough to go up on Thursday and I was so proud of everyone – staff and children. The children threw themselves into every activity – even when they were apprehensive. The staff left sleeping soundly off of the agenda but were amazing and supported the children expertly as they flourished. A massive thank you to both the children and staff for an amazing residential that I know they all enjoyed.



Harvest Festival

I just wanted to reiterate my words from Tuesday - I would like to thank everyone who was able to support us – either by turning up to church, donating food to support our cause or both! The turnout of parents and grandparents was amazing and I hope you were as impressed with the children's performances as I was – I cannot stop singing Big Red Combine Harvester! Mrs CB and I delivered all of the produce to the Fellowship of St Nicholas, they were, like us blow away by your generosity. The gentleman who helped us unload kept saying what a difference this could make. He explained that the previous week they had supported 67 families and received over 20 calls about receiving support. Your food and generosity will help support a lot of local families over the coming weeks...thank you!



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Car park

Just a reminder that the staff car park is just that, a staff car park. Please don't park in there at drop off or collection time as this can be a safeguarding risk - thank you.

New parents dates

It doesn't seem possible, we have only been back four weeks and already year 6 have started applying for secondary schools. We have only just settled our wonderful new reception children and now we have dates for next year's class. If you know if anyone who is interested in their children attending Dallington School, our prospective parent meetings are:

Tuesday 8th November 5:30pm
Wednesday 9th November 9:30am

These dates are on the front page of the school website. If people cannot make these dates I would be more than happy to show them around our wonderful school at a different time.

Curriculum meetings

We have successfully held the first two of our curriculum meetings. The curriculum meetings will be about informing you on how we teach and how your child learns. After the theory we will be inviting you to observe lessons - so hopefully you will get the theory and the practice. (The lessons will happen after half term.) We have

Maths – 13/10 9:15am
English – 20/10 9:15am

Each meeting will last about an hour and walk you through how we teach, what your children will be learning and how you can support at home. Parents are welcome at one or all of the meetings.

Attendance

This week we will be sending home the updated attendance policy. It is important that you read it as from half term we will be fining for lateness. The policy is also on the school website. We have had so many people taking holidays already – we are judged on our attendance and this is not acceptable. We will reassess if we need to fine for holidays. Mrs Bartley is spearheading our attendance drive and is following the East Sussex County Council protocols. If you have any questions after you have read the policy do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Bartley.

Events / dates

We have changed a few dates as we have added our Inset days – these have had a knock on effect for the Christmas dates.

Brightling Class

Every Friday when the children come into collective worship we play a piece of music that underpins the school ethos. We play 'This is me' from the Greatest Showman - we discuss how it doesn't matter what you look like, where you are from or anything else it is about the person you are ... and we should all be proud of ourselves. So you can imagine how proud I was when I went into Brightling class and they were, through PSHE, discussing body image. There was so much intelligent, mature discussion happening. They have produced some wonderful work and it is up in school – please take time to come and have a look as I think sometimes we all need reminding how special each and every one of us is!

FODS

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When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com), Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to FODS - at no cost to you.

Login once at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and each time you shop our children will gain.

Upcoming dates

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

October

11th Year R and Year 1 coffee morning
18th Whole school coffee morning
21st Welly walk
21st Last day of term
31st INSET DAY

November

1st First day of term 2
1st Open afternoon 2:15pm
2nd Parents evening 3:30pm
3rd Parents evening 6pm
10th Take over day (year 6)
11th **FODS Disco**
w/b 14th Anti Bullying week
17th Take over day (year 6)
18th Mufti day for Children in Need
30th Decoration making morning

December

1st Choir singing at Glynbourne
2nd Christmas carols – Bodle Street – Kings Church
12th **Class Christmas parties**
13th Nativity 2pm St.Giles
14th Christmas lunch
14th Nativity 6pm St.Giles
15th **Carol service at St Giles**
16th **Inset Day**

January

3rd Term 3 starts

Term dates 2022/2023

Term	Start date	End date
Term 1	Thursday 1 September	Friday 21 October
Autumn school holiday	Monday 24 October	Friday 28 October
Term 2	Monday 31 October Tuesday 1 st November	Friday 16 December Thursday 15 th December
Christmas school holiday	Monday 19 December	Monday 2 January
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January	Friday 10 February
February school holiday	Monday 13 February	Friday 17 February
Term 4	Monday 20 February	Friday 31 March
Spring school holiday	Monday 3 April	Friday 14 April
Term 5	Monday 17 April	Friday 26 May
May school holiday	Monday 29 May	Friday 2 June
Term 6	Monday 5 June	Friday 21 July