

# **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

# **Snow procedure**

I hope that I'm not tempting fate! If we have very bad weather and need to close the school, this is the procedure:

If the snow or ice comes over night, a decision will be made by 7am as to whether it is safe to open the school. If the decision is taken not to open then a notice will be placed on our website, school Facebook page and a Study Bugs sent.

At the same time ESCC will be informed and a notice will be available on their website; you can also sign up for an 'alert' from ESCC if our school is closed.

Local radio stations will also be informed, but this tends to be quite slow.

If we need to close during the day, we will Study Bugs, Facebook out as a matter of urgency; we would ask that you spread the word to other parents too.



# Take over day

Each year the children of year 6 get to apply for a job across the school. They can be teachers, teaching assistants, secretary, caretaker, cooks and this year the head teacher. The children apply with a letter and then are allocated a role. If they are a teacher they are expected to lead a small part of a lesson, if they are the secretary they answer the phones etc- basically they do the same jobs as the normal staff. It is a wonderful opportunity and one that they all embrace. The children all love the opportunity to have a taste of working life and although they work hard they are pleased to return to being children the next day!

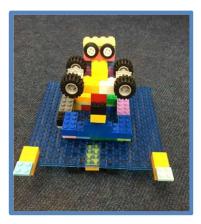
## Kindness week

As part of the national Anti – Bullying week we ran a kindness week. There was lots of excellent work carried out in class. We had lots of notes being left for peers about reasons they are so special. We have a display in the schools main corridor where children have recorded their feelings and kind words. Next time you are in school please take a minute to read them.



## Lego club

Last week we started our new Lego club. It is currently open to years 2-4. The children are set a challenge and then have 40 minutes to build the best creation possible. Pictures are then taken and uploaded to a central website where children from across the country can leave comments. What do you think of their aliens?



## Children in need

Firstly a massive thank you for your all support. Ten of our children from Brightling class went to Young at Heart and made cupcakes – these were then sold after school. From these cakes and the others kindly donated by other parents we raised £117. These same children then went to Heathfield on Thursday to join the members of Young at Heart to watch the Children in Need parade. Henry and Olivia were interviewed for the radio and the children where all on the news! On the Friday we held a mufti day and with a very kind donation from FODS we raised a total of £260 for this wonderful cause!



## **Decoration making morning**

We held our annual decoration making morning yesterday. The children engaged in an exciting morning of making, sticking, folding and cutting to create festive decorations to adorn the school. Thank you to everyone who was able to support our glitter filled fun!





# Reading

On a Thursday we have been running a professional development programme. Each week we are watching each other teach – this means that the other children have been coming together to improve their reading. We have been doing lots of paired reading, reading bingo and other activities. It has been so lovely to see the children supporting and learning from each other.



# **Football**

If you are bored with the World Cup already I would just like to let you know that our girl's football team- after winning the Heathfield area schools tournament they travelled to Uckfield to take part in the second round – they were pitted against schools from the Uckfield area. As before they did an amazing job – being the shining lights we expect on and off the pitch. They finished fourth – which is an amazing achievement. Well done everyone!



#### **FODS**

Christmas is rapidly approaching. When you shop on Amazon – don't forget us!!!

**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 <u>smile.amazon.com</u>, Amazon donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases to FODS - at no cost to you.

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

#### Remembrance

Douglas Sewell has informed us that through the sale of the poppies we raised £201- a massive well done and thank you to everyone!

#### Mufti day

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> we are holding a mufti day for the Hailsham food bank. Children can wear their own clothes for a donation of food which we can pass on to support the amazing work of the foodbank. They tweeted recently that they are "now supporting 55% more families this month than last month"! That is frightening. Below is a list of food they are desperate for – please try to donate something from the list! I promise it will make a difference.

#### MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS 15/11/22

- LONGLIFE APPLE OR ORANGE JUICE
- LONGLIFE DAIRY MILK
- SMALL JARS COFFEE/SMALL PACKS TEA

- TINNED VEGETABLES -SWEETCORN, CARROTS, PEAS
- SWEET TREATS -CHOCOLATE/CEREAL BARS
- SAVOURY TREATS CRISPS ETC.
- DESSERTS JELLY, INSTANT WHIP, LONGLIFE CAKES, MINI CHOCOLATE ROLLS ETC.
- TINNED FRUIT
- SIZE 3, 4, 5 AND 6 NAPPIES AND SIZE 5 AND 6 PULL UPS AND BABY WIPES
- TOILETRIES -SHAMPOO/DEODORANT (MEN AND WOMENS)
- TOMATO KETCHUP/BROWN SAUCE

# **Upcoming dates**

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

#### December

1 <sup>st</sup>	Choir singing at Glynbourne
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2<sup>nd</sup> Christmas carols – Bodle Street – Kings

Church

5<sup>th</sup> Mufti day – food donation- Hailsham

#### foodbank

9<sup>th</sup> Mufti day for Santa's workshop –

Donations of chocolates for FODs

9<sup>th</sup> Santa's workshop

12<sup>th</sup> Class Christmas parties

12<sup>th</sup> Christmas jumper day - mufti (no

donations required)

13<sup>th</sup> Nativity 2pm St.Giles

14<sup>th</sup> Christmas lunch

14<sup>th</sup> Nativity 6pm St.Giles

15<sup>th</sup> Carol service at St Giles 9:30am

15<sup>th</sup> Whole school pantomime pm (at school)

16<sup>th</sup> Inset Day

#### <u>January</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> term 3 starts

#### Term dates 2022/2023

Term	Start date	End date
Term 2	Monday 31	Friday 16
	October	December
Christmas	Monday 19	Monday 2
school	December	January
holiday		
Term 3	Tuesday 3	Friday 10
	January	February
February	Monday 13	Friday 17
school	February	February
holiday		
Term 4	Tuesday 21	Friday 31
	February	March
Spring	Monday 3	Friday 14
school	April	April
holiday		
Term 5	Monday 17	Friday 26
	April	May
May school	Monday 29	Friday 2 June
holiday	May	
Term 6	Monday 5	Friday 21
	June	July