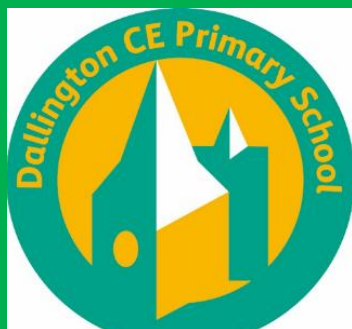




Dallington CE Primary School

...be an example to the believers with your words, your actions, your love, your faith and our pure life. (1 Timothy 4:12)

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Church Inspection

I wrote to you recently to share the lovely report we received following our SIAMS inspection. If you have not had a chance to read it the report is now on the website.

Opera

On Thursday 6th we had a group of parents and children travel to the magical Glyndebourne for a special showing of the Railway children. It was a lovely day with both the adults and children enjoying not only the show but the surroundings.



Upcoming events

November

w/b 17th Anti Bullying week

24th Year 5/6 at Dudwell

29th Christmas Fair

December

1st Decoration making morning

5th Mufti – Hailsham foodbank

5th Dallington Museum open 2:30pm

8th Year 3/4 carol concert-State Hall

10th Nativity 2pm

11th Nativity 6pm

12th Dudwell – Brightling class – carols

15th Christmas parties

16th Brightling class at De LA Warr

17th Christmas lunch

18th Pantomime

19th Last day of term 2

Carol service 2pm

January

5th Inset day

6th first day of term 3

Radio

On Monday 10th I was lucky enough to be invited to Ashdown Radio. I went along with Rachel, the leader of Young at Heart, to discuss the wonderful work they do, the importance of the visits to us as a school and the money we, alongside 9 other schools, raised to support their work. It was a great experience and I got to plug the Christmas fair and the ice skating! Thank you to Peter and the Ashdown Radio crew.



Mural

Our Mural is nearly finished. The weather is throwing one or two spanners into the mix at the moment but WOW does it look fantastic. As I have said, not only is a pop of colour but it captures the values of our wonderful little school. Lisa does this for a living, she commented :

"When I took on the project at Dallington I discussed and looked at various design options with the headteacher, Mr Cox and we decided that this design perfectly reflected the big hearted ethos of Dallington CofE Primary School.

We also thought it would be nice to involve the students in the design somehow - so Mr Cox tasked the students with coming up with ideas for the little circular inserts that were to be dotted around the image.

In the end it worked nicely and it's great that the students can see their ideas reflected in the finished mural, as well as literally seeing themselves as shadowy figures in the foreground working on the mural themselves.'

'Lisa Hurley Design' is a textile and mural studio based in rural East Sussex, where she designs eclectic, modern textiles and creates vibrant hand-painted murals — from bold large-scale statements to playful home pieces that bring colour and creativity to every space.

"I began coming up with design ideas in the 2020 lockdown, and have grown the company from there to the present day.

My inspirations are many and varied, drawing on ancient and historical pottery, art and textiles as well as more modern themes such as expressionist art, arts and crafts, fabulously kitsch pop culture, and the simple beauty of nature.

My design ethos is very much in line with that of the famous British artist, designer and poet William Morris who said 'Have nothing in your houses that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful.'" Make sure you have a look at her website www.LisaHurleyDesign.com

Sports

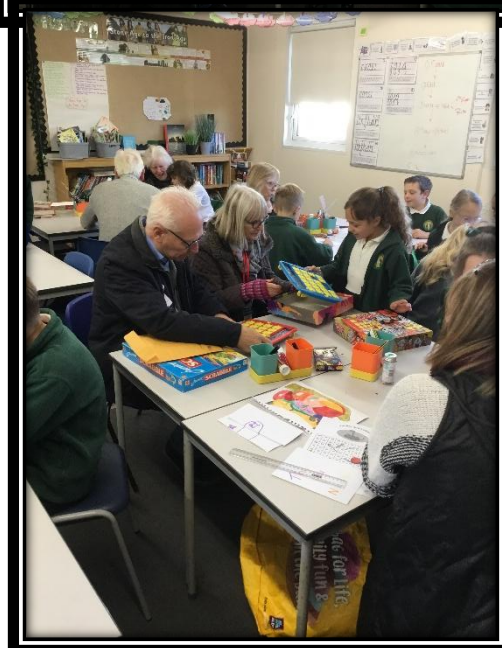
As always, it has been a busy time on the sporting front. We entered two teams, a girls and a boys' team, into the Heathfield annual football tournament. It was a brilliant afternoon with 10 boys' teams and 7 girls teams all competing and enjoying the opportunity to play competitive sport. Our boys came 4th and our girls 3rd- a massive well done to everyone who took part and to Mrs Donnebaer for expert coaching of the girls' team



And finally, this week we had 10 children represent us in the district finals of the Cross Country. They raced against runners from Uckfield, Crowborough and Beacon. I am really pleased to say that not only did Sunny win the year 6 boys race but we also had Dacre and Emily qualify for the county finals. Well done to all of the runners, I hear it was difficult, muddy course!

Grandparents' morning

This seems like a very long time ago but on Friday 24th October we held a Grandparents' morning. I thought we were prepared, I thought we had everything in place ... However, what I didn't expect was 42 grandparents joining us for the morning! It was such a lovely morning, we still have children talking about it now! A massive thank you to all of the grandparents who were able to come in and spend the morning with us – I hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did.



INSET

On the bar at the top, we have had to change a few dates due to clashes etc. All of the dates for December are on there – they are also on the school website. We have added an Inset day- this will be January 5th - children will return on Tuesday 6th.

Ice rink

This amazing event is coming round really quickly – don't forget to book your tickets! It is a really exciting addition to an already wonderful event. Due to the nature of the event, tickets are on sale through Eventbrite- they are **NOT SOLD THROUGH SCHOOL!** Please click on the link below to book tickets for you, your family, your friends, your neighbours and anyone else you can think of!

[Dallington Winter Wonderland - Ice Rink Tickets, Sat 29 Nov 2025 at 10:30 | Eventbrite](#)

To add to the magic and Christmassy feel, there will be stalls and activities if anyone would like a stall or would kindly be able to sponsor the event, please reach out to any members of FODS.

