



NEWSLETTER

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Friday 10th June 2022
Summer 2, week 1

A message from Mrs Hoare...

I hope all of our pupils and families enjoyed the half term break; we are well-rested and ready to start the final term of the year with a bang!

This week we had an official opening of our new playground where we welcomed Julie Elliot, MP, as well as our Executive Headteacher and Deputy CEO of NELT Dr Gorchach and our Chair of Governors Diane Buckle to the ceremony. Our school choir opened the ceremony with a beautiful rendition of 'Do-Re-Mi' sung a cappella before a few words from Dr Gorchach and Ms Buckle. To finish, Julie spoke to the children and cut the ribbon to officially announce the playground as 'open'. Head Boy and Head Girl presented Julie with a bunch of flowers to say 'thank you'.



Pupils were a credit to Diamond Hall Junior Academy.

Important Messages:

Uniform: Our new Diamond Hall school uniform for September 2022 is available to be purchased now! We have a pop-up shop coming to school on Wednesday 15th June 2:30pm-4pm. This is an opportunity for pupils to try on the uniform and it to be purchased. Please come to the main office to access.

The current red school uniform is no longer available to purchase. Pupils are able to wear the red uniform next year however new items can not be purchased. If you would like to donate old uniform to the school, please send it into the office.

School lunches: We are currently revising our school menu! A new menu for school lunches 2022 will be released shortly. There will continue to be variety of tasty dishes, including a vegetarian and Halal option. Your child may also be eligible for free school meals, funded by the government.

For more information, please speak to the school office.

2022-2023 Academic Year: Information regarding the upcoming academic year will be shared shortly, this includes class teachers and information regarding clubs.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 13th June 2022	Week 2—Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
Friday 24th June 2022	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check ends
Monday 27th June 2022	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check results are available
Thursday 24th June 2022	End of term
Friday 24th June 2022	School closed (Queen's Jubilee Bank Holiday).





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SEE WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

THIS WEEK...

It's all about
Year 3!

On Tuesday, Year 3 had a special visitor: Pauline from Infinite Arts came to work with the pupils on the 200 wishes project. Year 3 designed flags which sent wishes for the world in relation to the spectacular inventions of 200 years ago.

Pupils thought about what has made the world change and what would make the world a better place.



Some pupils based their design on the theme of railways and the invention of the steam engine, while others made a wish to make the world a better place.

The flags will be displayed in various events across the North East, as part of the series of activities for the 200 year celebrations.





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School Attendance

It is imperative that pupils attend school regularly and that they are on time. We aim for **97% attendance and no late sessions**. The class with the highest attendance is awarded 10 minutes extra playtime! Here's how attendance looks across school this week – keep an eye out for our attendance winners in yellow!

Lower Key Stage 2

Class:	3AH	3AC	3HL	4CE	4SI	4KW
Attendance:	91.6%	94.2%	93.5%	93.5%	98%	92.9%
Lates:	0	0	0	0	1	1

Upper Key Stage 2

Class:	5AR	5BH	5KM	6NKAH	6CC	6DG
Attendance:	90.5%	95.5%	93.4%	89.6%	89.6%	95%
Lates:	0	0	3	0	0	1

Attendance Reminders:

Parents/Carers must contact the school office if a pupil is going to be absent from school. This should be done before 8:30am. Office staff will contact you if your child is absent and no message has been left.

If attendance becomes a concern, medical evidence will be requested to support absences.

Start and finish times:

Year 3 and Year 6 start at 8:40am and finish at 3:05pm

Year 4 and Year 5 will start at 8:45am and finish at 3:10pm

The school gate will be locked at 8:50am daily. After this time, pupils must go to the school office to be signed in.

100% ATTENDANCE

This week, 168 pupils achieved 100% attendance.





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Celebrations!

Each Friday, we recognise and celebrate pupils' achievements in our Celebration Assembly.

Reader of the Week: this award recognises pupils for their home reading. Pupils who have taken part in *Everybody, Every Night*, reading five times per week at home with an adult and having their reading diary signed get to read in their year group reading area with a friend for their choice for the following week!

Star Reader: this award recognises pupil's achievements on *Accelerated Reader*, our online reading platform.

Mathematician of the Week: this award recognises pupils' *mathematical reasoning* in lessons. Staff identify a member of their maths group who have shown excellent mathematical reasoning. Pupils are awarded with a 'Mathematics Award' sticker.

Diamond Squad: this award is highly desired by pupils and comes with some fantastic privileges around school such as lunch at the magnificent 'Diamond Squad' table with a chosen friend for the week and extra playtime! It is awarded to pupils who have showcased our school values this week.

See below the awards given in this week's Celebration Assembly:

Teacher	Reader of the Week	Star Reader	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week	Diamond Squad
Mrs Laydon	Shay	Sharon	Dexter	Leon	Annie
Mrs Hubery	David	Joshua	Alexander	Skie-Louise	Joshua
Mrs Crawford	Azeem	Florence	Erastus	Mikel	Mahima
Mr Woods	Phoebe	Sean	Izzy	Gozirim	Sean
Mrs Edwards	Aryan	Kadie	Oscar	Charlie	Kian
Miss Inkster	Tilly	Sekemi	Alexis	Chizim	Subomi
Miss MacDonald	Jamie	Victoria	Isaac	Kisha	Diyannah
Mrs Haydon	Lilly	Prince	Lilly		Ismaael
Miss Robinson	Jack	Theodora	Jane	Paige	Tilly
Miss Tallintire	Erika	David		Kendra (Y5) Kibria (Y3)	
Mr Guthrie	Bobby	Theodora	Leighton	Leon	Bobby
Mrs Kendrick/Herron	Zara	Zara	Bobby	David	Logan
Mr Crowther			Samirah	Leiw	Grant
Mrs Wilson			Leiw		
Mr Calvert				Joshua	

