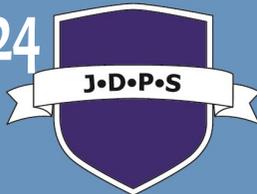


23rd February 2024



# John Donne Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the start of a brand new half term. The first week back is always really exciting as children begin to explore their new topics with fantastic immersive activities planned and prepared by their wonderful teachers and support staff. We hope you and your families had a lovely break and we have been very excited to welcome all the children back this week.

Despite us only being back in school for 5 days (and a particularly wet and windy start to the week!) the children have wasted no time in exploring their new topics and have achieved some excellent learning in a short space of time. This week, the children in Red 6 visited Dulwich Picture Gallery to take part in a well-being workshop. Samuel in Red 6 told me, 'my favourite part about the trip was being able to express ourselves through art – we used watercolours and oil pastels to create some expressive art pieces'. Green 3 also travelled into the City of London to visit the Bloomsburg Space as part of their learning about the Romans. Our Year 5 classes are learning about Ancient Benin and to support their Historical enquiry visited the Horniman Museum in Forest Hill. Nathan in Red 5 commented that, 'the most interesting part about our trip was learning about the Benin bronzes and what happened to them'.

As we start a new half term, just a few helpful reminders about school:

The school day starts at **08:45** and gates open from 08:40. Please ensure your child is in school by 08:45 so that they do not miss out on any learning time.

Lost Property – Please check that any items of clothes or belongings such as water bottles are clearly labelled so that they can make their way back to your child, should they be misplaced.

Please avoid parking cars on the double yellow lines and zig zags outside the school gates during drop off and pick up – this is to make sure everybody is safe during these busy times.

I am really pleased to see the improvement in punctuality across the school this week, well done! I can't wait to hear about which classes receive the purple rosette from Betty the Bee in next weeks' celebration assembly.

Have a wonderful weekend and see you all on Monday.

Mr James

## This week's class attendance winner is:



**RED 6**  
98.4%

### Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is **97%**

Our overall attendance this week is **95.2%**

**Well done to Red 6 achieving 98.4% attendance this week!**

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	96%	0
Reception Red	91.8%	0
Reception Green	92.5%	0
Red 1	97.5%	0
Green 1	92.5%	0
Red 2	94.9%	0
Green 2	97%	0
Red 3	96.2%	0
Green 3	91.5%	0
Red 4	97.5%	0
Green 4	92.6%	1
Red 5	97.2%	2
Green 5	94.9%	0
Red 6	98.4%	0
Green 6	97.8%	3

### Punctuality

This week punctuality has been **AMAZING!** Thank you to everyone, who is making the effort to ensure their children are in school on time. The more time a pupil is in school the more likely they are to improve their opportunity to fulfil their full potential.

**Years 1,2**

**Great Green 1**

**Kevin Red 2**

**Years 3,4,5,6**

**Akilah Red 4**

**Iqra Green 3**

### Golden Tickets This Week:

Melody G1, Elaine R1, Shiloh R1, Raheem R1, Ezra R2, Annabelle R2, Victoria G2, Osinachi G2, Teegan R3, Caylen R3, Makai G3, Zackariah G3, Ishmael G3, Eleanor R4, Bradley G4, Kaleb G4, Sahr G5, Nathaniel G5, Hani G6, Aliyah R6, Romaiissa G6, Dara G6,

### Diamond Tickets This Week:

Fiifi R1, Grace R1, Amiyah R1, Elisha R1, Karol G1, Eliza G1, Zion G2, Siri G2, Joell R2, Ade R3, Maison R3, Saidat G3, Bella G4, Iyla G4, Aliyah R4, Muizza R4, Omotoyosi G5, Aurora G6, Bangalie R6, Ruby R6, Grace G6

# P A R E N T S I N F O R M A T I O N B O A R D

<b>Trips</b> Wednesday 6th Mar Y4-Thames walk Y6- Maritime Museum	<b>World Book Day</b> Friday 8th March Celebration	<b>Trips</b> Tuesday 12th Mar Red 3- Pizza Express	<b>Performance</b> Friday 15th Mar Year 5- STAC Performance
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**Congratulations to RED 4**  
 for being the top doodling  
 class in the past week.  
 Keep doodling  
 everyone.

[Homepage Link](#)

## Term Dates 2023-24

Term	Start	End
Spring 1	Thursday 4th January 2024	Friday 9th February 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	<u>Monday 12th</u> <u>February 2024</u>	<u>Friday 16th</u> <u>February 2024</u>
Spring 2	Monday 19th February 2024	Thursday 28th March 2024 @ 2pm
<u>Easter</u>	<u>Friday 29th</u> <u>March 2024</u>	<u>Friday 12th</u> <u>April 2024</u>
Summer 1	Monday 15th April 2024	Friday 24th May 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	<u>Monday 27th</u> <u>May 2024</u>	<u>Friday 31st</u> <u>May 2024</u>
Summer 2	Monday 3rd June 2024	Friday 19th July 2024 @ 2pm

**Transition Open Evening**  
 Thursday 7th March 5 – 7 pm

Art work by Alishba Year 7

**HANDS-ON SCIENCE AND ARTS ACTIVITIES**

# STEAM 2024

Register at [bit.ly/HAB\\_STEAM\\_2024](https://bit.ly/HAB_STEAM_2024)

Harris Academy Bermondsey | BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK 2024 | Harris Federation

## JDPS Food Festival

Wednesday 20th March 2024  
 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Scan the QR code and sign up to come and learn to make these as a family!

- Noodle Salad
- Jam Jar Salad
- Burritos
- Root Vegetable Roast
- Stuffed Peppers
- Summer Rolls
- Rainbow Wraps, Crudités and Vegetable Dips

## Autism Support Team - Information for families

[Click here for more information](#)

COFFEE MORNING

NEWSLETTER

To contact the AST with any enquiries, please send an email to [AutismSupportTeam@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:AutismSupportTeam@southwark.gov.uk)

**Skips Safety Net** Keeping children safe online

### A Parent's Guide to Fake News

IT'S ON THE INTERNET SO IT MUST BE TRUE!

Don't believe everything you see online!  
 Young people can very easily be dragged into things without parental guidance and support.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.  
 Skips Educational Email: [info@skipsed.com](mailto:info@skipsed.com) Tel: +44 121 227 1941

Developed in partnership with:

**Skips** [www.skipsafety.net](http://www.skipsafety.net)

Bank Holidays- Monday 6th May 2024

**School Menu**  
 Week 2  
 26th Feb 2024

**INSTAGRAM/ TWITTER**

Please make sure you follow us on Instagram and Twitter, @JDPSoffice. We will be posting live updates and pictures to show what is going on within your child's school day.

## Year 6

Red 6 took part in a mark making workshop at Dulwich Picture Gallery. They studied two different paintings and talked about what they liked and did not like and how the pictures made them feel.

They then took inspiration from this picture to create their own art using view finders, oil pastels, graphite and watercolours. They reflected on how doing the art made them feel.



## Year 5 Trip

'Year 5 had the chance to attend a workshop all about Ancient Benin at the Horniman Museum. We got to see the bronzes before they are returned to their rightful owners!'



# LEARNING AT JOHN DONNE...



## Year 3 Trip

Green 3 experienced Roman ruins at Bloomsburg Space.

