

Dallington School Newsletter

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Opening Evening

Next Thursday 12th March
6.30 - 8.30pm
Come and get a drink from Abi & Maria-Luisa's bar in the basement then wander the school enjoying the children's work. Interested friends are welcome!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 12th March - Open Evening 6.30-8.30pm
- ◆ 13th March - Red Nose Day
- ◆ 26th March - Board of Governors Meeting
- ◆ May - Friends of Dallington Social Night and Auction of Promises at The C & H
- ◆ 25th June - Board of Governors Meeting
- ◆ 11th July - Summer Fete
- ◆ 22nd October - Board of Governors Meeting

The Mogg Blog

Congratulations to the ex-Dallington dad whose film was awarded eight Oscars. Had my fifth treatment on Tuesday...bring on the sixth and final session! I am looking forward to wandering around the School on Open Evening, but no kissing if you have a cold! Special thanks to Atlanta Thomas for her wonderful letter and photographs, to Lily Pollard who keeps sending cards, drawings, stickers and chocolates, in padded and severely sellotaped envelopes and to Debbie Anness who has offered to sort out my garden!

Middle School News

Chris is delighted to announce that we have been given Wilton's Music Hall on July 9th, for Middle School's performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'.

They have also very generously offered to help us with our lighting design!

Wilton's is a beautiful theatre and we are sure you will agree that this is a stunning opportunity for the children in Middle School; a truly magnificent gift from Wilton's to the children. Thank you!

Since we have been given the WHOLE of Wilton's for the day, including the bar areas, Chris plans to organise a small party for all the children involved after the show. More details to follow but why not mark 9th July in your diary as a whole family outing.

WOW (Walk once a week)

77 walkers received badges for February. Congratulations!

Our record is 86 walkers. Shall we see if we can get 90 children walking in March?

Board of Governors

We are delighted to announce that Debbie Anness (mother of Holly, Year 4) was unanimously co-opted to the Board for one year.

Also, a warm welcome to our two new Staff Governors.

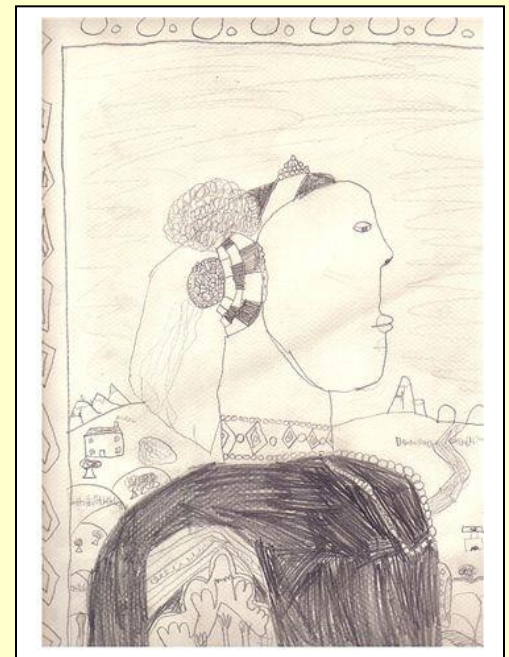
Claudia Balara (Teacher of Year 1) and Kate Forrest (Teacher of Year 2) will be on the Board for the forthcoming year.

If you would like to contact the Governors directly, you may email them at:

governors@dallingtonschool.co.uk

Picture of the Week

Portrait of Battista Sforza by Harriette O'Kane - Year 3





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Mogg's Facebook

Why not find
Mogg Dallington Hercules
on Facebook and write on her wall!

Don't forget

DVD copies of 'Help! Teach is Coming to Stay' are held in Middle School on a loan basis. Just ask Julius if you want to borrow a copy.

Our 30th Birthday tea towels and eco-friendly shoppers make ideal prezzies, available from the office.

Memory Lane

Abi is still collecting memories of Dallington from ex-pupils, to celebrate 30 years of the School.

If you are in touch with any ex-Dallington pupils, please encourage them to email Abi with their Memory Lane contributions. Thank you!

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MOGG'S GROUP

On Tuesday 10th March, Jane Monahan who is the Schools' and Families' Education Officer from the Sir John Soane's Museum will be coming into school to run an outreach Light, Shadows and Reflections workshop with Years 5/6 where they will discover the Soane family in Georgian London through shadow play, followed by a discovery box session with games and puzzles using the principles of Light and Shadows. This will be prior to Mogg's Group actually visiting the museum on the following Wednesday 18th March for the afternoon where they will put theories into practice as they explore how Soane used light, shadows and reflections to create curious, entertaining and dramatic effects in his Museum.

Transition News Year 1

We have finished our Fairy Tale topic and have made a lovely book of our own Fairy Tales for everyone in the class and Lower and Upper Nursery came up to listen to our stories. Our new topic is very exciting: We are learning all about dinosaurs. For a start, we have collected all the questions we have about dinosaurs, brought back lots of books from the library and designed the cover of our "Dinosaur Project Book".

Upper Nursery News

Upper Nursery had a wonderful Shrove Tuesday. The whole day was devoted to pancakes! In the morning the children weighed, measured, stirred and mixed, eggs, flour and milk, to make a pancake batter. After swimming the fun continued. The children got to toss their pancakes and then sat and ate them with a squeeze of lemon and a sprinkle of sugar!! Yummy!

Ex-pupil News

The wonderful memories of Dallington keep pouring in! Charlotte Gill who is currently a 2nd year psychology student at the University of Leeds sent her memories today and she sends her love to all who know her!

Words of the Week

Inspired by the snowfall, Jackie's group has written snowy mystery stories.

This is an extract from a story by Adam Grant.

Jake was lying in his bed, half asleep. It was 12:30am and he was staring up at his blank white ceiling, wishing the ground outside was the same colour. He wished the wet green grass was covered in a white snowy cloak.

The next morning he basically tore his curtains down with excitement. He didn't care if they broke or not because they were covered in little pink flowers. He was forced to have the flowery things by his parents at John Lewis that Saturday. God, what a terrible weekend that was! Anyway the weather forecast said on the BBC news that in Leeds there would be 5 inch deep snow that Sunday morning. As Jake swiped open his curtains, exploding with excitementTHE WEATHER HAD LET HIM DOWN AGAIN!

Jake sobbed all the way down to the kitchen, assuming his family would be having breakfast but they weren't. He ran to Mum and Dad's room. They were gone so he ran into Lily's room but she had gone too! He ran outside but to his surprise it was a blank white landscape. He ran back inside, his heart pounding so heavily that it felt like it was going to jump out of his chest. He was about to faint when he looked out the window and saw it wasn't snowing but when he went back outside it was snowing.

Exhibitions

Vaughan Grylls exhibition

(Chair of the Board of Governors)
Mother continues at Sadler's Wells until April 2009.

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