



## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you to all who came and were able to share our new Darlinghurst uniform and logo yesterday. I don't believe I have ever seen so many families attending an event. I would also like to thank the Darlinghurst children who helped out with the launch. Together they demonstrated our school value of confidence whilst proudly wearing our new uniform.

Echoing my words from yesterday, I feel immensely privileged to be on this journey with you all as we sail forward in our Darlinghurst Direction towards Excellence and look forward to further opportunities to work in partnership with you. Together we will continue to enjoy sharing and celebrating the rising talents of our children, their learning and achievements.

This week's news and views is the first of our weekly updates on what has happened across the school and within some of our classes.

Mrs Nicholls

### Upcoming Events

**19.06.17** – Dental Survey Reception and Year 1

**21.06.17** – KS2 Borough Sports (Garon Park)

**26.06.17** – Bring a loved one to school  
2:30pm – 3:30pm

**27.06.17** – Year 5 Enrichment Day (Chase High)

**28.06.17** – Year 6 Enterprise Day

**30.06.17** – Teacher Training Day – School Closed

**Additional Dates to view the uniform will be advised shortly**

### Achievements

Jenson S, Hummingbird Class – Achieved his Blue belt in British Military Arts

Reece N, Hummingbird Class – Achieved his Red belt in Karate

Scarlet C, Giraffe Class – Received her Blue Peter Silver badge in addition to her original badge

### Bring a loved one to school

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June you are invited to join your child/children in class from 2:30pm – 3:30pm. Our children are always keen to share their work and ideas, participating successfully in their learning. We would like to extend a warm welcome and invite you to join the children in a shared learning experience during 'bring a loved one to school'. Due to limited space we can only accommodate one adult per child.



## News

It has been a very busy week in **Nursery**, the children have been digging up dinosaur bones, making cave pictures with charcoal and berries, and making amazing Father's Day presents. In addition they welcomed 5 new visitors to **Nursery**, the caterpillars, who have quadrupled in size in 4 days!

**Reception** have continued their learning about journeys this week by reading the story 'We're Going On A Bear Hunt'. There have been sightings of claw marks in the Reception playground on the bark of a tree and they are wondering if the Bear is nearby! They shall have to investigate further and maybe create 'Wanted' posters to keep an eye out!

All of **EYFS** have enjoyed the glorious sunshine and are ensuring they keep themselves healthy by drinking lots of water. They have also discussed how important it is to apply sun cream and wear a sunhat as the sun is so hot.

This week, the **Year 3** classes visited their local area with a trip to the Leigh Heritage Centre and St. Clements Church as part of their topic "How can we make living here better for everyone?" We all learnt so much about the fascinating history of Leigh-on-Sea and the life of a cockle fisherman and his family in the past. Our tour of St. Clements Church was informative and peaceful and all the children were really respectful and well behaved. The day was topped off with some seafood tasting before the long, hot walk back to school. We are looking forward to doing further research over the next few weeks.

This week, some of the children in **Year 4** went to the Science Museum in London. They learnt about the digestive system and how the food they eat is broken down in their bodies. The workshops were really interesting, although they were a little bit disgusting! Mrs Stevens also became the parma ham in a sandwich, which was funny! The children had the chance to explore the Wonderlab gallery which had lots of interactive science things to play with like a heat sensor, friction slides, a magnetic sculpture and pulley seats which the children used to race their friends. It was a really interesting day and everyone enjoyed themselves.

"I thought the school trip was fun. Fun because I learnt new things about organs and the body. My favourite part was seeing inside someone's throat!" Izzy, Leopard Class.

**Reminder**, your child may be eligible for free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

Income Support - Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance - Support from NASS under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 - The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit - Child Tax Credit (as long as you are **not** also entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190) - Working Tax Credit run-on - Universal Credit

You will find more information about how we use our pupil premium funding on our website [www.darlinghurst.uk](http://www.darlinghurst.uk)

**Reminder**, please ensure your behaviour and language in and around the school site is suitable for an educational environment.

**Reminder**, Joseph cast should bring their costumes in a carrier bag with their name on it to the Music Room by Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at the latest.

## Attendance

Group	% Attend
LADYBIRD	94.2
BUTTERFLY	85.9
<b>RABBIT</b>	<b>99.1</b>
OWL	94.4
HEDGEHOG	91.7
WOLF	97.4
PENGUIN	98.0
<b>ORCA</b>	<b>100.0</b>
ALBATROSS	95.0
<b>SQUID</b>	<b>100.0</b>
GIRAFFE	97.9
LION	96.0
ELEPHANT	98.7
CHIMPANZEE	93.0
MANATEE	97.5
JAGUAR	97.2
HUMMINGBIRD	99.3
<b>ALPACA</b>	<b>100.00</b>
PANDA	97.9
KOMODO DRAGON	98.6
LEOPARD	96.0
ORANGUTAN	94.5
MOOSE	98.6
COYOTE	98.5
FLAMINGO	97.2
KANGAROO	95.2
<b>PUFFER FISH</b>	<b>100.0</b>

How fabulous to see 4 classes with **100% attendance** for the week.  
Can we double this next week?



## Dates for your diaries

Bring a loved one to school

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2:30pm

Transition Day

*Meet your child's new teacher*

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 3:30pm

EYFS Sports Day

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

9:30am – 11:00am *Ladybird – Rabbit – Hedgehog*

1:45pm – 3:15pm *Butterfly – Owl – Wolf*

KS1 Sports Day

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 9:30am – 11:00am *Year 1 & 2*

Coffee and cake with Mrs Nicholls

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 3:30pm in the Training Room

KS2 Sports Day

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 9:30am – 11:30am *Year 3-6*

Joseph Performance

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 6:30pm

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 6:30pm

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 9:30am