

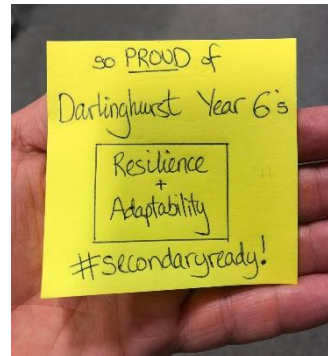


Communication is a priority for us once again this year, we will communicate to parents and carers using **School Ping**. In addition, we use **Twitter and Instagram** to share what's going on within the Academy daily. Please make sure you are following us **@Darlinghurstsch** on Twitter and **@DarlinghurstAcademy** on Instagram

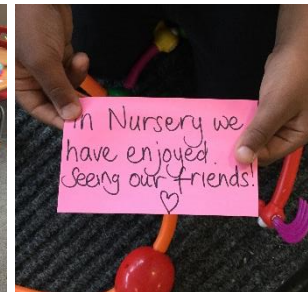
Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

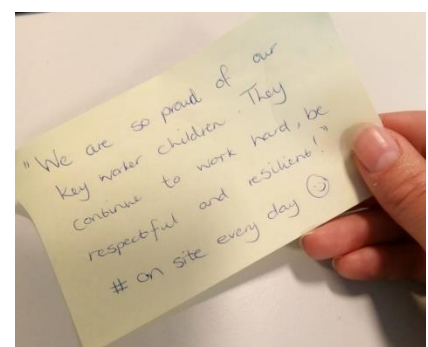
It has been a special week with staff and some children returning to school. It has been quiet here over the last months, with only a skeleton staff and key worker children in the building. Over the last week there has been an increase in the sounds of chatter and laughter heard around the academy. I know that over the last few months' people have missed seeing each other and although we are still distanced and not 'together' as we would like to be, it is a positive step in the right direction. I have loved seeing the oldest and youngest return this week. On Monday I had the pleasure of welcoming year six to Belfairs Academy and have continued to hear positive praise and feedback from the teachers each day. Mrs Williams has also said that the staff and children have been amazing! Mr Turner said, "I have been so impressed by the Year 6 children who have joined us at Belfairs Academy this week. They have been arriving promptly and shown tremendous resilience and adaptability, taking the new normal in their stride despite naturally feeling a little nervous at the start. We have taken lots of time to get to know everyone in our new groups and settle into our new spaces. We have also talked a lot about the experience of lockdown and how it has made us feel and your children have shown great maturity in these conversations. The teachers and I have been so proud and we are confident they are ready for their first day at secondary school. In the meantime, we are excited to be back working with them and see what we can achieve together in the next few weeks!"



Our Nursery children, in orange zone, have also returned showing confidence and courage as they have adapted to the different approach to nursery life. Ms White has particularly enjoyed the moments at the gate as the nursery children have entered happily and equally the excitement they show when they see their parents at the end of their session.



The blue zone has continued to support those children who have been with us over the past months. This week they have adapted to new routines, knowing that other children are now with us. Their bubble teachers have been impressed with the behaviour and attitudes of their groups, including their approach to on line learning. Regardless of the changing weather patterns, the children enjoyed their activities inside and out, including some singing and dancing. Mrs Hahn said, "I am so proud of the children and teachers in blue zone for showing their positive attitude and team spirit."





Miss Lynch and the staff in green zone have been busy preparing the bubbles for the safe return of our year one children. They cannot wait to greet them with a smile on the gate. For those who are still learning at home they are looking forward to seeing the work that you are producing and send you their love.

Mrs Dutton and the reception team are also ready and waiting in the pink zone to say hello again to some of our reception children on Monday. Mrs Dutton has shared that the teachers have planned a very exciting topic and they cannot wait to reveal it to those attending and those learning at home.

I cannot wait to find out too! What can it be?

Please can I remind all parents to arrive at their gate, at the given entry time for their child's bubble. There bubble staff will be there to greet them. Can you also ensure that they bring a drink and suitable clothing for the weather as they are using inside and outside spaces.

For those children continuing to learn at home, the remote learning team have been busy preparing home learning tasks. A new overview of the week's learning will be shared, replacing some daily uploads. Online tutors will be sending an email to you via DB Primary with an attachment of the overview that shows what work will be set over the course of the week. This overview will be added to your child's year group community page each week with relevant resources added. Some online tutors have begun introducing themselves to their year groups and are excited to be on hand to support your child.

Please email your child's online tutor if you have any further questions:

Nursery – Miss Gue missgue@darlinghurst.co.uk

Reception – Miss Handley misshandley@darlinghurst.co.uk

Year 1 – Miss Sankey misssankey@darlinghurst.co.uk

Year 2 – Miss Parry missparry@darlinghurst.co.uk

Year 3 – Miss Plummer missplummer@darlinghurst.co.uk (Wednesdays and Thursdays)

Year 4 – Miss Clarke mrsclarke@darlinghurst.co.uk (Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays)

Year 5 – Mrs Bermon mrsbermon@darlinghurst.co.uk

Year 6 - Miss Rosso missrosso@darlinghurst.co.uk (Mondays and Tuesdays)

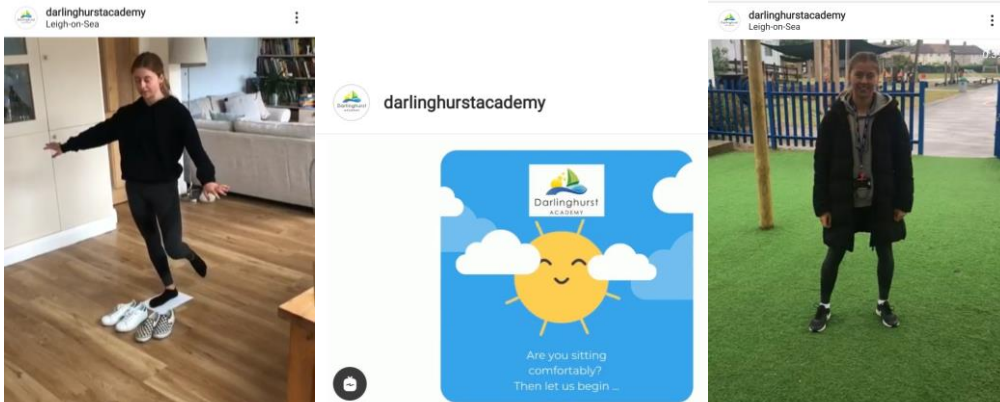
As always, stay safe and enjoy your family time this weekend.

Mrs Nicholls
Principal





What have you missed out on **Twitter and Instagram** this week?



At Darlinghurst we know that A to D leads to E and we want to celebrate excellence together. Your child's achievement could be anything from learning to bake through to playing a musical instrument or mastering skipping. You may want to celebrate their confidence or creativity, their determination towards trying something new or taking a risk. Let's give them a 'shout out!' If you would like to nominate your child for Celebrating Excellence, please send your nominations to mrsocarroll@darlinghurst.co.uk



PGL 2021

There is still time for year 5 parents to book a place for the 2021 residential, when your children will be in Year 6. We have halved the size of the deposit originally requested which is payable via your child's ParentPay.

The reception team are very happy to be welcoming some of the reception children back into the academy on Monday for learning face to face. The plans have been made, the classrooms are ready, all we want now is the children to arrive. Of course we will still be supporting the children learning at home through activities linked to the same amazing and interesting topics.

The online teachers are Miss Whitehouse and Miss Handley. Miss Handley will be setting daily talk task and phonic activities on Tapestry and DBPrimary. Miss Whitehouse will be using Tapestry to teach maths activities that are closely linked to the videos that you can watch using Maths with Parents.




In addition to this on Tapestry, Mrs Dennis will be popping up, adding some additional activities for any special days that are in June and July and I will be presenting daily reading linked with our topics so that everyone can use their phonic skills regularly.

We hope you will all continue to have fun learning in school and at home. All the Reception teachers are looking forward to seeing lots of photos of all your learning on Tapestry.

Mrs Duffon.



DB Primary Leader board 12.06.20

	Year group	Score
1st 	5	12,805
2nd 	3	10,940
3rd 	6	8,790
4th	R	3,450
5th	1	3,085
6th	2	2,350
7th	4	1,615