



Newsletter

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The Southwark Teaching School Alliance Strategic Partnership



I am delighted to announce that we have joined the Southwark Teaching School Alliance (STSA) as Strategic Partners. The aim of the STSA is to bring together schools and selected partners committed to working in collaboration to achieve an education system where children and young people are nurtured and challenged to flourish in all aspects of their life – academic, cultural, personal and social. The Alliance is committed to enabling the schools in our borough to learn from each other and to support us in extending our impact beyond our own school boundaries.

We initially engaged with the STSA when we embarked upon a year long Peer Review programme last autumn. Mrs Kyrios and I worked with a cluster of schools on the programme. Peer Review aims to support school leaders to drive their own improvement, through a continuous cycle of self-review, peer review and school-to-school support and improvement. We have been part of and led on several reviews in our cluster and have learnt a great deal along the way, whilst developing some excellent relationships.

As strategic partners, we have committed to contributing our expertise and time to the Alliance. In return we gain many opportunities to join pioneering research groups that are being created throughout the year. We also gain priority access to participate in activities that are funded through bids. An example of this is a project that we have been invited to take part in called 'Challenge the Gap'. Challenge the Gap is a whole-school improvement programme, run by Challenge Partners, that aims to break the link between poverty and poor outcomes. It is a fantastic opportunity to develop a team of experts in our school who will be responsible for rolling out a programme that they will work together to create. The Challenge the Gap team is Miss Joseph, Mr Treen and Mr Spence.

I firmly believe that this alliance is a step towards widening the opportunities that we can provide for our pupils, whilst sharing our excellent practice more widely. We are really looking forward to a successful year of building upon our relationships with other schools and creating new ones.

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as the Star of the Week in Merit Assembly:

Reception – Ollie and Uzair

Year 1 – Samuel and Maile

Year 2 – Samuel and Zyreecce

Year 3 – Robyn and Leon

Year 4 – Beth and James

Year 5 – Amirah and Isla

Year 6 – Marcie and Ollie

Individual & Sibling Photographs

Our photographer will be in school on Wed 1st & Thurs 2nd November to take individual and sibling photographs, so please could all children come to school looking smart in their school uniform with their biggest smiles at the ready! The schedule is:

- Wednesday; individual pupils (with no siblings at Heber) & pupils with siblings in the Nursery
- Thursday; pupils with siblings at Heber in Reception – Year 6.



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Get Your Story Published by Scoop Magazine

Are you aged between 8 –11? Do you love writing stories? Then this is definitely for you!

We've teamed up with Scoop Magazine to bring you what we think is our best challenge yet!

The winner will be chosen by award winning author S. F. Said (whose books include Varjak Paw, The Outlaw Varjak Paw and The Phoenix), and will have their story published in Scoop Magazine's Special March Issue – celebrating World Book Day!

We will also throw a winner's party at Rye Books, where you will get a chance to read your short story to your friends and family!

Discover Debating

Year 6 are currently part of a debating programme called Discover Debating. So far the children have had two sessions led by a man called Toks.

In session one the children played the hot air balloon game. They worked in groups and could be anyone they wanted to be but had to argue why they shouldn't be thrown off the balloon! The characters we had ranged from The Queen, to Peppa Pig! Some children were selected to share their reasons. The rest of year 6 had to listen carefully and come up with a question to challenge the speakers! We all really enjoyed this session!

In session two the children developed their skills on how to structure an argument using PEEL (a skill we also cover in English lessons). The children learnt about the terms proposition - the side that agrees with a statement or is for the statement and opposition - the side that disagrees or is against the statement. Children were asked to express their opinions on this statement. 'The X Factor is bad for the music industry.' Some good reasons and examples were offered and some children ended up changing their minds based on what was said.

We can't wait to find out what we will learn/debate this Friday!

Here's how to enter...

We want you to write a story beginning with the following words:

'Late afternoon, the storm arrived...'

So, what you are waiting for??? Get writing!!!

But be sure to read the rules and please make a note of the dates below!

Rules of the competition:

1. You must be between 8-11 years old to enter
2. All stories must start with the words:
"Late afternoon, the storm arrived."
3. Your story must be max 500 words – entries above 510 will be disqualified. Sorry!
4. All stories must be submitted in handwriting (no computer files or printed word docs please)
5. All entries must be sent or delivered to:
Rye Books, 45 Upland Road, London SE22 9EF
6. Closing date for entries is 8th December 2017

The winner will be announced on 1st March (World Book Day) and there will be a winner's party on Sat 3rd March 2018 at Rye Books



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Weekly Music Award

The following awards were announced in our weekly Merit Assembly last Friday.

KS1: Rowena in 1L. Rowena has shown great understanding of pitch and pulse, and has involved herself so well in the learning to demonstrate this and further her learning. She has shown creativity, accuracy and discipline; essential features of any star musician. She is even developing her musical ear and naming more and more instruments with each lesson. Well done Rowena.

Lower Key Stage 2: Emme and Sami in 3L. This duo worked together with perseverance and skill, making music in tandem to meet their objectives. They both showed independence and initiative to split the music between them, and to fulfil both roles expected of a duet. They achieved their goal through their partnership, and are a model to other children working in a pair.

Upper Key Stage 2: Dejanae in 5K. We all love performing what we've learned, and none more so than those in Upper Key Stage 2! This means though that some have to wait a long time to get their chance. Dejanae has really impressed us by showing such patience and responsibility in the lessons, and when she has her chance she has taken it with both hands. She performs so accurately, showing so many learned skills, and is such a fantastic audience member, singing along enthusiastically and applauding her peers. You have been a real role model, Dejanae.

Message from the Music Team

Is it Jazz? Is it baroque? Is it blues? Is it choral? Is it opera? We have focussed on identifying genres in music this week, and all year groups have assisted in this. We have listened to examples of music and identified their key features. We have used this to help identify the genre of a piece of music. Some classes have even suggested their own songs for us to identify, or even shown an active interest in a genre for us to explore and experience. A few of these examples have also been used in our singing assemblies so we can share the songs we like!

Reception – Autumn Walk

Yesterday the Reception classes went on an Autumn Walk to Dulwich Park. It was a wonderful opportunity to look at the seasonal changes. Before the children left they were asked to find out the answer to the question "Do the biggest trees have the biggest leaves?" This is what the children said about their outing:

"The biggest trees actually had the smallest leaves"-
Liam

"I liked picking up the leaves. The yellow leaf was the smallest leaf in the world and it came from the biggest tree"- Alice

"We found some acorns and it was amazing!"-
Aminah

"I loved the Autumn Walk, I liked climbing on the log with my friends."- Emily

"I found so many leaves! Yellow, brown and orange."
- Damilola

"I loved throwing the leaves up into the air."- Baxter



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October

All diary dates are available on the school website calendar.

Wednesday 18 th (3:00pm)	6D - Class Assembly
Wednesday 18 th	Year 2 – Royal Festival Hall – Bright Sparks
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th	Half Term
Tuesday 31 st	Halloween Cake Sale

November

Wednesday 1 st & Thursday 2 nd	Individual and sibling photos
Friday 3 rd	Halloween Disco
Friday 3 rd	Year 1 trip to Southbank (London Landmarks)
Thursday 9 th (9:30 – 11:00)	Open Morning – prospective parents
Wednesday 8 th (3:00pm)	5S - Class Assembly
Wednesday 8 th	Nursery – Autumn walk
Friday 10 th	Parent Conference Day – No school for children
Wednesday 15 th (3:00pm)	6F - Class Assembly
Friday 17 th	Year 3 – Natural History Museum
Tuesday 21 st	2L – Florence Nightingale Museum
Wednesday 22 nd (3:00pm)	3L - Class Assembly
Thursday 23 rd	2B – Florence Nightingale Museum
Wednesday 29 th (3:00pm)	4D - Class Assembly

Class Assemblies

Autumn	Spring	Summer
4th October – 4P	17th January – 5K	25th April – RP
11th October – 2L	24th January – 1L	2nd May – 2L
18th October – 6D	31st January – RP	9th May – 4D
8th November – 5S	7th February – 3P	16th May – 5S
15th November – 6F	28th February – RE	23rd May – 3P
22nd November – 3L	7th March – 1H	13th June – 3L
29th November – 4D	14th March – 1L	20th June – 2B
	21st March – 4P	27th June – RE
	28th March – 2B	4th July – 1H
		11th July – 5K



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