



DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 30th June 2021

It's been a really interesting and varied half term so far, including a Money Week, a Music Week and an Assessment Week and more planned! The children have produced some fantastic work and we are very proud of them! Despite Covid restrictions we are still managing to arrange some exciting curriculum activities and events for the children, albeit some have been online. "Bubble" Sports Days are also scheduled (see below) although we regret we can't have any spectators this year. Please also see below some key dates for the end of the academic year.

Key dates for your diary:

7th-16th July: Healthy Eating Week and Sports Days

W/C 12th July: Transition arrangements begin for all year groups

Sunday 18th July: Nelson Mandela Day

W/C 19th July: Reports given to parents and Year 6 events. End of year celebrations

Friday 23rd July: Last day of term

Thursday 2nd September: Children return to school for new academic year

Sports Days

As you are aware we have to do things a little differently this year. You have already been text your child's team colour. As a reminder here are our sports days .

Year 1 ~ 7th July

Year 2 ~ 14th July

Year 3 ~ 12th July

Year 4 ~ 5th July

Year 5 ~ 9th July

Year 6 ~ 16th July

Unfortunately parents are unable to join us this year.



School Dinners:

REMINDER: Calling all Year 2 Parents

As your child is coming to the end of Year 2 from September they will no longer benefit from the Universal Free School Meals, if you feel you will be entitled to **Free School Meals**

Please apply on line
www.lewisham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

If you are not eligible please note that school dinners are £11.25 per week.

Uniform

Can we please remind you of our school uniform .

Polo shirts ~ White
Trousers/ skirts ~ Navy Blue/Black
Tights and socks should be plain either Black/Navy or White

When buying uniform for September please do not buy grey trousers or skirts.

If you do need to make an order through Mapac for school jumpers please make you order by 4th August to ensure delivery in time for September.

Thank you

100%

Attendance

We will continue to monitor attendance very carefully and remind you that holidays **should not** be taken during term time.

The best attendance so far this academic year are:

1st ~ Emerald 2nd ~ Jasper 3rd ~ Garnet

Email addresses

Please keep us informed if you change your email address or mobile number, that way we can be sure that you are receiving the newsletter link by text.

We will also be sending all medical slips via email as from Monday 5th July.

Thank you



Please remember to use the class email address for any non urgent or class based matters.

copper@deptfordpark.org
gold@deptfordpark.org
rose@deptfordpark.org
green@deptfordpark.org
yellow@deptfordpark.org
purple@deptfordpark.org
diamond@deptfordpark.org
ruby@deptfordpark.org
emerald@deptfordpark.org
sapphire@deptfordpark.org
amber@deptfordpark.org
opal@deptfordpark.org
quartz@deptfordpark.org
jade@deptfordpark.org
pearl@deptfordpark.org
jasper@deptfordpark.org
garnet@deptfordpark.org

Reminder: Who to contact if you have a concern

Safeguarding Leads:

Ken Johnson and Leona Baffour

Safeguarding Team:

Anne-Marie Leighton, Rebecca Brown, Rebecca Dawkins, Amanda Pippard, Sarah Raine, Keir Stone and Mel Cohen

A copy of this newsletter can also be downloaded from the school website:
www.deptfordpark.lewisham.sch.uk

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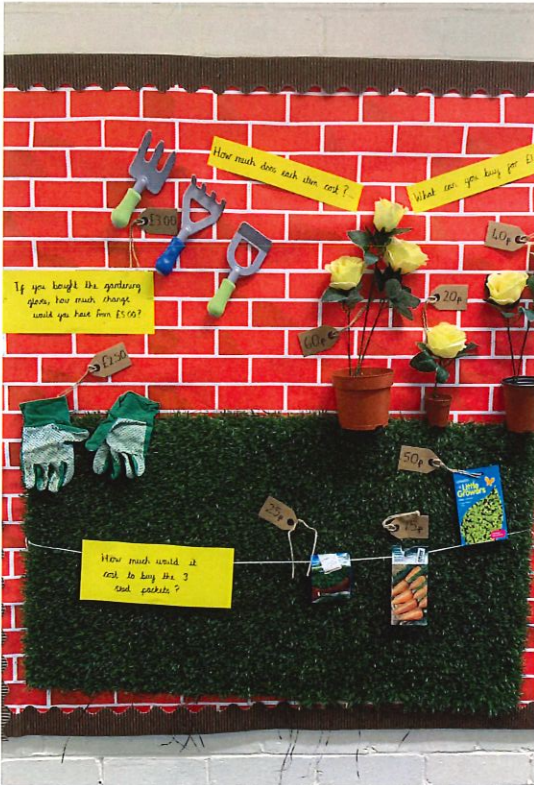
Absences and time sensitive or urgent communication should continue to be reported by contacting the office. Thank you



MONEY Week

The children really enjoyed Money week, where they were learning about various aspects of Financial Education and understanding the knowledge and developing the skills pertaining to money; all crucial to successful money management throughout life.

Here's just a glimpse about what they have been doing:



Money Week Facts By: Younes, Qayumm, Steven

- ◇ There is an ATM in Antarctica
- ◇ Only 8% of money is used in physical form.
- ◇ The TTS/Airline Companies collected £765,165,210 in loose change.
- ◇ Once Queen Elizabeth II dies' Prince Charles face will be on the money notes but the statement: "There is no enjoyment more than reading" will be kept there.
- ◇ The study of money is called numismatics
- ◇ The first paper money was made in China 1000 years ago.
- ◇ The first coins were made about 2500 years ago.
- ◇ Queen Elizabeth II appeared on more currency than any other person.
- ◇ Over half of lottery tickets are bought by 5% of people.
- ◇ The largest denomination ever printed was in Hungary in 1946, worth 100 quintillion pengoes.
- ◇ The word "salary" comes from sal, meaning "salt" in Latin. Early Romans used salt as money.
- ◇ The world's worst inflation is in Zimbabwe. There was a 6.5 sextillion percent inflation rate in 2008.
- ◇ The word "cash" originated in ancient China, where a bundle of 100 coins was called one cash.
- ◇ The word "cent" is derived from the Latin centum, meaning "hundred."
- ◇ The term "cash cow" originated from early forms of currency in the form of livestock.
- ◇ The International Space Station is the most expensive object ever built at \$150 billion U.S.
- ◇ Sea shells were once commonly used as money in many parts of the world.
- ◇ Even spending \$1 million a day, it would take Bill Gates 218 years to spend all his money.
- ◇ Credit cards originated in the U.S. during the 1920s and could be used at individual companies.
- ◇ The first credit card that could be used at a variety of companies was introduced by the Diner's Club in 1950.





Music Week

Last week was Music Week! There were a range of activities planned for the children throughout the week, and a lot of fun was had by all! The children enjoyed an hour of music teaching throughout the week, which included inspirational sessions from the BBC Ten Pieces Project, performances and workshops from professional musicians, and instrumental lessons. Here are some highlights!



Ken, his friend from school, Colin, Tim and Erin performed as part of a band, talking the KS2 children through their instruments and how they work, as well as playing several songs to them. All outside and safely distanced, the children really enjoyed the performances!

Children in Year 2 learned how to play the ocarina, Year 3 learned how to play the violin, Year 4 learned how to play the ukulele, and Year 5 learned how to play the recorder. They had a great time! Keep your eyes out for our music week video, containing all of their performances, coming to our website very soon!

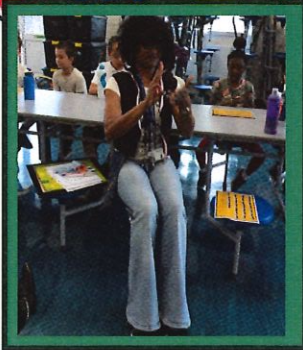
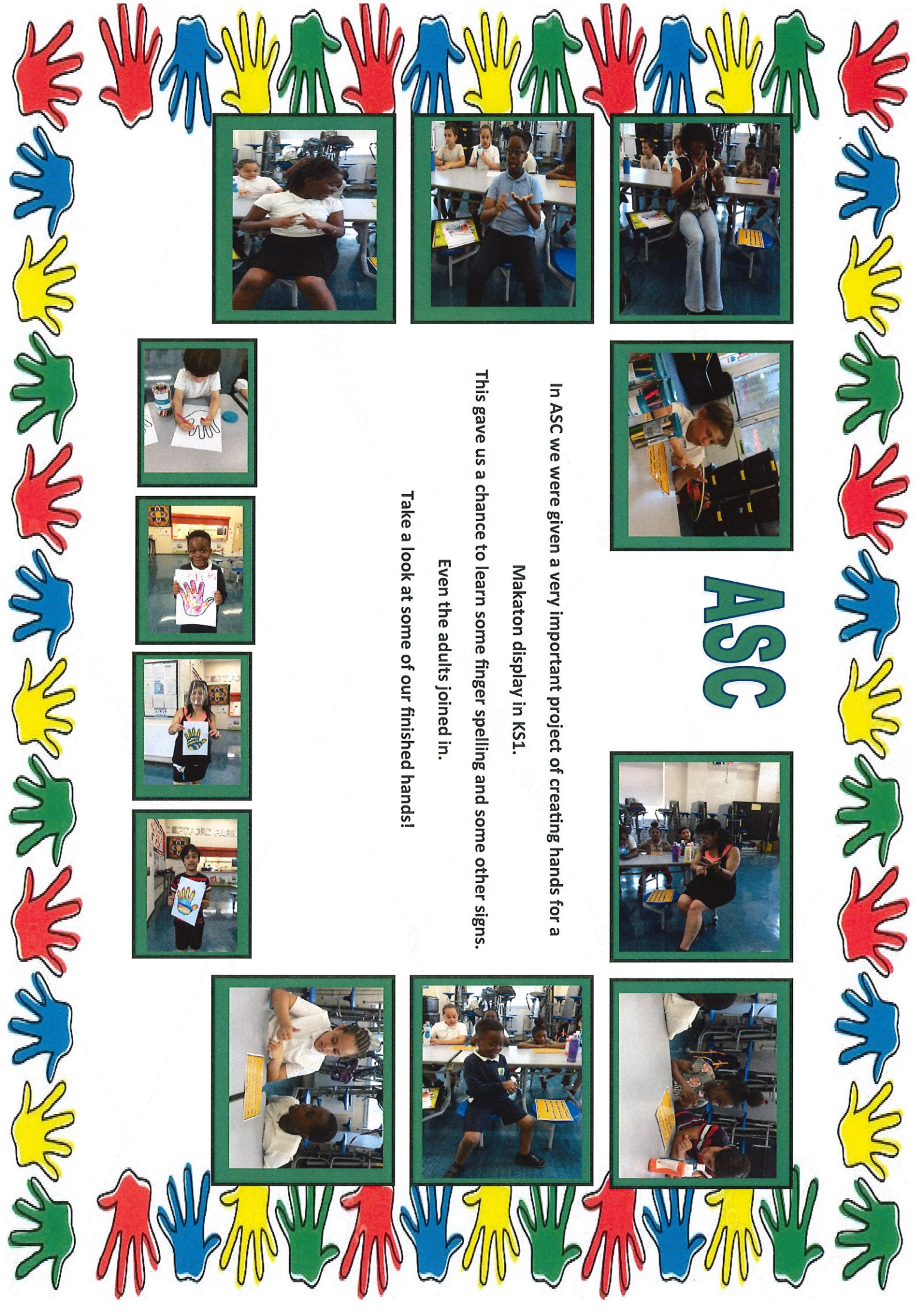


Ben Tarlton and Alicia Berendse from the Musician's Company have been working with the children in Year 3, via zoom sessions, over the past academic year. The children have really enjoyed learning about the string family, and listening to these professional musicians play. After their violin lessons during music week, nearly all of the children want to play the violin! You can check out Ben and Alicia on their websites:

www.bentarltoncello.com/

www.aliciaberendse.com/





ASC

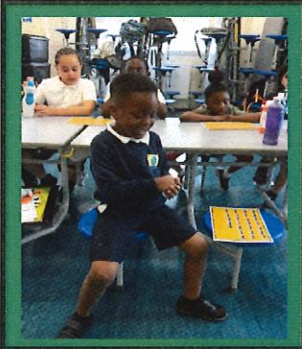
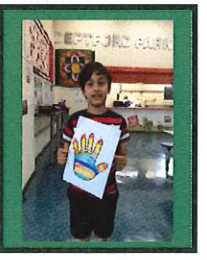
In ASC we were given a very important project of creating hands for a

Makaton display in KS1.

This gave us a chance to learn some finger spelling and some other signs.

Even the adults joined in.

Take a look at some of our finished hands!





Dear parents,

With the summer holidays fast approaching, we know children and young people may spend more time online.

Lewisham Council has commissioned the Athena Refuge to deliver 4 x free workshops to empower parents to support their children to access technology safely and positively and what to do if you have any concerns.

We know removing technology from our children can seem like a logical solution but sometimes this can in fact increase risks of unsupervised use.

The purpose of this workshop is to increase awareness and provide some useful skills to support parents, by the end of this workshop you should be able to:

- Recognise how modern technology can be used to jeopardise young people's safety
- Distinguish between different types of technological abuse that could affect children and young people
- Assess the risk factors involved in cases where technology is being used to abuse children and young people
- List different ways in which you can empower your children to use technology safely and positively

There are 4 workshops available via Zoom in July:

Workshop 1 – Tuesday 13th July 2021 4pm to 6.30pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckf-mhqD8rEtXylHSBIRclJy98Whb_UmM2

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Workshop 2 – Tuesday 13th July 2021 7pm to 9.30pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZckdeytrD8qEtc81M-aM-wQb7ILITj1oCnI>

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FREE!

CHESSFEST

Sunday 18th July - 11am to 6pm - Trafalgar Square, London

A fun-filled day for all ages - celebrating the chess themes and 150th anniversary of Alice Through the Looking Glass....



GIANT Chess

Social Chess

Blindfold Chess

Chess Lessons for Children

Chess Lessons for Grown-ups

Simultaneous Displays

Children's Craft Activities

Challenge a Chess Master

Human Chess



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