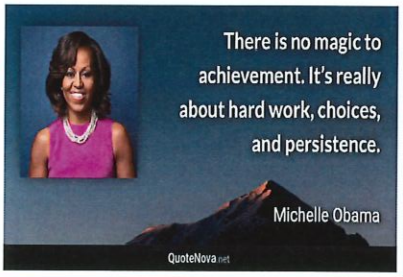
DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th February 2022

It's been a challenging but incredible half term! The children (and staff) have earned a well deserved rest! This month the quote that we ask you to reflect on with your children is this one by Michelle Obama. Can they reflect on their own achievements this half-term and give examples of how they got there? Have a lovely break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 21st February.



Attendance and Punctuality

We are working hard to improve our attendance and punctuality. Please help us by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and on time. School starts at **8.55a.m.** If your child is unwell please call the school on the first day of absence. Thank you.

Best attendance this half term: EYFS: Copper KS1: Purple KS2: Garnet

Well done!

Term Dates

Friday 11th February ~ Last day of Half Term

Monday 14th ~ Friday 18th February Half Term Holiday

Monday 21st February ~ Children return to school

Friday 1st April ~ Last day of Term

Monday 4th April ~ Monday 18th April ~ Holiday (including Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 19th ~ INSET day for staff

Wednesday 20th April -Children return to School

Packed Lunches

Can we please remind you not to include peanuts or food items containing nuts in your child's packed lunch box

INSET DAY

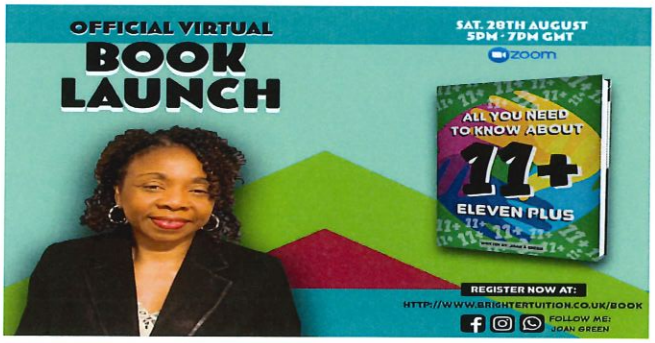
Please be reminded that the school will be closed to all children on:

Thursday 5th May 2022

The school is being used as a Polling Station

Tuesday 22nd February is International Mother Language Day children are invited to wear national/cultural dress for school.

I'm sure you would like to join us in congratulating Joan Green, (who was a teacher at Deptford Park for many years), on her recent book launch. Well done Joan!



A copy of this newsletter can also be downloaded from the school website: www.deptfordparkschool.co.uk.
Also follow us on twitter @deptfordpark or download our free app

Half-term fun

Southbank Centre
Imagine Children's Festival
9-20 February

Lots of fun for all the family!

See full events page at the back of this newsletter.

REMINDER: World Book Day

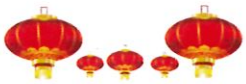
On 3rd March we will be celebrating

World Book Day.

The children will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character …Get those ideas ready, we will also remind you nearer the time.

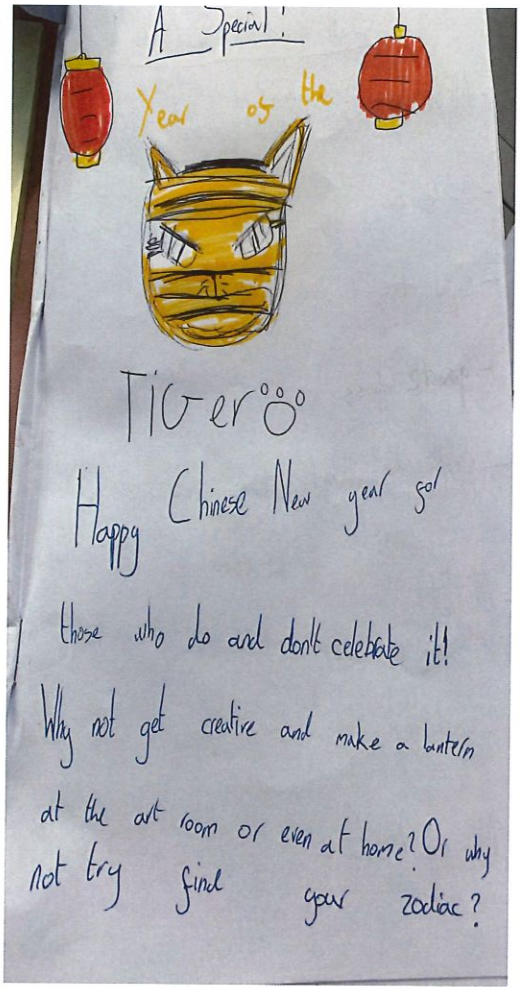
Luna New Year Celebrations

Year 6



Year 3

Thank you Katie! Year 5



Free fun

Shape the World with OKIDO
Daily, 12 – 20 Feb
Free your imagination with a giant free-play game of Tangram for you and your kids. Ages 2 – 11

Crafty Cartoons with Bino & Fino
Sat 12 Feb
Watch, craft, then dance as the curious cartoon duo inspire kids to follow their curiosity. All ages

Fun DMC
Sun 13 Feb
Walk this way for a party of child-friendly hip-hop, funk and disco anthems. All ages

ZooNation Youth Company's Hip-Hop Half-Term
Wed 16 Feb
Bust a move in this family-friendly day of hip-hop dancing demos and workshops. Ages 5+

Under-5s

Slumber Stories
Wed 9 & Thu 10 Feb
Drift into a calm and mindful night-time routine with tales and music from around the world. Ages 0 – 5

intotheclouds
Wed 9 & Thu 10 Feb
Fluffy and soft and bright: welcome to the Cloud Factory in a playful, sensory and highly visual theatre experience for babies. Ages 19 – 36 months

Club Origami
Wed 16 Feb
Rip, fold and scrumple! What can we make with a single square of paper? With dance and live music, Club Origami invites the audience to create new ways of moving and thinking. Ages 2 – 5

And that's not all!
See the full listings and book tickets via southbankcentre.co.uk/imagine

Listings correct at time of going to print.

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SOUTHBANK CENTRE

20 YEARS OF

Imagine

CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL
FOR AGES 0 – 11

12 DAYS OF JAM-PACKED FUN

WITH LOADS OF FREE EVENTS OVER HALF-TERM

9 – 20 Feb 2022

Celebrate 20 years of Imagine Children's Festival

Dive into 12 days of the best children's theatre, literature and music, with plenty of workshops and free fun for everyone.

Draw, write, read, play, sing, dance and create with us. With origami, yoga and poetry, plus theatre, music and plenty of free events and mindful activities, there's loads to do for ages 0 – 11. This is your half-term sorted.

Highlights

Musical adventures

Peppa Pig: My First Concert
Fri 11 – Sun 13 Feb
Everyone's favourite Pig family leads an interactive introduction to live orchestra for the whole family. Ages 2+

Mmm Ahh Whoosh
Sat 12 & Sun 13 Feb
Under-fives are welcomed to a wondrous world of music and animation inspired by our first breaths, hums and gurgles, in a family-friendly gig with Mellow Baku. Ages 0 – 5

YolanDa's Band Jam
Wed 16 Feb
In a live version of her CBeebies TV show, saxophonist YolanDa introduces kids to the joys of music with singing, dancing and playing. Ages 3 – 11

Gaspard's Foxtrot
Wed 16 Feb
The latest tale in the delightful *Gaspard the Fox* series is narrated by the book's author, Zeb Soanes, and soundtracked by the Philharmonia Orchestra. Ages 5+

Enchanting shows

The Dark
Sat 12 & Sun 13 Feb
A brave young boy befriends the darkness in a captivating and accessible performance, featuring vibrant new choreography and live music. Ages 5 – 10

Josephine
Wed 16 Feb
With passion, wit and jazz, this play tells Josephine Baker's story, from the slums of St Louis via the bright lights of Paris and into the hearts of the world. Ages 8+

Little Murmur
Thu 17 Feb
Jump into a world of dance, technology and illustration in a heartfelt family show based on a true story of one child's struggle with letters and words. Ages 7 – 11

Butterflies
Thu 17 & Fri 18 Feb
An uplifting tale of friendship, courage and facing your fears, *Butterflies* responds to young children's experience of anxiety. Ages 3 – 9

Dive into the page

Growing Up, Making Mistakes and Becoming YOU!
Sat 12 Feb
Rudimental's Leon Rolle and writer Derek Owusu's new book, *About This Boy*, is about finding confidence, being yourself and never giving up on your dreams! Ages 9+

Julia Donaldson & Friends: A Pocketful of Songs
Sat 19 Feb
The author of *The Gruffalo* presents a musical show featuring her best-loved characters. Ages 4+

A Morning with Michael Rosen
Sun 20 Feb
The former Children's Laureate introduces *Sticky McStickstick*, his moving and inspirational new picture book – a story of perseverance and hope. Rosen also discusses and reads a selection of his best-loved poems and stories. Ages 5+

Escape with Jacqueline Wilson
Sun 20 Feb
The bestselling children's author reveals how she created her most-loved characters and introduces her new books, *The Runaway Girls* and *The Primrose Railway Children*. Ages 8 – 12

Little Poets, Beautiful Voices with Joseph Coelho
Sun 20 Feb
Guess poetic riddles, pull poetic faces and discover how easy it is to be courageous with poetry. Ages 5 – 10

Journey to the Last River with Teddy Keen
Fri 18 Feb
Follow the nail-biting journey of the Unknown Adventurer as they search for a long-lost river. Ages 7 – 12

Adam Kay: A Hilarious & Gross History of The Human Body
Sat 19 Feb
Take a deliciously disgusting tour of the human body with the writer and former doctor Adam Kay. Ages 7+

Access
Imagine Children's Festival includes a wide range of access-friendly events for a variety of needs.
For information on accessible events, see southbankcentre.co.uk/access or call 020 3879 9555

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