



DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 1st April 2022

It's been a successful half term and the children have done us proud once again with their commitment to work hard and achieve so much. It's been really great to see many of our clubs up and running again and the children enjoying a range of celebrations and whole school events which wasn't possible during much of the pandemic. We hope you and your children enjoy a well deserved break with lighter and hopefully warmer (not snowy!) days. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Wednesday 20th April 2022. We hope you enjoy discussing the end of term quote by Henry Ford with your child.

If you think
you can or
you think you
can't, you're
right!

Henry Ford

We raised a fantastic £243 for Ukraine this amount includes the donation of £50 from our school council.

Was so lovely seeing so many children supporting the colours Yellow & Blue



PE Kits

Can we please remind you of the PE days listed below. Children need to bring in the correct PE Kit on the day they have PE

Our PE Kits consists of

Navy or black shorts and a plain navy/black/white t-shirt (a jumper and jogging bottoms again navy or black if it is cold) and plain black/white/navy trainers.

Monday
Yellow Purple Jasper Garnet

Tuesday
Opal Jade Quartz Garnet

Wednesday
Sapphire Emerald Pearl

Thursday
Ruby Diamond Jasper

Friday
Green Rose Pearl

To all our families who celebrate:



Achievement

A huge congratulations to Bence in Year 5 who Participated in the National BMX competition.

Bence finished 10th on the first day, and 13th on the second making him 12th overall. What a fantastic achievement.

Well done Bence!



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 ~ Opal 2nd ~ Quartz 3rd ~ Pearl

Term Dates

Friday 1st April ~ Last day of Spring Term

Monday 4th April ~ Monday 18th April ~ Half Term

Tuesday 19th April ~ Inset Day

Wednesday 20th April ~ Children return to school

Friday 27th May ~ Last day prior to the Half Term Holiday

Monday 30th May ~ Friday 3rd June ~ Half Term Holiday

Polite Notice

Can we please ask you to refrain from smoking at or near our school gates at drop off and pick up times

Thank you



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

Red Nose Day!

COMIC RELIEF

We raised an amazing **£212.06** for this worthwhile charity.

Thank you very much!



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

Also follow us on

[twitter@deptfordpark](https://twitter.com/deptfordpark)



As you may know, Lewisham is the London Borough of Culture for 2022!

LEAN (Lewisham Education Arts Network) are sending us a Creative Challenge every month, which we will post in our Newsletter.

The Creative Challenge for April is to Made do and Mend; to take an old piece of clothing you no longer wear and turn it into something fashionable that can be modelled on our runway.

The **Sewing hub** at the WeAreLewisham store in Lewisham Shopping Centre, will be opening on **Wednesday 6th April**. It will be open Wed – Sun, 10am – 5pm with a late session on Thursday 7th April from 10am – 7pm.

Throughout Easter Holidays **from 7th – 17th April**, children and young people will be able to come and select an item and learn how to sew it onto a second hand coat, which will go into our **fashion show on Friday 29th April in Lewisham Shopping Centre**.

The show will be hosted by Designer Karen Arthur and will feature pieces by Circle Collective, Pinkies and Karen Arthur alongside brilliant upcycled pieces by local young people and the wider public.

The Creative Challenge for April is in Partnership with Karen Arthur and LandSec Lewisham.



The Year 6 children took part in a Dancing Ahead taster workshop.

Dancing Ahead is a weekly creative dance programme supporting young people aged **10-14 years** at risk of low resilience or poor mental health and is delivered by Trinity Laban. The weekly dance class builds confidence levels and skills through fun, creative and empowering dance activities, to support young people to build resilience and develop positive peer relationships.

Participants are engaged in an open and inclusive learning environment, encouraging artistic and creative expression and enabling an embodied knowledge of resilience.

The group will meet over the Summer Term, and will be led by an experienced Dance Artist.

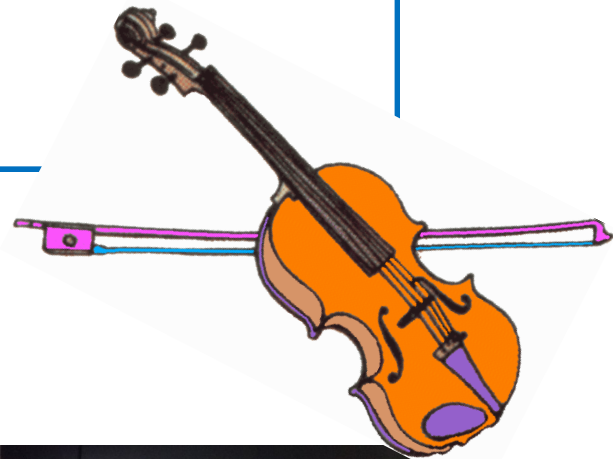
For more information and to sign up, please visit <https://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/dancing-ahead/>



Our Year 3 children are starting to get really good at the violin! We had a visit from two musicians, Helena and Elena. They played their viola and cello to us, and taught us a little bit about the string family. We finished our session by playing a piece of music with them!

They were very complimentary of our bow holds in particular! We look forward to working with them again soon – look out for a video of us performing with them on our Year group page on the school's website.

Helena and Elena work with the Musician's Company. You can check out their twitters @MusiciansComp, @HelenaSvigelj and on Instagram @themusicianscompany @elenaaccogliola @helenasvigelj



Children's Dance Holiday Programme April 2022

Join us from 11 – 14 April for a fun-filled 4 days of dancing, exploring and creating at Trinity Laban. Young dancers, aged 6 – 12 years, will develop technical skills, musicality, and creativity through tasks, challenges and sequences, exploring other areas such as Costume, Dance Science and much more!

Can't attend the full four days? No problem! Children also have the option to attend days 1, 2 and/or 3&4. When booking, select the date(s) your child will attend.

Concession rate is available for the full 4-day programme, for children in receipt of **Free School Meals**. Proof of status is required on arrival at Holiday Programme prior to admission. Places are limited.

To book and for more info, please visit:

<https://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/take-part/summer-schools/childrens-holiday-programme/>