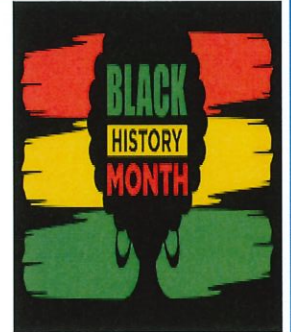




DEPTFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st October 2022

It's been an amazing half term and we have been very proud of the children who have worked extremely hard! This month we celebrated Black History Month and staff and children have been finding out about a variety of great Black men and women who have achieved exceptional and extraordinary things in history. It's been wonderful to recognise and celebrate these achievements. Some exciting events are happening in Lewisham throughout half term including a visit from Dr Julius Garvey (son of activist Marcus Garvey). Please see the other side of this newsletter for further information.



We wish you a restful half term break and look forward to welcoming the children back on **Monday 31st October 2022.**

Secondary Transfer Deadline

The deadline for our current Y6's to apply for a secondary school is **31st October**. Please don't leave it until the last minute!

Please ensure that you make an application or your child will not be offered a school place for September 2023.

Full details of how to apply are on our school website at the following link

<https://www.deptfordpark.lewisham.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2/>

The Lewisham "Starting Secondary school" video can be watched here: [\(5\) Starting secondary school in Lewisham - YouTube](#)

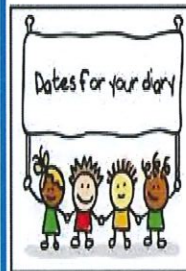
Parents' Evening (Virtual) letters to follow 7th November

**Pearl Class Parents' Evening
10th November**

**School Photo's
15th November**

**Children In Need Pyjama Day
18th November**

**Flu Nasal Vaccine
24th November**



Hello Yellow

**We raised £177.32 for the Young Minds charity.
Thank you to all that donated.**



**DON'T FORGET TO PUT YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE
YOU GO TO BED ON SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER**



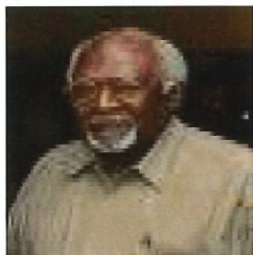
Term Dates

Monday 24th October ~ Friday 28th October ~ Half Term

**Monday 31st October ~ Children return to school
Friday 16th December ~ Last Day of the Autumn Term**

**Monday 19th December ~ Monday 2nd January ~ Holiday
Tuesday 3rd January ~ Inset Day
Wednesday 4th January ~ Children return to school**

LEWISHAM NEWS: BLACK HISTORY EVENTS



Dr Julius Garvey – a renowned vascular surgeon and the son of Jamaican civil rights activist, the Rt Honourable Marcus Mosiah Garvey - is visiting the borough, for the first time in nine years, as part of our Black History Lewisham 365 programme.

We're inviting young people (under 18) to join him for an afternoon discussion where he'll use his own experiences to inspire them as future leaders. This once-in-a-lifetime event will be full of lively discussion, with some live entertainment.

Tickets are free and should be booked in advance through Eventbrite Please note under-12s must be accompanied by an adult.

Please visit **Lewisham Council - Black History Lewisham 365** for more wonderful events across the Lewisham borough and further information



As part of the Borough of Culture's Creative challenge in October of Poetry, Lewisham libraries are hosting workshops in 10 Lewisham libraries from 22nd – 30th October for children 7+. The sessions are being run by Apples and Snakes who are hosting "SPIN around the Earth". Join Apples and Snakes for a fun-filled 45 minute session of raps, poems and stories linked to the Environment and how we can keep the planet green. There is a Creative workshop after the performances for children run by a local poet.

Good Attendance is 96% or Above

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 ~ Purple 2nd ~ Jade 3rd ~ Garnet

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

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