



# NEWSLETTER

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**Be Confident**

**Be Cooperative**

## HEADS' CORNER

Hi everyone,

We hope you all had a lovely weekend in the sunshine. This week's newsletter details some of the exciting events we have planned for this half term, starting with National Sports Week next week (see below)!

We would really like to add in our whole school 'Yes Day' to the events calendar; keep going with your FRED (Families Reading Every Day) bookmarks so that we can get up to 30,000 reads before the end of term.

This weekend is 'The Great Get Together' <https://www.greatgettogether.org/> which is an initiative inspired by the late Jo Cox, designed to bring people together to celebrate what they have in common. This fits in very well with our 'Join together June' assemblies this week, focusing on our school values of Be Caring and Be Cooperative. These values will be very useful during 'Feel Good Friday' afternoons when each class will be working on their entry to the Spirited Arts Competition (see the next page). The theme we have selected for the competition is based around the Jo Cox quote "We have far more in common with each other than that which divides us."

Have a great week,

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles



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## **TWO YEAR 4 PLAYERS DEEP IN THOUGHT AS THEY ENJOY CHESS IN THE SUNSHINE**



Excitement and competitive spirit have been explosive in chess club as this week saw the first matches in our Underhill chess tournament!

This round robin style competition will continue through the half term with the player with the best win/loss record getting not only a chess set of their own, but being awarded the prestigious 'Underhill Chess Champion' trophy.

## **SPORTS WEEK**

Unfortunately this year there will be no Sports Day due to the current restrictions, however we will be celebrating National Sports Week with the rest of the Uk. We are delighted to have a variety workshops throughout the week for our children to participate in their year group bubble.

To kick start the week we would like the children to turn up in their own appropriate sporting clothes (No Crop tops) on Monday 21st June and for the rest of the week be in their Underhill PE kit as they will then be ready for the fun sporting activities lined up!

## **OVERDUE DEBTS**

Please can we ask all parents and carers to ensure that they settle any outstanding debts on your child's school money account by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.



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## GROW PROJECT

Please see below an excerpt from the Grow project newsletter



## LEARNING FROM THE LAND NEWSLETTER #2

### ***LEARNING FROM THE LAND PROGRAMME UPDATES***

We have had a wonderful first 5 weeks of the *Learning from the Land* programme. Students have been developing their mindful gardening and observation skills and are now experts in all of our favourite breathing exercises! They have also been learning how to identify different types of plants and their parts, and how to create pollinator gardens.

The new raised beds have started filling up as the students have been planting out strawberries, sage, calendula, rainbow chard, and more! Anyone who visits should be able to identify what has been planted from the students' beautiful labelling.

We have also been learning about the *Three Sisters* growing system. This is a form of 'companion planting' where corn, beans, and squash are purposefully grown together in the same space. According to Native American legend, these three crops are inseparable sisters who can only grow and thrive together!



# GROW



### ***Learning from the Land***

*Learning from the Land* is The Totteridge Academy's 3-year project delivered by GROW, in partnership with 4 primary schools in Barnet.

*Learning from the Land* is proudly and gratefully funded by the John Lyon's Charity Schools in Partnership Fund.

If you'd like to get in touch with GROW about *Learning from the Land*, please contact [lucy@wearegrow.org](mailto:lucy@wearegrow.org)

[www.thetotteridgeacademy.org.uk](http://www.thetotteridgeacademy.org.uk)



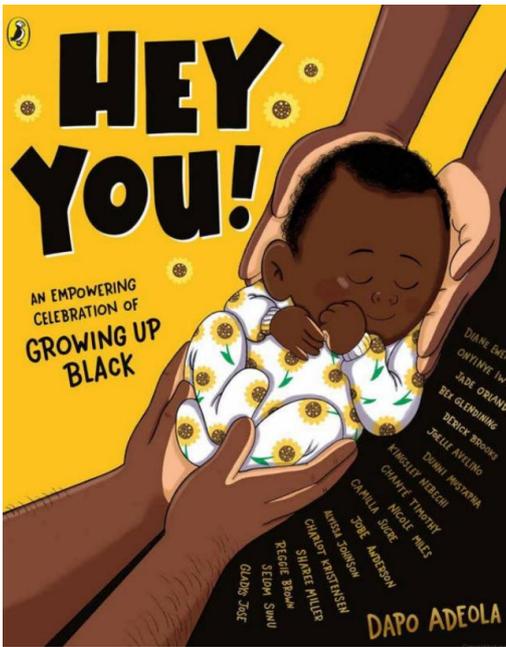
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## YEAR 5 AND 6

This week, Year 5 and 6 watched a zoom webinar hosted by published author and illustrator - Dapo Adeola.

Dapo showed us a range of his books and read aloud one of them titled 'Hey You!'

Hey You is a book that Dapo wrote to his younger self, and explained that the reason he wanted to write it was to inspire other young black children. He explained, that despite whatever challenges you might face, you can achieve anything in life.

The chat was very inspiring and it was a great opportunity to have a live webinar with a published author who can be a role model to the children.

## OFFICE

Please could we remind Parents/Carers that we are currently only allowing one family into the office at a time. Please could you queue outside the office until it is your turn whilst maintaining social distance. Please do not forget your mask. Thank you.



## SUNNY WEATHER

Now the days are warmer please remember to apply sunscreen to your child in the mornings before school and send them in with a hat and water bottle



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## LAUNCH OF BREAKFAST AT HOME WEBSITE

The National School Breakfast Programme has launched its breakfast at home area on the Family Action website where you will find lots of information and advice on providing a low cost , nutritious, daily breakfast at home. See [www.family-action.org.uk/BreakfastAtHome](http://www.family-action.org.uk/BreakfastAtHome)

## VACANCY FOR RELIEF MEALTIME SUPERVISOR

We are looking to recruit Relief Mealtime Supervisors on an as-and-when basis. You would need to be available to work at short notice as this role is to cover sickness and absence. You must be flexible, caring, responsible and conscientious. Responsibilities include supervision in the dining hall and playground.

- Closing date : Monday 5 July 2021 at 12 noon
- Interview: By arrangement, candidates may be interviewed before the closing date if their application is successful

An Application pack can be downloaded from our website [www.underhillschool.org](http://www.underhillschool.org)

## BIG BEE CHALLENGE

Radio 2 have launched the Big Bee challenge for children aged 6-12. They have to design a bee-friendly garden. If you are interested please click on the link below for more information on the entry form/how to apply.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/2qk4dDdJJdsVFmclhZ7RwmW/how-to-enter>



## House attendance

-  Balmoral – 92.90%
-  Windsor – 97.01%
-  Holyrood – 97.51%
-  Sandringham – 92.84%



Beech	92.82%
Maple	97.63%
1 Oak	94.69%
1 Willow	94.20%
2 Chestnut	97.78%
2 Palm	92.65%
3 Cedar	94.07%
3 Hornbeam	94.71%
3 Yew	90.20%
4 Cherry	97.94%
4 Larch	98.35%
4 Pine	94.80%
5 Holly	96.71%
5 Laurel	98.33%
5 Sycamore	98.35%
6 Elm	93.89%
6 Hawthorn	92.73%

Conker AM	Lorena
Conker PM	Frankie-Allen
Beech	Odett
Maple	Aayan
1 Oak	Hannah
1 Willow	Sarah
2 Chestnut	Kabir
2 Palm	Airis
3 Cedar	Zack
3 Hornbeam	Oscar
3 Yew	Lacey-May
4 Cherry	Chloe
4 Larch	Lola
4 Pine	Imran
5 Holly	Laura
5 Laurel	Frankie
5 Sycamore	Aryana
6 Elm	James
6 Hawthorn	Mohammed

If your child has had a Covid test, please email results to: [attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net](mailto:attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net)



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Year group	Drop off time	Pick up time
Nursery AM	8.45am	11.45pm
Nursery PM	12.30pm	3.30pm
Reception	8.55am	3.20pm
Year 1	8.50am	3.10pm
Year 2	8.40am	3.20pm
Year 3	8.50am	3.30pm
Year 4	8.40am	3.20pm
Year 5	8.50am	3.30pm
Year 6	8.40am	3.20pm

## **PUNCTUALITY**

Please can you ensure your child is at school on time each day. If a child is repeatedly late they miss crucial learning. Also you run the risk of incurring a fine from the London Borough of Barnet.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**June 21<sup>st</sup>-June 25<sup>th</sup> Sports Week**

**Monday July 12<sup>th</sup> Reports will start to be emailed out from this date**

**Tuesday July 13<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Production**

**Wednesday July 14<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Production**

**Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> Reception class Graduation 2.15pm**

**Tuesday July 20<sup>th</sup> Transition Day**

**Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup> Afternoon-End of Year Class Parties**

**Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup> Nursery Graduation 10.45am and 2.30pm**

**Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup> Year 2 Graduation**

**Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> School finishes at 2pm for the Summer Holidays**

**Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup> School returns**



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### Welfare advice

Get help free confidential help and support with Council tax benefits, Child tax credits, Working family tax credits, Child benefit, Housing benefit, Disability living allowance, Maternity benefits and application forms/appeals

### Locality Housing Navigator advice

Struggling with rent arrears, been served a notice by a landlord, not sure about claiming Discretionary housing payments

**Email [info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net](mailto:info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net) or call 020 8449 2423 to book a telephone appointment for Welfare or Locality Housing Navigator advice  
Telephone Counselling text 07718 648305 to arrange sessions**

**Our Children's Centre are running face to face and virtual sessions which you must book in advance:**

### Boogie Mites for 0-5 years old

Face to face – Tuesdays 9.15am -10am. Contact: 07511 273 564

Virtual - Wednesdays 9.15am -10am. Contact 07718 648 305

### Rhyme Time for 0-5 years old

Face to face - Mondays 1.30pm -2.15pm. Contact: 07511 273 564

Virtual session Fridays 10.30am - 11.15am. Text 07718 648 305

**[https://www.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/east\\_central\\_locality\\_timetable\\_-\\_summer\\_term\\_2021.pdf](https://www.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/east_central_locality_timetable_-_summer_term_2021.pdf)**



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# If you are likely to become homeless in the next 8 weeks, contact your council for help now.

There are different types of  
support your council could  
offer you.

For example, they may offer you  
advice, support to find longer-term  
housing or help so you can stay  
in your home.

For more information please visit:

[www.gov.uk/if-youre-homeless-at-risk-of-homelessness](http://www.gov.uk/if-youre-homeless-at-risk-of-homelessness)  
or [barnethomes.org](http://barnethomes.org)

Please call Barnet Homes' Housing Options  
Service on 020 8610 3539  
or email [housingadvice@barnethomes.org](mailto:housingadvice@barnethomes.org)



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