

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to start by thanking everyone for an incredible first year at Downsell Primary. Over this year we have grown from strength to strength and plans are drawn to make the next academic year even better. I would like to thank all volunteers, parents, staff and children who contributed to our success over the year.

On Wednesday our Sports day was spectacular and next year, we can assure you, it will be even better. Thank you very much for a positive feedback regarding Summer Spectacular and, once again, plans are in place to make the next year's Summer Spectacular even better. We raised £1750!

Staff news: Mrs Daly will be retiring at the end of this academic year and on behalf of governors, staff, children and the community I would like to wish her a very prosperous future. There is a book in the office for parents/carers and community to sign (from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July).

Mr Chetty

### Chinese students visit from our partner school in China

A group of students from Shunde Elementary School in China visited our school for 3 days from 10<sup>th</sup> July. Their visit is part of strengthening our international and cultural links.

The students participated in a number of lessons and developed their spoken English. Our pupils enjoyed learning Mandarin, listening to Chinese music and poetry, dance, calligraphy and much more. The visit proved to be a very positive experience for both our pupils and the Chinese students as it enabled them to learn about different cultures. It also highlighted aspects of school life and learning that both schools share.

## Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July—School closes at 1 pm

### Dates for the diary for Year 6

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2 pm – Year 6 Graduation**  
(Parents/carers invited)

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 5:30-8 pm – Prom & Barbecue**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 9:30-12 noon – Water fun**



### **Parents/Carers of Year 6 children who went to Moat Mount,**

Please come and join us on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 6 pm** for a great evening with DVD, pizza, popcorn and drinks.

We would like to invite you and your child to watch the DVD about the experiences your child had on the residential trip in Moat Mount last month. We believe the children had an amazing time there and we would like to revive the memories one more time before the children leave our school. There will be an opportunity to order your very own DVD on the night as well. Hope to see you there.

Well done to all our Bravo, Achievement and Golden Award Winners for this week.

Class	Child's Name		
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Italy	Logan, Inaya	Lenira, Ayhem	Kaiden, Lenira
Scotland	William, Tomiwa	Zariah, Miran	
Greece	Teeyano, Hifsa, Iman, Cristina, Keenan		Class Greece
Jamaica	Nathalie, Doshika, Sulaiman, Marcus, Linnlatt, Basil, Mia, Haajra	Raqayyah, Mateo,	Abdullahi
Kosovo	Lillie	Moinuddin	
India			Tia, Veronika
Brazil	Elise	Adriano	
Gibraltar	Attal, Kara		Kevinas
Norway	Brendan, Jin, Cheryl		
France			Demiah
Malaysia			Matilda
Egypt	Paris	Aliza	
China	Zahir, Viktoria, Sukanto, Hadya, Admir	Terry, Ayesha	
South Africa	Hawalul, Maya	Leonard, Aaliyah, Fatima, Tysha	

**New pen licence holders:**

**Attal** - class Malaysia  
**Nojus**—South Africa



We would like to say good bye and good luck to members of staff who are leaving at the end of this term: Mr Carter, Mrs Khatun and Helen Folaranmi.  
And we would like to send the best wishes to Ms Megan Nixon who is going on maternity leave.

**Inaaya** from class Greece and **Milena** from class Italy completed a 12 week family fun activity sessions and will receive a Family fun session certificate. Well done girls!

**30 Hour Free Nursery places**

Parents eligible for a 30 hour free nursery place will need to have their codes **generated** by the assessment tool at [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) **before the 31<sup>st</sup> of August** to be able to take a place in September.

**Fun day at Leytonstone Fire Station**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017 11 am – 4 pm**

Come and meet your local firefighters for fire safety advice, free smoke alarm fitting, a chance to view fire service equipment. Also meet local ambulance personnel and police officers.

466 High Road Leytonstone  
London, E11 3HH



## Class parties—Tuesday 18th July

On Tuesday afternoon children are going to have some fun with their classmates and teachers. They will play games, listen to music, have some snacks and drinks, etc. We would appreciate if you could contribute some food or drinks. please speak to your child's teacher to let them know what your child can bring for the party. Thank you.  
(Just a reminder, we are a nut free school)

### **Current Year 5 Trip to Moat Mount Open Space Centre**

**20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017**

As you might be aware we are organising an educational adventure activity course at Moat Mount Open Space Centre at Mill Hill, Barnet, in September 2017. We visited the centre with current Year 6 children last June and the trip proved to be very successful and enjoyable for everyone.

We would like all the children to take part in this course, but realize that not all parents want their child to stay away from home overnight. For this reason there are two options: some children will stay overnight while others will have a day trip.

To help you decide which option you want to choose for your child, we would like to invite you and your child to watch the DVD regarding Moat Mount and the experiences your child will have, on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 6 pm. You can also find out more about the ethos of Moat Mount, its courses, supervisory and safety measures on <http://www.moatmount.co.uk>



### Book sale

**Selling old and new books starting from 50p!**

**Date: Tuesday 18th July**

**Time: 3.30pm - 4.30pm**

**Where: KS1 playground**

**Any questions, please see Miss Rahman.**



### Afterschool clubs

Many children enjoyed attending various clubs this year and we are going to continue with these next academic year as well. **All current clubs ended this week.** Please watch out for a letter at the beginning of September with the list of clubs that you can register your child for online on our school website on the Pay + shop.



Bag 2 School is a free fundraising scheme that works in partnership with schools to help them raise funds from clothes donations.

In the new academic school year we will be arranging a date with Bag 2 School to arrive at our school with their van to collect any unwanted clothes that we have. Do you have any unwanted clothes at home? Will you be having a big summer clear out? If so, please keep the clothes in plastic bags and we will inform you of the collection date so that you can bring your clothes donations in and we'll put it in their van. The clothes collection is then weighed and they will send the school a cheque.

### Re - Year 2 School meals

We would like to remind parents/carers of current Year 2 children that in Year 3 they have to start paying for their school meals (unless you are entitled to Free School Meals, approved by the local authority). You will need to pay for the meals on our school website, Pay + shop, please ensure you have your logins to do so.



### Razza Roller Disco

Roller disco is back in Langthorne Park on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 10:30 am to 7:30 pm.

Please see the leaflet on the reception window for more details.

**Last day of this term is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. School closes at 1 pm  
Children return back on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017**