

# Dair House Newsletter

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## Head's Welcome

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of a second challenging year due to Covid-19. Resilience is frequently listed by schools as an aspiration for their pupils and this year has truly been one in which everyone's resilience has been fully tested. I am so pleased to say that everyone involved with Dair House has shown such excellent resilience throughout the whole academic year. Even now, Year 5, Mrs Dangerfield and Mrs Haward are sadly at home having to self-isolate!



So, today we say good bye to Year 6. The boys and girls from Year 6 have been amazing in how they have managed to stay focused right until today. Their film of Shakespeare Rocks was excellent. The acting, humour and singing was exceptional. I would like to thank them, Mrs Bull and Mr Carter for producing such a film in these difficult times! The hours and hours of editing were very well worth it!

We will also say good bye to Miss Chambers and Miss Grahame. Miss Chambers has worked so hard in her three years and we wish her well at Long Close. Miss Grahame has also worked hard in her LSA role and we wish her well for the future.

Happily, we have welcomed back Mrs Fitzgerald after her maternity leave. I would like to thank Mrs Southerden for coming out of retirement to teach Maths; Mrs Richards for taking on extra Form tutor and teaching responsibilities; and Miss Hughes for teaching RE during this time.

I hope that, when we will return in September, the restrictions will have been removed and we will be able to run the school as we did before the pandemic.

We have the exciting development of Forest School to look forward to; small teacher to pupil ratios; and further work with Microsoft and Thinking Matters. Indeed, this time next year, we will have celebrated the school's 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

I will close by using the cyclist Mark Cavendish as inspiration. Having been an amazing sprint cycle specialist, Mark Cavendish was practically written off as he suffered from the debilitating Epstein-Barr virus; his very presence at the Tour de France was in doubt. Now, against all the odds he is on the verge of being the most successful stage winner ever. That is true resilience!

Have a lovely summer,







# Sports Day 2021



## And the winners were....



KS1– St George

KS2– St David





# Speech Day Winners 2021

## Dair House Cups and Shields are awarded in a range of areas of school life:

|           |             |                     |
|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| Reception | Academic    | Nishaan Tawana      |
| Reception | Effort      | Eman Amin           |
| Reception | Achievement | Jojo Jackson        |
| Y1        | Academic    | Kaysha Patel        |
| Y1        | Effort      | Bella Chhokar       |
| Y1        | Achievement | Sophie Jackson      |
| Y2        | Academic    | Megan Aujla         |
| Y2        | Effort      | Julia Power         |
| Y2        | Achievement | Carlotta Trapani    |
| Y3        | Academic    | Reuben Chhokar      |
| Y3        | Effort      | Fergus Blahy        |
| Y3        | Achievement | Zack Griffin        |
| 4H        | Academic    | Daniel Marston      |
| 4H        | Effort      | Areen Sidhu         |
| 4H        | Achievement | Bertie Waugh        |
| 4R        | Academic    | Isabella Hedley     |
| 4R        | Effort      | Rania Al-Hashemy    |
| 4R        | Achievement | Arthur Catherall    |
| Y5        | Academic    | Kai Le              |
| Y5        | Effort      | Isabella Wilson     |
| Y5        | Achievement | Manpreet Randhawa   |
| 6CA       | Academic    | Deeyan Aujla        |
| 6CA       | Effort      | Ria Solan           |
| 6CA       | Achievement | Katie Temple        |
| 6CH       | Academic    | Zak Breeze          |
| 6CH       | Effort      | Alfie Evans-Pollard |
| 6CH       | Achievement | Uma Kanda           |



# Speech Day Winners 2021

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|              |                                    |                          |
|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Years 1&2    | Citizenship Cup                    | Georgie Holmes           |
| Years 3&4    | Citizenship Cup                    | Rahul Mistry             |
| Years 5&6    | Citizenship Cup                    | Abbie McLaren            |
| Years 1&2    | Boys' Games Shield                 | Panos Makris             |
| Years 1&2    | Girls' Games Shield                | Carlotta Trapani         |
| Years 3&4    | Boys' Games Shield                 | George Bains             |
| Years 3&4    | Girls' Games Shield                | Hope Moreton             |
| Years 5&6    | Boys' Games Shield                 | Noah Armstrong           |
| Years 5&6    | Girls' Games Shield                | Susannah Chatterjee      |
|              | English Cup                        | Hannah Glasgow           |
|              | Mathematics Cup                    | Deeyan Aujla             |
|              | Penn Science Shield                | Saasha Mohanty           |
|              | Richards Cup for Continuous Effort | Zainab Khan              |
|              | Biology Cup                        | Sophie Oliveria          |
|              | Chemistry Cup                      | Harry Ram                |
|              | Physics Cup                        | Timur Miralay            |
|              | French                             | Shivank Iyer             |
|              | Progress in Design and Technology  | Lucas Barrett            |
|              | Progress in ICT                    | Theo Sterling            |
|              | History Cup                        | Xavier Maka-Venn         |
|              | RE Cup                             | Beau Blahy               |
| Key Stage 1  | Drama                              | Eleanor Marston          |
| Key Stage 2  | Drama                              | Max Rowan                |
| Key Stage 1  | Music                              | Amelia Le                |
| Key Stage 2  | Music                              | Susannah Chatterjee      |
| Key Stage 1  | Singing                            | Julia Power              |
| Key Stage 2  | Singing                            | Amrit Bhamra/ Max Rowan  |
| Key Stage 1  | Art                                | Ayvukt Sridhar           |
| Key Stage 2  | Art                                | Amber Bradley/ Uma Kanda |
|              | Gymnastics                         | Charlotte Scrace         |
|              | Curiosity Cup                      | Saasha Mohanty           |
|              | Going that extra mile              | Shivank Iyer             |
|              | Contribution to school life        | Charlotte Scrace         |
| House Points | Devonside House Cup                | St David                 |







# Speech Day Winners 2021



Sadly we weren't able to invite all parents to Speech Day this year. We were still lucky to have some beautiful weather to celebrate some fantastic achievements, in the company of Year 6 parents and the Chair of Governors Mrs Masih, in the open air!



## Class of 2021

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Noah Armstrong      | Zainab Khan       |
| Deeyan Aujla        | Xavier Maka-Venn  |
| Lucas Barrett       | Abbie McLaren     |
| Amrit Bhamra        | Timur Miralay     |
| Beau Blahy          | Saasha Mohanty    |
| Amber Bradley       | Sophie Oliveira   |
| Zak Breeze          | Harrison Ram      |
| Susannah Chatterjee | Maxim Rowan       |
| Alfie Evans-Pollard | Charlotte Scrace  |
| Hannah Glasgow      | Ria Solan         |
| Shivank Iyer        | Theodore Sterling |
| Uma Kanda           | Katie Temple      |

Mr Carter and Miss Chambers

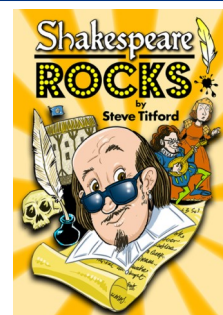




# KS2 Production

The KS2 children have been working extremely hard on the Production of 'Shakespeare Rocks' by Steve Tifford.

Please see below for a few behind the scenes pictures!





# Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Goodbye and Good luck to our wonderful Year 6 classes. You wrote an incredible leavers' assembly. Please come back and visit!





# Art Competition

We had some incredible entries into the Art Competition this year and it was extremely difficult to judge.

Well done to the following winners:

KS1 Winner: **Bella**– Year 1



KS1 Runner Up: **Julia**– Year 2



Lower KS2 Winner: **Hari**– Year 3



Lower KS2 Runner Up: **Bertie** Year 4



Upper KS2 Winner: **Pritesh** Year 5

Upper KS2 Runner Up: **Otto** Year 5

Head's award for ingenuity: **Dominic** Year 3





## Our Talented Children

A very big well done to the following children in Year 4 for achieving award in their spelling bee:

**Dhaiya, Areen, Marc and Rania**

Mrs Richards was very proud of some of the wonderful work she saw come out of the Environment day a couple of weeks back. There were fantastic charcoal art of turtles. How impressive are their pictures?



**Charlotte** in Year 6 had a beautiful cake made by her sister to celebrate her time at Dair House. It looks delicious, Charlotte!



## Music Exam Results

We were very proud this week as we had a lot of our children take part in music Exams. A very big well done to the following children:

- Beatrice** Year 5 passed grade 1 piano
- Susannah** Year 6 passed grade 4 flute with merit
- Deeyan** Year 6 passed grade 2 flute with merit
- Saasha** Year 6 passed grade 3 singing with merit
- Amrit** Year 6 passed grade 2 singing with merit
- Max** Year 6 passed grade 2 singing with distinction
- Arthur** in Year 4 passed grade 1 singing
- Maddy** in Year 3 passed in prep singing
- Annabelle** in Year 4 passed grade 1 flute with merit
- Saasha** in Year 6 passed grade 1 flute with merit
- Isabella** in Year 4 passed grade 1 clarinet with merit
- Shiv** in Year 3 passed grade 1 trumpet
- Ria** in Year 6 passed grade 3 piano with merit
- Kai** in Year 5 passed grade 3 piano with merit
- Amelia** in Year 2 passed grade 2 piano

*Well done!*





# Dair House

## Noticeboard



### Reminders

- Keep an eye on the school calendar on our website for updates throughout the year
- Check the latest school uniform lists for any changes next year
- Drop off and pick up times will change for September. More information sent via ParentMail

### PTA Update

Thank you parents for all your support this year and thank you to the teachers, office staff, kitchen staff and Mr. Simpson for keeping the spirits up within the school so our children did not feel they were lacking but thriving.

I would like to thank PTA leavers for their huge support over the years. Gina Glasgow, Lyndsay Breeze and Lisa Chatterjee. As always thank you to the officers, form Reps and the committee.

Everyone has come together, especially this year showing a wonderful community spirit and because of that we have been able to deliver some fantastic events.

The PTA have raised some healthy funds this year to nurture the school. We will be working with the teachers on new ideas and communicate with you all once we have further details

Please do get in touch if you would like to be more involved at: [dairhouseptachair@outlook.com](mailto:dairhouseptachair@outlook.com)

This past year has shown us, even though it is great to nurture ourselves and it is great to support our close family and friends together, as a wider community and a universal family - we are the strongest.

We wish you all a lovely summer break!

Best Wishes

Kiran Shashi and the PTA



We would like to wish all of our children that are celebrating over the school holiday a very Happy Birthday!



We are upgrading your newsletter experience next term... we hope you like it!

