



Executive Head Teacher

– WELCOME –
BACK TO SCHOOL
Summer Uniform

As the weather gets warmer, please encourage the children to wear the summer uniform to school.

The summer uniform options at Durand are:

Girls – Yellow and white checked summer dress (available from the school)

Boys - Grey shorts. These must be tailored school shorts, not sports shorts.

Jumpers – These are optional for the summer term.

Blazers & Ties – Must be worn to and from school every day. The children may leave blazers in the classroom during play times.

Weekly Attendance

Weekly attendance percentages for last week of term are:

Nursery	91%	Year 6	96%
Reception	94%	Year 7	97%
Year 1	97%	Year 8	92%
Year 2	95%	Year 9	96%
Year 3	96%	Year 10	92%
Year 4	94%	Year 11	90%
Year 5	97%	School Total	95%

The national average is 95%

Term Dates 2017/2018

Autumn Term 2017

INSET DAY Monday 4th September
INSET DAY Tuesday 5th September
INSET DAY Wednesday 6th September
First Day of Term Thursday 7th September

Finish Date Friday 20th October

Half Term Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October

First Day of Term Monday 30th October
Finish Date Wednesday 20th December

Spring Term 2018

Start Date Tuesday 2nd January
Finish Date Friday 9th February

Half Term Monday 12th to Friday 16th February

Start Date Monday 19th February
Finish Date Thursday 29th March

Summer Term 2018

Start Date Monday 16th April
Bank Holiday Monday 7th May
Finish Date Friday 25th May

Half Term Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June

Start Date Monday 4th June
FINISH DATE Friday 20th July

Two inset days to be decided

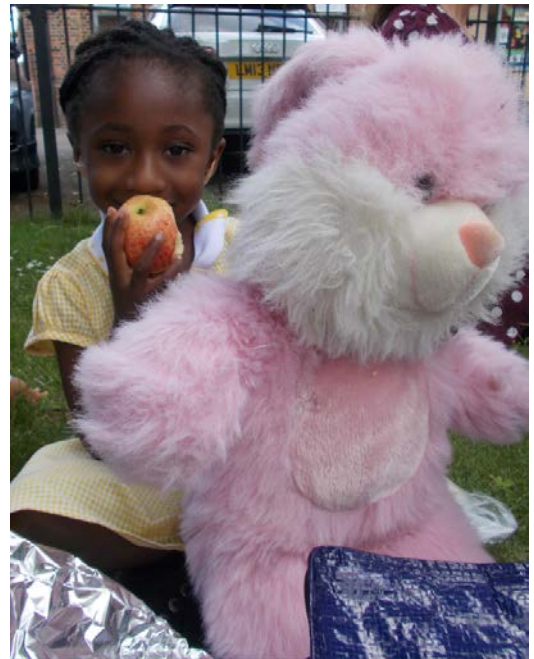
Nursery

On Tuesday and Wednesday before the half-term break, Nursery A and B had their Teddy Bears' Picnic here at school. The children brought in their teddies and some picnic food and had a lovely time.



They enjoyed playing with their teddies and sharing a new experience with their friends. Thank you to all the parents and carers for supporting your children in creating happy memories.





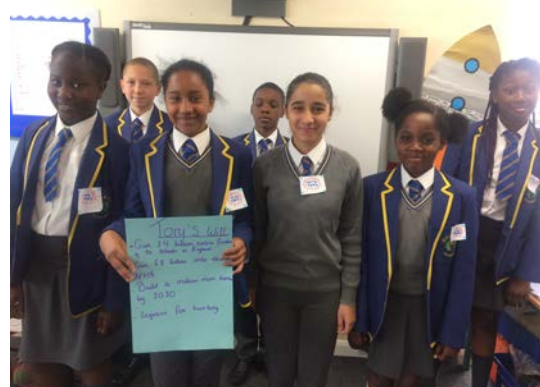
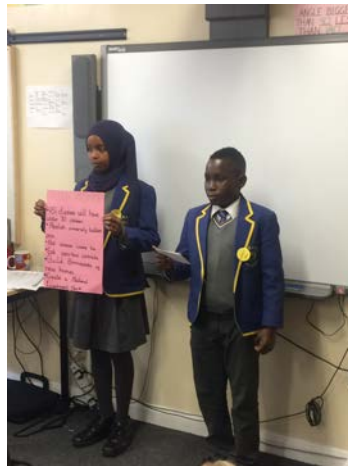
GENERAL ELECTION

2017

In spirit of the General Election this week, 6F decided to hold their own mini election around the school. They formed four of the main parties standing in the 2017 General Election: Labour, Conservative, Liberal Democrats and Green Party. Each party elected a leader, or in Green Party's case two co-leaders and campaigning got well underway. Party members put together their manifesto and began to make leaflets, posters and badges.



Once party leaders had written and practiced their speeches, they made their way round the Year 6 classes to outline their manifesto promises.



Every child in Year 6 cast their vote on a ballot paper which was then carefully counted at the end of Durand's polling day.



And the winners, with a massive 80% of the electorate, were THE LABOUR PARTY!

After School Club Registration

Forms to register your child to attend the After School Club in September 2017 will be going out in soon.

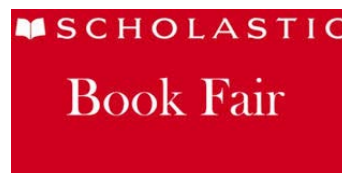
Please look out for the emails and posters which will be displayed around the reception area to remind parents to do so.

If your child is in Reception you can apply.

Forms will be available for you to collect in the offices on both sites.

Please ensure you apply by the deadline as we are unable to accept forms after this date.

Book Fair



Do you like reading? Bored of the books you have at home? Then come to the Scholastic Book Fair!

It will be located at the front of the Main Hall, near the doors on the **Hackford Road Site**. The Book Fair will be here from **Thursday 29th June until Wednesday 5th July 2017**.

Children can look at and purchase books or other resources they want after school, once they have been collected by parents at 3:30 pm.



Sports Day will take place on the following days and times:

Monday 26th June 2017	Reception (Mostyn Site) 9.30 – 10.30 am Year 2 (Hackford Road Site) 2.00 – 3.00 pm
Tuesday 27th June 2017	Nursery (Mostyn Site) 9.30 – 10.30 am Year 3 (Hackford Road Site) 2.00 – 3.00 pm
Wednesday 28th June 2017	Year 1 (Mostyn Site) 9.30 – 10.30 am
Friday 30th June 2017	Year 6 (Hackford Site) 2.00 – 3.00 pm
Monday 3rd July 2017	Year 4 (Hackford Site) 2.00 – 3.00 pm
Tuesday 4th July 2017	Year 5 (Hackford Site) 2.00 – 3.00 pm
Thursday 6th July 2017	Years 7 & 8 (Hackford Site) 9.00 am – 12.00 pm Year 9 (Hackford Site) 2.00 – 3.30 pm
Monday 10th July 2017	Year 4 Swimming Gala (Hackford Site)
Wednesday 12th July 2017	Year 5 Swimming Gala (Hackford Site)
Friday 14th July 2017	Year 6 Swimming Gala (Hackford Site)

Children **must** all wear their full school PE kit to sports day.

PE/Swimming Kit

Durand PE Kit (Must be worn)
Navy T-Shirt with Logo (Nursery to Year 6)
Navy Shorts
Red Polo-T-Shirt with Logo and Navy Shorts (Year 7 to 9)
Plain Black Plimsolls or Trainers
Swimming Kit Navy Blue or Black Trunks (no Bermuda shorts)

Important Dates

Year 6 School Journey – Monday 19th to Friday 23rd
June 2017

Parent's Evening (Nursery to Year 9) – Wednesday
5th July 2017

Year 6 Graduation – 2.00 pm - Wednesday 12th July
2017

Year 3A, 3B & 3C Production – Thursday 13th July
2017

Year 3E & 3F Production – Friday 14th July 2017

Tuesday 18th July 2017 - Last Day of Term
Thursday 7th September 2017 – First Day of Term

After School Club

Parents are reminded After School Club finishes at 6.00 pm.

Please ensure you collect children before this time. If your child is collected late on three occasions their place will be automatically withdrawn.



Contact Information

If you have recently changed your number, home address or email address please let the school reception know. It is important to have up to date contact details for all the children in case of emergency.

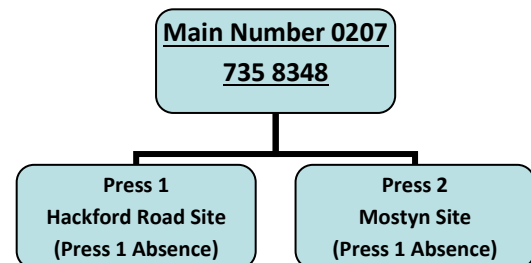
Notices

Medicine

If your child needs to take medicine at school parents must send a signed and dated letter confirming this. Please ensure the letter includes the child's full name and the date. The school is unable to administer medicine to your child.

Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, we kindly request parents to leave a clear message on the school voicemail and not call to speak to the administrators directly.



Parents must leave a message on the voicemail for each day your child is absent from school.

If your child is absent for more than three days, you must provide a letter from your doctor confirming this. Without this, your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Football/Basketballs

Please do not bring footballs or basketballs into the school. The school will provide balls for children to play with.

You can view past newsletters on our website at <http://www.durandacademy.com/news/>.

If the school does not have your email address please give it in to reception or email admin@durandprimary.com.