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Dear Parents

### School Visits

Last Friday, I visited North London Collegiate School for their annual Feeder Heads and School in Action day. We received an interesting talk from Mrs Jo Newman (Head of Junior School) and Mrs Caroline

Gerstein (Head of Lower School). Although I know the school well, it is always good to hear about the school, its ethos and the 4+ assessment process. I also had the opportunity to see the current Reception girls

(including four ex-Broadhurst pupils) perform an assembly which was fantastic. The confidence shown, along with the energy and enthusiasm the girls demonstrated, was very impressive.

### Royal Wedding

We are looking forward to the weekend and the Royal Wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Class 7 spent time this week

making crowns and enjoyed a party this morning to celebrate the occasion. Thank you very much to Miss St Hill's grandmother,

who kindly made sandwiches for the children and well done to all of Class 7 for the royal cupcakes they made yesterday.

### Hatching Eggs

The children have really enjoyed the chicks this week. So far, we have had 4 born and they are all doing well and growing every day. If you would like to visit the

'chick room' next week, please do so, it is at the bottom of the stairs next to Class 7. Please do be quiet when visiting and we would kindly ask that you do not

handle the chicks. The children are having this opportunity with their teachers.



## Curriculum News



Walking makes our children healthier and happier!

In order to promote healthy living and the value of exercise for our children, we would like to invite you to participate in 'Walk to School Week'. Walk to School is a national campaign to encourage all parents and children to make walking to school part of their daily routine. The benefits of walking,

scootering or cycling to school include improved health, stamina and energy and reduces the risk of health problems. More people walking and cycling also means fewer cars on the road and therefore less pollution. We realise that this is not possible for many of you and fully understand if you feel unable to take

part. However, we would perhaps like to encourage you, if you can, to park a little further away from school than usual and walk some of the way. We hope you enjoy this opportunity to walk with your child, especially now the weather is fine. It is a lovely time to enjoy a conversation too.



## Class News

Reception have been exploring the differences between African and Asian elephants. They have learned many facts and have

enjoyed learning a new skill, sewing. The children chose the colour of the fabric and whether it would be an African elephant with bigger

ears or an Asian elephant with smaller ears. They also named their elephants and wrote a story that included some facts.

## Why sewing?

Studies have shown that children, who learn to sew gain many mental as well as physical developmental benefits. It has been found that the various tasks

involved in sewing a simple project, such as following pattern instructions, fabric selection, colour coordination, sizing and fitting all help stimulate creative thinking, promotes self-esteem and

perseverance. Completing a sewing project from start to finish fosters a sense of accomplishment that can boost a child's morale and self-confidence. And, the tactile nature of sewing helps strengthen a child's hand-eye coordination and fine motor skills.



## Stop and Drop

Please see below the rota for 'stop and drop' next week. If you are unable to do the slot you have been assigned, we would appreciate it if you could endeavour to swap with another parent.

21/05/2018	Lara	Altunis
21/05/2018	Leo	Alhadeff
21/05/2018	Liora	Trup
21/05/2018	Maddox	Steinberg-Aziz
22/05/2018	Marius	MacNamara
22/05/2018	Matilda	Saoulli
22/05/2018	Max	Dawes
22/05/2018	Myra	Dixit
23/05/2018	Nadia	Jorgensen
23/05/2018	Naomi	Rajwan
23/05/2018	Nathan	Storchak
23/05/2018	Nathaniel	Reiner
24/05/2018	Ognian	Bhattasali
24/05/2018	Oliver	Sandler
24/05/2018	Olivia	Cuff
24/05/2018	Oscar	Gilbert-Ross
25/05/2018	Otis	Bell
25/05/2018	Rahul	Kalra
25/05/2018	Raina	Burman
25/05/2018	Raphael	Sofer

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

With best wishes

**Mrs Sylvester**  
Headmistress

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