

# HENDON NEWS

18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018

## From the Headmaster:

Dear Parents

One of the considerable benefits of being a member of a global schools group is the opportunity to share pedagogical knowledge and expertise with other school leaders.

This year's Cognita conference in Barcelona focussed on the theme of Mental Health and Well-being, which was universally recognised as a source of concern by all members of our global educational family.

Amongst the many guest speakers, we heard from Anton Musgrave, who styled himself as a Business Strategist and 'Futurist'. Musgrave acknowledged that schools must *futurise* themselves, to prepare for a world where we are always on-line and working alongside smart robots. Musgrave pointed to the evidence that earlier this month New Zealand announced that they had created the first digital teacher; equally, this week, news agencies in the UK reported that a Robot called 'Pepper' from Middlesex University, had spoken with MPs at an *Education Select Committee* about the co-existence of humans in a world of AI.

So what can we do as educationalists and parents to prepare our children for this rapidly changing world which will challenge their mental health and well-being?

Musgrave promoted two key ideas for us to consider as we enter a phase of human development, which he described, as a 'world of super complexity'. Firstly, Musgrave noted that 'the future is not a matter of chance but of choice'. Children must build their own future

(...indeed own brand!) and learn to be more accountable for the lives that they will lead. Musgrave further encouraged characteristics to be cultivated, such as, resilience, accountability, relevance and significantly, to become '*strategic enablers*'. Secondly, just like 'Pepper' the robot, Musgrave encouraged adults to teach children important 'soft skills' such as, empathy, passion, 'awareness' of others and the value of human relationships. Musgrave also introduced a new quotient alongside intellectual (IQ) and emotional (EQ) which he described as: **love (respect) quotient (LQ)**. This concept is promoted by such entrepreneurs like Jack Ma, the founder of Alibaba.com who fundamentally still believes in the power of human relationships in an age of AI. Equally, it is worth noting that the technology giant **Google** in 2012 examined the key qualities that make for effective teams in research they called *Project Aristotle*, not surprisingly the findings were based on good human qualities and strong mental health (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eHJN6rAMVQI>).

It is my firmly held belief that as educationalists and parents we have a moral imperative to promote the well-being of our children. We must be positive and educate our children to value our human-ness as a virtue in a technological age. Our children should be encouraged to think that their future is exciting, that they will continue to have relevance and that they can contribute to society in a creative way. Finally, Children should never stop dreaming!

## School News:

- This term Brinsdale House will be supporting the charity Smile Train, who provide training, funding and resources to over 85 countries to provide cleft repair to millions of children all over the world.

How can we help make a difference?

Well pennies can change a child's life forever and bring a permanent smile to their face. We would like you to bring in spare change, ask your friends and family to donate any change they have. Our aim is to collect as much change as possible to cover a large smiley emoji in the school hall on Friday 9th November 2018.

Please bring your change in a small bag or envelope.

Let's see if we can raise a minimum of £150 the cost of one cleft surgery.

If you would like to know any more information or have any questions regarding this event. Please speak to one of the teachers in Brinsdale House.

Thank you for your generous donations and let's make a difference together.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Randeri- Dey**

- Pupils in years 3, 4 and 5 who would like to play in the next Tea Time Concert on 27th November, please let Ms Dawson know as soon as possible, and no later than 13th November.

L. Dawson (Ms)

**Head of Music**

## REMINDER DATES:

- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> : Pupils' Progress Reports

### HALF TERM – USUAL DISMISSAL TIMES

- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> : HPPG Movie Night: School Hall 4pm to 7pm

### MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER: BACK TO SCHOOL

- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> : Football: Boys U9 7 a side Hendon v St Anthony's Prep School
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> : Parents Evening:  
Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> : Anti-Bullying Week
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> : Primary Maths Challenge
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> : 5D Assembly: 8.40am  
Parents Evening:  
Year 3, Year 5, Year 7 & Year 8
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> : World Philosophy Day  
Freshwater Theatre visit Year 1: Magical Toy Museum
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> : BBC Children in Need: Own Clothes day  
Football: U11 & U9 Boys: Hendon v Dwight School  
HPPG Cake Sale: 3.30pm

## HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK:

Year 5 had a fantastic day at The National Theatre with Mr Chapman, Mrs Ford and Miss Dos Santos. They enjoyed a tour of The Olivier, including backstage, and even tried on some costumes!

*“This has been the best day ever! We have seen parts of the theatre we don’t usually see.”* Wilson, 5D



## Next Week’s Lunch Menu:



### MONDAY

**Dish of the Day**  
Piri-Piri Chicken

**Vegetarian Option**  
Stuffed Pepper with Savoury Rice

**Side Dish**  
Boiled Rice  
Garden Peas  
Coleslaw

**Jacket Potato**  
BBQ Boston Beans filling

**Salad Bar**  
A range of composite & basic salads

**Pudding**  
Banana & Berry Smoothie  
Yoghurt  
Fresh cut fruit

### TUESDAY

**Dish of the Day**  
Baked Chicken Sausages  
With a Red Onion Gravy

**Vegetarian Option**  
Quorn Sausages with Red Onion Sauce

**Side Dish**  
Mash Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Carrots

**Pasta Bar**  
Tomato & Basil Sauce

**Salad Bar**  
A range of composite & basic salads

**Pudding**  
Yoghurt  
Fresh cut fruit

### WEDNESDAY

**Dish of the Day**  
Lamb Bolognaise Lasagne

**Vegetarian Option**  
Three Cheese Macaroni Bake

**Side Dish**  
Garlic Bread  
Sweetcorn  
Steamed Courgettes

**Jacket Potato**  
Tuna & Sweetcorn filling

**Salad Bar**  
A range of composite & basic salads

**Pudding**  
Sticky Toffee Pudding served with Custard  
Yoghurt  
Fresh cut Fruit

#### Daily Salad Bar

With a selection of home cooked meats and freshly prepared salads

### THURSDAY

**Dish of the Day**  
Roasted Chicken  
With Gravy

**Vegetarian Option**  
Roasted Vegetable Filo Pie

**Side Dish**  
Roast Potatoes  
Medley Vegetables

**Pasta Bar**  
Cream of Chestnut  
Mushroom Sauce

**Salad Bar**  
A range of composite & basic salads

**Pudding**  
Yoghurt  
Fresh Cut Fruit

## THIS WEEK’S MENU

### FRIDAY

**Dish of the Day**  
Pizza  
(Spicy Chicken and Sweetcorn Sauce)

**Vegetarian Option**  
Pizza  
(Vegetable and Margherita)

**Side Dish**  
Chunky Chips  
Garden Salad  
Peas

**Jacket Potato**  
Baked Beans and Cheese

**Salad Bar**  
A range of composite & basic salads

**Pudding**  
Chocolate Krispies Cake  
Yoghurt  
Fresh cut Fruit

