



DULWICH COLLEGE
THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

Dulwich College Junior School
and James Allen's Junior School
Symposium

EMPATHY



A day of fascinating exploration - 27 April 2023

Dulwich College Welcome

Welcome to our seventh **Junior School Academic Enrichment Symposium**. This year, our exploration topic is Empathy. Through varied activities, workshops and speakers, we wish to extend, challenge and enrich the children's learning in a thought-provoking and memorable way. We are delighted to, once again, collaborate with James Allen's Junior School and Dulwich Wood Primary School.

As you will see from the programme, all students will enjoy experiences from subjects across the curriculum: from dance to art, music to science, and philosophy to history, to name a few. This year's theme of 'Empathy' is borne out of how this value is at the core of the Junior School education and experience. It ties in so well with all the free learning weeks we have, especially our DC Identity Awareness Month and all the service learning we have in our curriculum ('learning to serve'). The announcement of this topic has sparked much excitement from students and staff, and we look forward to exploring the myriad of perspectives in this area.

The sessions will be led by teachers and specialists from across the College and James Allen's Junior School and beyond. Here, at Dulwich College Junior School, there will be a wealth of activities for the students to engage with throughout the day. With thanks to the funds from **The Friends of Dulwich College**, we are delighted to welcome Pippa Church who will host a spectacular puppet show through which the pupils will explore the empathy required by a puppeteer, the puppet and the audience.

We know the day will provide wonderful 'free learning' opportunities for the children beyond the curriculum as they work and explore together. We hope that they will be physically and intellectually exhausted from a day which has raised as many questions as it has answered!

Dr Toby Griffiths

Head of Junior School

Ed Wickstead

Deputy Head Pastoral and Operations



Winning entry for Dulwich College:
Zachary Williams, 3L

Colour 2022 Symposium Highlights



Dulwich College Activities

Silent Empathy

How is it possible to fully express empathy with someone who we do not share a language with? There will be no words spoken in this session, with the focus on expressing empathy with our bodies and faces, as well as communicating through codes, drawing and sign language. Miss E. Holroyd



Inside the Mind of a Chameleon



How does a chameleon behave in various environments? What affects its mood? And how do its emotions affect its ability to change its colour? As well as finding out about chameleons, pupils will also find out about tarantulas and their behavioural responses in various scenarios. Dr P. Cue

How to think like a Roman



This workshop will have pupils stepping into the shoes of a Roman. As well as experiencing some daily life activities, including food tasting, they will also touch on the more grizzly aspects of Roman life! Ms F. Cooke

May Kindness Calendar

Pupils will design and create a kindness calendar for the month of May with different acts of kindness and empathy on each of the days. These can be taken home and each event ticked off when complete, and at the end of the month take the time to consider if you feel better as a result of being kind to others. Ms J. Gordon

Take a Line for a Walk

Inspired by the work of Paul Klee, in this session we will 'take a line for a walk', and consider how we can use line, art and form to evoke empathy and emotion through art. Miss R. Northcott



Dance in Someone Else's Shoes

Can you put yourself in someone else's shoes? Together let's find ways to connect, listen, understand and move with one another. Miss C. Ibbotson

Empathetic Photography

This workshop will explore the work of famous photographers and the ways in which they demonstrate empathy in their photographs. As a conclusion we will take our own 'empathetic' photographs using a polaroid camera. Mr P. Whibley

Composing Emotions

A music technology workshop using GarageBand, in the workshop the pupils will compose short pieces of music that represent a range of different emotions. Miss J. Wilcox



What Feelings Do When No One's Looking



Based on the book, 'What Feelings Do When No One's Looking', this workshop will focus the mind on how we can convey various emotions through illustrations. This stunning, charming and brilliantly inventive picture book about the feelings that live inside us is sure to provoke many fascinating conversations - curiosity climbs to the highest branch of a tree or joy bounces on a trampoline.

Ms J. Green

Characters and Kindness

Empathy is our superpower. In this practical workshop we will be looking at several stories to see how and why characters develop empathy and how it changes them. "If you want to become empathetic you've got to put yourself in someone's else's shoes. How to you do that?.. through reading." Kwame Alexander, poet and educator. Mrs H. Forbes

Empathy in Sport

When does empathy rise above the competitive nature of the sporting world? Explore instances when the compulsion to help others supersedes the desire to win. Mr P. Wadhams

Puppetry



As a puppeteer, you aim to convey an emotion through the actions and expressions of your puppet. As a member of an audience, you have to interpret this messaging. Puppetry is all about empathy and there will be various workshops where pupils have to collaborate so that their puppet can 'perform' as they desire. Ms P. Church

Inside Out



Disney Pixar's movie, 'Inside Out', shares a story of a young girl (called Riley) whose emotions change as she moves to a new city and grows up. In this session, we will watch sections of Inside Out and discuss how Riley's emotions come to life. By looking at Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness we will discuss how, if we knew the inner workings of people's emotions, would we react differently to people experiencing different situations. Miss R. Doherty

Understanding Differences

There are billions of people in the world and each one is entirely unique. In this session, we will learn about some of the challenges people with visible and invisible disabilities face in the world today and how we can all play a part in creating a respectful, understanding and empathetic society. Miss S. Robinson

Sample plan for the day for a **Year 4 child** at Dulwich College

8.35-9.15 Registration and Form period

9.15 JAGS and Dulwich Wood arrive

9.20 -9.45 Puppeteer opening performance

9.50- 10.40 Composing Emotions

10.30-10.55 B R E A K

11.15-12.05 Empathetic Photography

12.00-12.40 L U N C H B R E A K

12.45-1.35 Problem Pages

1.40-2.30 Expressions in Clay

2.30 JAGS and Dulwich Wood pupils depart

14.45-15.15 B R E A K

Sample plan for the day for a **Year 6 child** at Dulwich College

8.35-9.15 Registration and Form Period

9.15 JAGS and Dulwich Wood pupils arrive

9.20-9.45 Puppeteer opening performance

9.50-10.40 Dance in Someone Else's Shoes

10.30-10.55 BREAK

11.15-12.05 'What feelings do when no one is looking'

12.05-12.40 LUNCH BREAK

12.45-1.35 Take a Line for a Walk

1.40-2.30 Choice Chambers

2.40 JAGS and Dulwich Wood pupils depart

2.40-3.15 BREAK

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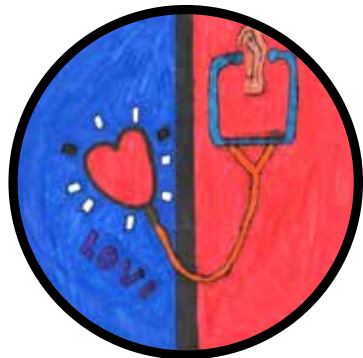
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Nikita Sanzhar, 6J



Oscar Backen, 4D



Reuben Luo, 4W



Tommy Howard, 4G



Aidan Brown, 3A

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James Allen's Junior School Welcome

Welcome to the Junior Symposium 2023!

The theme this year is 'Empathy' and we look forward to a range of activities, talks and workshops designed to spark curiosity, generate inquiry and enable collaboration. Led by our teachers and visiting specialists, pupils from Dulwich College Junior School, Dulwich Wood Primary School and JAGS Junior School will work together to explore the meaning of empathy.

We are delighted to welcome Penny Chrimes, author of *The Dragon And Her Boy* and *Tiger Heart*, to talk about viewing life from the perspective of another. We will also be joined by the actor Matthew Whitchurch who will be leading empathy-related drama workshops. Pupils will also have the opportunity to look at and handle minibeasts as they explore empathy around animals. We look forward to a fantastic day of learning, in partnership with local schools.

We thank Rhys Johnston (JAGS Prep, Deputy Head - Academic) for organising this inspiring day and we thank all the staff who will be supporting to make this a very enjoyable event.

Victoria Goodson,

Head of Junior School, JAGS.



Winning Entry for James Allen's Junior School:
Nell Rendel, 4K

Colour 2022 Symposium Highlights



James Allen's Junior School Activities

Dramatic Empathy

We are delighted to welcome actor Matthew Whitchurch who has appeared in *Call the Midwife*, *Doctors*, *Casualty* and *The Outcast*. In this session you will engage in a number of empathy related drama games and understand the nuance of reading other people and how other people feel.

Should you really 'do as you would be done by'?

In this session you will understand the difference between 'do as you would be done by' and 'do as they would wish to be done by' and have the opportunity to win some prizes.

No Money Day

In this session, we will explore what it feels like to have no money to buy enough food to feed your family. We will also investigate how and why people use foodbanks and the important role they play in the lives of many people throughout the UK. Mrs Walsh

Wheel of Emotions



In this session you will be using Plutchik's Emotion Wheel, which has simplified and colour-coded the emotions based on the Zones of Regulation. Even though there are actually about 34,000 different human emotions, you can use this emotion wheel as a starting point to help expand your emotive vocabulary. Being able to recognise emotions is important.

Colours in nature



This session will involve discussing emotions and conversations to support recognising and supporting others with identified emotions.
Mr Earnshaw

Empathy: What's the Science behind it?

An immersive session exploring the Science behind the effects of empathy on the human brain followed by the creation of our own feelings jars to take home and share our learning with our family and friends. Ms Bannon

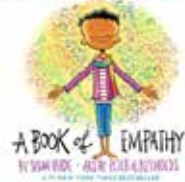
Emojis

Investigate different words used for different feelings and create your own emoji! Ms Hardless



I am Human

I AM HUMAN



This session is based around the book *I am Human* by Susan Verde where you will uncover the meaning of empathy and will make colourful bracelets or key chains representing different emotions. Mrs Johnson

Rookie Life Guard

The Rookie Lifeguard Programme is a fun and exciting lifesaving awards scheme for young children, teaching self rescue, survival, EMPATHY, rescue and lifesaving sport skills. Mr Saliba



Coded Empathy

Come and code some empathy activities!
Mrs Miller

Visiting Author

We welcome author Penny Chrimes who is our Empathy Day opening speaker. Penny will be working with some groups through workshops based on empathy

Empathy and Animals



Explore hermit crabs, chameleons, hissing cockroaches, praying mantis, frogs, newts, snakes, bearded dragons, scorpions, giant millipedes, beetles, giant snails, geckos, hedgehogs, stick insects and more with Wiggly Wild!

Sample plan for a Year 3 child at JAGS

8.45-9.20 Form Time

9.25-10.05 Group Assembly – Author Penny Grimes

10.05-10.55 Hungry Hippos

10.55-11.15 BREAK

11.15-12.05 Wheel of Emotions

12.10-1.00 LUNCH BREAK

1.00-1.55 Empathy and Animals

1.55-2.10 BREAK

2.10 -3.00 I am Human

3.00 DC depart

Sample plan for a Year 5 child at JAGS

8.45-9.20 Form Time

9.25-10.05 Group Assembly – Author Penny Grimes

10.05-10.55 No Money Day

10.55-11.15 BREAK

11.15-12.05 Coded Empathy

12.10-1.00 LUNCH BREAK

1.05-1.55 Multiplication Mash-up

1.55-2.10 BREAK

2.10 -3.00 Conversation Cubes

3.00 DC depart

James Allen's Junior School Highly Commended



Sophie McCrossen, 4E



Annabel Michaels, 5G



Gwendolyn Taylor, 6M



Eva Hawkins, 5H



Zoya Mostofi, 3W



Kyleen Lau, 3J