



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you your on-going support this year and throughout the challenging circumstances the pandemic has presented. We continue to have high expectations of what our pupils can achieve and we are looking forward to a return to in school learning for all pupils in September.

We will be setting tasks to support children's learning during the long summer break so that children come back as ready as possible for a new academic year. Please support us by making sure that, as well as getting out and about and enjoying themselves, children also read regularly, learn their times tables and complete the tasks that are set.

You will have received notification of the date and time you can access school to pick up the letter informing you of new classes, to collect your child's work books from this year and to say goodbye to the current class teacher. These scheduled events will take place in the playground and with social distancing in place. Please make time to speak to your child about their transition to a new year group and teacher. There will be details of the full staffing for 2020/21 in the first newsletter of the Autumn term for your information.

Our Year 6 children are leaving under unusual circumstances this year. We will be very sad to see them go, with many of them having been at our school since Reception and we wish them every success at secondary school. The Year 6 teaching team are working hard to provide an alternative end of year finale, keep a look out for the details!

Over the summer holiday we will continue to provide free school meal hampers to families. Hampers need to be booked in advance for all three scheduled dates. The school office should have contacted you but if you are unsure, please call before the end of term to confirm.

Enjoy the long Summer break, term finishes on Friday 17th July and children return on **Monday 7th September 2020. A letter will be sent to you next week detailing arrangements for return.**

Best wishes,

Ms Rachel Adams
Headteacher

Ms Rachel Davie
Executive Headteacher

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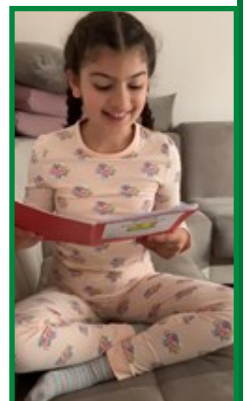
This week we have been celebrating Hispanic Day both in school and at home. This year the focus has been on Hispanic art. The children had many opportunities to practise their Spanish vocabulary as well as learn about the culture.

Children undertook a range of craft activities. Year 1 created mosaic pictures in the style of the artist, Gaudi. They made colourful representations of lizards, the Sagrada Familia Cathedral and Flamenco dancers. Years 2 and 3 made mini confetti piñatas whilst Year 4 and 5 were introduced to rock art. Year 6 enjoyed making beautiful dream-catcher-looking creations through the skill of weaving!



HOME LEARNING UPDATE

Children have continued to send in photos and videos of their home learning tasks. Reading continues to be a popular, daily activity. However, a wide range of curriculum subjects are being covered including RE. Ella sent us a fantastic presentation on Zakat and the benefits of generosity, a very admirable action at this most difficult of times. Please keep sending in your work!



HEALTHY LIVING WEEK AND SPORTS' DAY



Last week was Healthy Living Week and it took on a very different feel to our usual enrichment week. This year's theme was famous sportspeople such as Mo Farah and Nicola Adams. After weeks in lockdown, it felt good to reevaluate our health and fitness levels and be inspired by top athletes! The children in school enjoyed a number of activities such as tennis and included a daily 15-minute Joe Wicks exercise activity. On Sports Day children engaged in a range of non-contact activities such as star jumping. Whilst at home, a virtual Sports Day challenge was set. Thank you to all children who sent in photos and videos.



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HOW TO KEEP BUSY THIS SUMMER!

This summer it is so important for our children to keep their minds and bodies active until school restarts on the 7th September. The vast majority of Hackney parks remain open. Park play areas will be re-opening from Wednesday 8th July and outdoor gyms will reopen on a phased basis between the 8th and 15th July.

Hackney Parks with Play Areas

Clissold Park, De Beauvoir Square, Haggerston Park, London Fields, Shoreditch Park, Victoria Park, Shepherdess Walk, Woodberry Down Park

Adventure Playgrounds

Apples and Pears Adventure Playground, Evergreen Adventure Playground, Shoreditch Adventure Playground, Kidsactive Adventure Playground, Homerton Grove Adventure Playground

Museums In London

The National Gallery, Royal Airforce Museum

Key Dates

Autumn Term 2020

Children's Start Date: Monday 7th September
Half Term Holiday: Monday 26th - Friday 30th October
Children Start Date: Monday 2nd November
Parents Evening: Thursday 10th December
Finish Date: Friday 18th December at 2pm

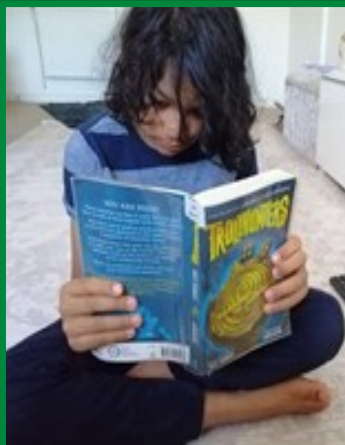
Spring Term 2021

Staff Training Day: Monday 4th January
Children's Start Date: Tuesday 5th January
Work & Enterprise Week: Week beginning 18th January
Half Term Holiday: Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February
Children's Start Date: Monday 22nd February
Science & Technology Day (with Science Fair): Friday 19th March
Parents Evening: Thursday 25th March
End of Term Finish Date: Thursday 1st April at 2pm

Summer Term 2021

Children's Start Date: Monday 19th April 2021
Families' Week: Starts Monday 26th April 2021
Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2021
Half Term Holiday: Monday 31st May 2021 – Friday 4th June 2021
Children Start Date: Monday 7th June 2021
Staff Training Day: Friday 25th June 2021
Keeping Healthy Week (including sports day): Starts Monday 28th June 2021
Parents Evening: Thursday 8th July 2021
End of Term Finish Date: Thursday 22nd July at 2pm
Staff Training Day: Friday 23rd July 2021

BUT DON'T FORGET TO READ!



The Summer Reading Challenge is delivered by local, public libraries and funded by Arts Council England. The Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays. This year, the Summer Reading Challenge's Silly Squad will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. Children taking part in the Challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck into all sorts of funny books!



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