



Hoxton Garden Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

Friday 22nd October 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week at Hoxton Garden we celebrated World Week and Democracy Day. World Week celebrates the diversity within our partnership of schools and creates opportunities to explore relevant global issues and for children to gain an understanding of themselves as global citizens. We were very excited to welcome flag dancers, Capoeira dancers, Bengali musicians, Kente Cloth artists, African drummers and Balinese story tellers into school to run workshops with children. We also elected the new members of our school pupil council, who meet weekly. Thank you all for your support during our day of international dress and also for joining us for our international evening, where so many parents were kind enough to contribute dishes from across the globe. Please do look at our 'proud to be' community video on our website which was made during World Week and celebrates the many different cultures that make up our family of three schools!

As the weather changes across the next few weeks, children will be bringing more items to school including hats and gloves as well as coats and jumpers. Please make sure that your children's things, even distinctive items, are named to give us the best chance of your children being reunited with any lost property.

During the first few weeks of the school year we have continued to ensure a focus on key skills such as reading confidently and with understanding as well as knowledge of key maths skills such as essential confidence in times tables recall. Please support us by making sure that children practise these at home by using Mathletics and Timestable Rockstars. You will also have received the half term holiday project information to support children in getting ready for the new half term of learning and we look forward to seeing the creative outcomes worked on at home when children return!

The first half term has gone by very quickly, with school breaking up for half term today, **Friday 22nd October**. Children return on **Monday 1st November 2021**. It is very important pupils arrive promptly to school at **8.55am** to ensure they do not miss the beginning of the school day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Rachel Adams
Headteacher

Ms Rachel Davie
Executive Headteacher

CHOIR FUN

Our KS2 choir sessions take place each week. Children enjoy an upbeat and lively session focusing on a breadth of songs. Children are enjoying warming up their voices by singing



through the 'Mama Bella' round. They are currently learning to sing 'It's going to be a great day' and 'Fireworks'. Thank you to Ms Isik for her musical direction!

WARTIME WORKSHOP

Year 6 have visited RAF Hendon to support their history lessons on World War II. The children participated in a workshop experiencing what it would have been like to be a pupil in a wartime classroom, complete with a strict teacher, arithmetic and an air raid! Modern day school is much better!



YEAR 5 NETBALL

Year 5 are taking part in a series of netball coaching sessions. They are learning a range of passing techniques. The children were also able



to take part in a game towards the end of the first session. All children were very enthusiastic and it was great to hear positive feedback from the coaches, well done team!



PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE AT SCHOOL ON TIME SO THAT CLASSES ARE NOT INTERRUPTED.



WORLD WEEK 2021 IN PICTURES!



PARENT DATES

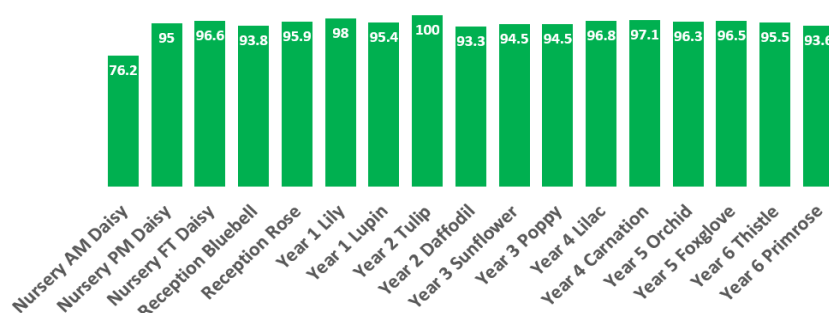
All parents are also invited to drop into our workshop sessions which are held in the lower hall at 9:15am on Friday. These are an opportunity to meet with other parents and get some practical tips on how to support your child with their learning from home.

Date	Focus
Friday 5 th November	Phonics and handwriting: How can I help my child to learn to read? How can improve my child's handwriting?
Friday 12 th November	Wellbeing: What does mental wellbeing mean and how do I speak to my child about this?
Friday 19 th November	Art: How do I find inspiration for creative art projects at home on a budget?
Friday 26 th November	ICT: What apps does my child use in school?
Friday 3 rd December	Christmas Holiday Activities: What activities can we try in the holidays and what local places can we visit?

ATTENDANCE

Coming to school everyday makes a real difference!
Whole school attendance for last week was 95.5% **Well done to Tulip Class** the weekly winners with **100%**.

11th to 15th October 2021



Key Dates

Autumn Term 2021

Bring a Dad/Significant Male to School Day: Wednesday 29th September 2021

World Week & Democracy Day: Monday 11th October 2021 – Friday 15th October 2021

Half Term Holiday: Monday 25th October 2021 - Friday 29th October 2021

Children Start Date: Monday 1st November 2021
Parents Evening: Thursday 9th December 2021

End of Term Finish Date: Friday 17th December 2021 at 2pm

Children Start Date: Tuesday 4th January 2022

Work and Enterprise Week: 24th January 2022

Safer Internet Day: Wednesday 9th February 2022

Half Term Holiday: Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February 2022

Childrens Start date: Monday 21st February 2022
World Book Day: Thursday 3rd March 2022

Parents Evening: Thursday 24th March 2022

End of Term Finish Date: Friday 1st April 2022 at 2pm

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