



# Hoxton Garden Primary School

# HIGHLIGHTS

Friday 4th February 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have lots of exciting news and events to share with you from the last two weeks. Although reading, writing and counting will always be a central part of what we teach we are also keen that our pupils receive a wide and rich curriculum which inspires learning in other areas and teaches other life skills too. During Work Week, children found out about different aspects of the world of work. Some year groups found out what it's like to work in the community as a doctor or a fire fighter, while others were thinking about why people work at all – so they can earn money. The 'job' for all children was to find out as much as they could about the world of work. All children went on a visit related to their theme of the week or had a visitor from someone within their year group theme. Do look on our social media for news items!

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 will be celebrated with the theme 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online' and the school has a spotlight day planned for Wednesday 9th February 2022.

We aim to change home reading books at least once a week (more often for younger children). Returning home readers to school will help us to do this and make sure that children have a wide selection of books to choose from. Please could you check at home for any school home reading books that have not been returned and pop them in your children's book bags or give them directly to any member of staff. As you know, children are expected to know all of their multiplication tables by the end of Year 4 and they benefit hugely from any help that you can give from home. We have given all children in Years 3 to 6 a password to access the online programme to help them learn their times tables called Times Table Rock Stars. Please encourage them to use this, as well as practise with you when you see the opportunity.

Thank you for your support.

Ms Rachel Adams  
Headteacher

Ms Rachel Davie  
Executive Headteacher

## DUAL STORY TIME

On Friday, Halime's mummy stayed after parent reading and read to the children in Turkish whilst Ms Fahmida read the same story in English. The children enjoyed listening to the story in both

languages. They celebrated the languages we speak in our community. Some children identified the language they speak at home. Wow!



## TFL WORKSHOP

This week Year 6 participated in an online Tfl workshop, learning about safety on public transport as well as gaining top tips for using the transport network efficiently around London. Our children are getting ready for Year 7!



## OFFICER MURPHY



Thank you to Officer Murphy for coming in and talking to our Reception classes about what the police do and how they keep our streets safe. The children prepared and asked a lot of interesting questions about the work of a police officer. We hope to see Officer Murphy out and about!

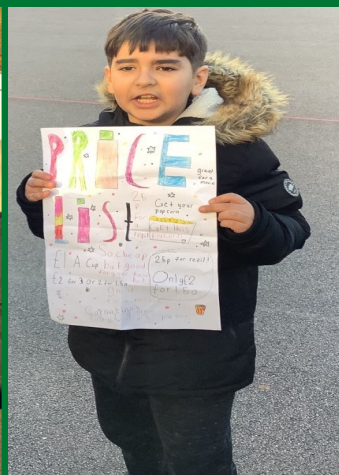
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**SCHOOL STARTS AT 8:55AM AND LEARNING STARTS STRAIGHT AWAY. BE ON TIME AT FIVE TO NINE!**

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# ENTERPRISE FAIR!

Last week we celebrated Enterprise and Work Week. All classes had the opportunity to design, pitch and sell a class product such as bracelets and cakes. Well to Year 5 for making the most profit, earning a whopping £45.50. All classes will use their profits to buy classroom resources.



## COFFEE MORNINGS

Our coffee mornings take place each Friday at 9.15am in the Lower Hall. Please drop in for a coffee and a conversation!

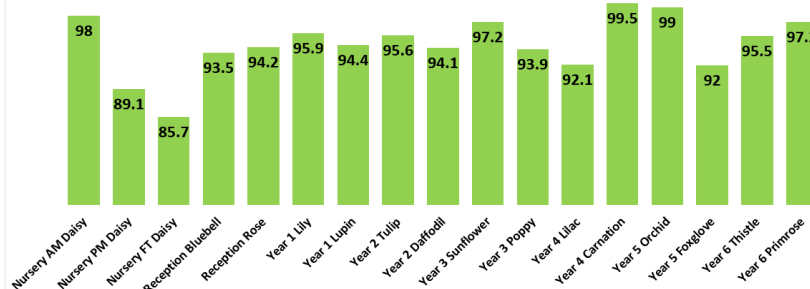
Date	Focus
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Online safety:</b> How to support my child to use digital technologies safely, positively and responsibly? (Safer Internet Day parent workshop for KS2 parents only)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Family team building:</b> What games can I play at home to develop resilience and confidence?
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Physical Education:</b> How does sport benefit your child? How can you get involved with sports in school?
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Science:</b> What exciting experiments can I try with my child at home?
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Unconscious bias:</b> How can I ensure I tackle unconscious bias in myself and others?
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Easter Holiday Activities:</b> What activities can we try in the holidays and what local places can we visit?
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Parent Coffee Morning &amp; /Reading Celebration Event</b>

The PTA are also hosting a **Valentines Bake Sale** after school on **Thursday 10th February**. Any parents/carers who are entering the school councils Bake Off competition, please remember to drop off your cakes by 1pm for judging. If you wish to contribute, please let a member of the office team know!

## ATTENDANCE

Coming to school everyday makes a real difference!  
Whole school attendance for last week was 95.1%  
**Well done to Carnation Class, the weekly winners with 99.5%.**

24th January to 28th January



## Key Dates

### Spring Term 2022

**Children's 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

**Children's 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

### Summer Term 2022

**Easter Monday:** Monday 18th April 2022

**Children's Start Date:** Tuesday 19th April 2022

**Families' Week:** Starts Monday 25th April 2022

**Bank Holiday:** Monday 2nd May 2022  
**Science & Technology Day** (with Science Fair): Monday 23rd May 2022

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 30th May 2022 – Friday 3rd June 2022

**Children's Start Date:** Monday 6th June 2022

**Staff Training Day:** Friday 24th June 2022

**Keeping Healthy Week** (including sports day): Starts Monday 27th June 2022

**Parents Evening:** Thursday 7th July 2022

**End of Term Finish Date:** Thursday 21st July 2022 at 2pm

**Staff Training Day:** Friday 22nd July 2022

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