



# Hoxton Garden Primary School

# HIGHLIGHTS

Friday 22nd April 2022

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week since we returned from the Easter break. This week classes across the school have celebrated the holiday homework projects which have been completed in preparation for new learning this half term. As part of our teaching pedagogy we regularly revisit prior learning in order to help children make connections and to know more and remember more over time, this includes reviewing the research children have done outside of school as well as revisiting learning covered in previous school years. Thank you for the time and support given to your child in undertaking the homework set!

Enrichment happens across the curriculum and provides opportunities to develop independent learning skills as well as celebrating specific curriculum focus areas. Next week we will be celebrating Families' Week and will be looking at the different types of family make up. We have linked the week with the key themes of love, respect, tolerance and belonging. In this week, we will be using some of the resources from Stonewall. Celebrating and acknowledging the different types of families is crucial to helping children develop empathy and value others. Later this term we will also be holding our Science Day, rescheduled from the Spring Term and in June our Keeping Healthy Week with a focus on physical and mental health.

Pupil voice is a key feature of our school and, as you have seen from previous newsletters, we think it is very important that children are given a platform to know how to raise their issues. A particular success has been joining up our pupil teams for meetings across our three school sites (and three Hackney post codes) including our School Councillors, Peer Mediators and Eco Team. Our Eco Team have recently hosted a sustainability event which 20 schools in Hackney attended. They were very impressed that Viridis Schools are the ONLY schools in Hackney to currently hold the Eco Schools Green Flag Award!

Thank you for your support.

Ms Rachel Adams  
Headteacher

Ms Rachel Davie  
Executive Headteacher

## MATILDA!

A group of KS2 children had the opportunity to take part in a workshop audition for Matilda, The Musical. Working alongside the director and

choreographer, they learned and performed a song. Congratulations to the four children who have made it through to the next round of auditions! Good luck!



## DEBATE MATE NEWS

Our Debate Mate team from years 5 and 6 enjoyed participating in the Urban Debate League, round 2. Developing such skills is a very effective method of preparing and motivating children for higher education and the world of work. The motion was 'This house would send all children to boarding school'. They did very well and won round 1. Well done!



## SUPPORT A SUPERHAIRO

We are so very proud of Serena in year 6 who has donated her (very long) hair to the Little Princess Trust to make wigs for children and young people experiencing the devastating effects of hair loss. This is an incredible act of kindness.



WE ARE A SMART SCHOOL  
BLACK SCHOOL SHOES NOT TRAINERS TO SCHOOL PLEASE!



## PARENT ASSEMBLY

## GREEN TEAM ASSEMBLY

In a special assembly, we showed appreciation for our many parents who regularly attend our lower school parent reading sessions. Reading books aloud to children stimulates their imagination and expands



their understanding of the world. It helps them develop both language and listening skills. If you would like to join in please come along between 8:55 and 9:15am each Friday. Such fun!



As part of the Great Big School Clean, the Green Team at Hoxton Garden presented two assemblies to their peers. They shared ideas on how and why we should look after the environment by not Littering, encouraging others to participate by picking up litter and reminding their parents/carers to do the same.

## COFFEE MORNINGS AND EVENTS

Coffee mornings run in the lower hall at 9:15am on Friday mornings. We hope that you can make time to drop in and join us.

Tea, coffee and biscuits are all provided!

Date	Focus
<b>25th-29th April Families Week</b>	Wednesday 27th April – Bring a mum/significant female to school Friday 29th April – Grandparents afternoon tea
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Humanities:</b> How can parents support the enrichment of Humanities?
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Reading:</b> How can I support my child in learning to read?
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>PSHCE:</b> How do we celebrate diversity through our curriculum?
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Maths:</b> How can I support my child to learn times tables?

## ATTENDANCE

Coming to school everyday makes a real difference!  
Whole school attendance for last week was 95.1%  
**Well done to Nursery FT, the weekly winners with 100%.**

28th March to 1st April 2022



## Key Dates

### 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

### Autumn Term 2022

**Staff Training Day:** Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September

**Children's Start Date:** Monday 5th September

**Meet the Teacher:** Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th September 2022

**Bring a Dad/Significant Male to School Day:** Wednesday 28th September 2022

**World Week & Democracy Day:** Monday 17th October 2021 – Friday 21st October 2022

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 24th October 2022 – Friday 28th October 2022

**Children Start Date:** Monday 31st October 2022

**Parents Evening:** Thursday 8th December 2022

**End of Term Finish Date:** Friday 16th December 2022 at 2pm

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