



Hoxton Garden
Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

Friday 6th May 2022

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Dear **Parents and Carers**,

Last week we celebrated Families' Week and children learnt about the different family structures in our modern society. Children had the opportunity to discuss how some families have a mum and a dad, some live-in single parent families, some have foster parents, some live with their grandparents and some have same-sex parents. The focus of the week was to show the children that as long as the family environment is a loving one it does not matter how it is structured. A huge thank you to our wonderful community for attending the grandparent afternoon tea and 'significant females' for joining classroom learning sessions.

Next week Year 6 pupils undertake their important Key Stage 2 tests. Parents of Year 6 children can help during this week by making sure that children get a good sleep and that they get to school in good time. We are offering all Year 6 children a breakfast so that they can meet with their friends and relax before the tests start. They have worked hard to be ready and this is an opportunity to show all that they have learned during their primary education. Good luck and do your best Year 6! In the week before half term we also take the opportunity to undertake termly assessments of all children in Years 1 to 5 in reading, writing and maths to see the progress that has been made and organise any additional support that might be needed. You will receive an update on this in the termly report that you receive at parents evening in July.

As the weather warms up children take off their jumpers and they sometimes get lost or left behind. Whilst we cannot take responsibility for lost uniform we will always do our best to remind children to pick up their jumpers and to help find lost items. To support us in this, please make sure that all uniform is labeled with both a first name and surname. Our schools continue to look very smart and we very much want our children to feel a sense of pride. Please ensure that they are wearing the correct uniform including black school shoes and by wearing trousers not jogging bottoms. We also expect children to bring a PE kit which is a plain white t shirt and black shorts.

Thank you for your support.

Ms Rachel Adams
Headteacher

Ms Rachel Davie
Executive Headteacher

OUR SAMBA BAND

Our percussion/samba club have been exploring the Djembe and played various rhythms on the Djembe. They also sang and played songs from West Africa and had a chance to improvise our own rhythms. Sounded great!



COFFEE MORNING FUN



Coffee mornings are proving to be very busy and fun whilst being useful to our parents. Why not join us?



ECO NEWS!

As a part of the Great Big School Clean, the Green Team and children in Primrose Class really enjoyed Sarah Roberts reading her new book *Somebody Scrunched Colin*, a book all about a

little crisp bag called Colin who has been blown by the breeze all across the land. Sarah also spoke of her work as an eco journalist and all of the exciting places in the world she has visited. She once was a grizzly bear tour guide and wrestled with a huge fish! Let's keep Britain tidy!



FAMILIES' WEEK IN PHOTOS



COFFEE MORNINGS AND EVENTS

As well as our **Friday morning stay and read** sessions for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, all parents are invited to drop into our sessions on various themes which are held in the hall on the ground floor at 9:15am.

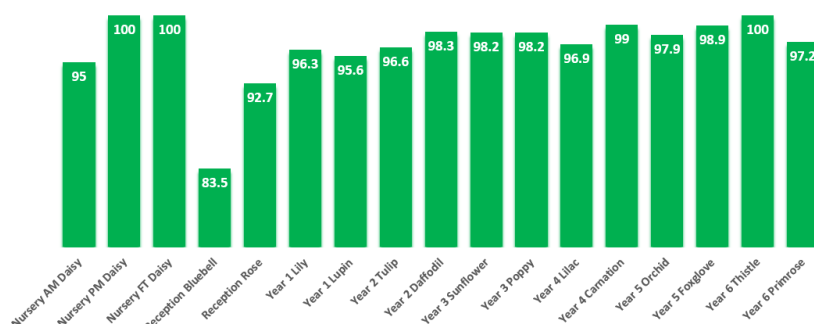
Date	Focus
Friday 13th May	Reading: How can I support my child in learning to read?
Friday 20th May	PSHCE: How do we celebrate diversity through our curriculum?
Friday 27th May	Maths: How can I support my child to learn times tables?

We have a number of events lined up for later this term including a sports day, our Viridis Federation music concert at Hackney Round Chapel, class celebration assemblies and the Year 6 leavers production in the final week of term. Please look out for further announcements in this newsletter, on posters around the school as well as on our website and Twitter.

ATTENDANCE

Coming to school everyday makes a real difference!
Whole school attendance for last week was 96.1%
Well done to Thistle Class the weekly winners with **100%**.

25th to 29th April



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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