



Hoxton Garden

Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

17th March 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Making sure that everybody is safe is always a very high priority in our schools. We have regular lesson themes on safety including keeping safe online, being safe in the community, water safety and road safety. Please help us by making sure that you show your children how to cross the road safely by using the crossings and showing them how to stop and check both ways for traffic before and whilst crossing. This way you can be more confident that they will do the same when you are not with them.

A daily healthy lunch will make sure that children can get all the vitamins and energy they need to learn without getting tired in the afternoon. If your child brings a packed lunch please make sure that they have a good balance of fruit and vegetables as well as protein such as meat, cheese or nuts. We do not allow children to have crisps, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks for their lunch as part of our healthy schools' ambition to teach children the importance of a healthy diet. Carrot sticks, raisins, nuts and yoghurts are all good alternatives. Children can also bring a healthy snack for morning break to keep them going.

We have a school uniform to create a sense of belonging to our school as well as to instil a sense of being smart and proud of being part of our school community. To be fair to everyone we insist that all pupils wear our uniform every day and we have tried to keep the costs as low as possible to make sure that it is not a financial burden on parents. A full list of our uniform is available on our website. Please remember that we expect all children to wear black school shoes, not boots or sandals and we do not allow jewellery to be worn for their own safety.

By now you will have received an invitation to make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher at parents' evening on Thursday 23rd March 2023. You can choose appointment slots either using our online system or by calling the school office. We ask that all parents make a commitment to come in so that they can see their child's workbooks and share with them how important learning is. We hope that your child's termly report and termly targets will be useful to you in knowing how you can further support them from home.

We will again be setting creative homework projects during the Easter holidays to prepare for new Summer Term topics. Learning will be continuing up until 2pm on Friday 31st March 2023 when we break for Easter, with school opening for the Summer term on Monday 17th April 2023 at 8.55am.

Ms Rachel Adams - Headteacher | Ms Rachel Davie - Executive Headteacher



Reminder



We are a SMART school. Black shoes and not trainers please!



Home reading diaries and reading books should be brought to school every day!

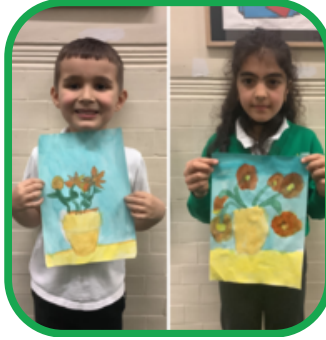
Immersive Theatre Show

EYFS were treated to a visit from the Booster Cushion theatre company who performed a special show called Big Goldilocks and the Three Bears Plus. The children enjoyed participating in the interactive and immersive show which was retold through a massive 6ft tall book complete with pop ups and props coming out of the book.



Inspired by Vincent van Gogh

In Art, Year 2 have been studying the work of Vincent van Gogh and learning all about his style of painting. From this, they have been able further develop their painting skills by using different styles of brush strokes and colour mixing. They have also worked very hard to produce their own amazing outcomes.



Investigating Light

Year 6 have been enjoying learning about light in their science topic this half term. They have particularly enjoyed making model periscopes to investigate how light travels and how mirrors are used to change its direction. This has also helped them investigate how submarine sailors are able to navigate below and above water.





Recommended Reads

Alongside doing an amazing job of enriching the reading culture across our school, our Reading Champions also provide recommended reads in Hackney Services for Schools meetings. We are so proud of them! To view the video, please scan the QR code at the bottom of this page.



Preparing for Summer PE Lessons

In preparation for Summer term PE lessons, the teachers have been testing their physical limits by brushing up on their gymnastics and athletics skills. Forward rolls, javelin and throwing the discus have all been on the menu. They are looking forward to teaching their classes and all of the skills practised.



Key Dates

SPRING TERM 2023

Staff Training Day (SCHOOL CLOSED):
Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Children's Start Date:
Wednesday 4th January 2023

Work & Enterprise Week:
Monday 23rd January - Friday 27th January 2023

Safer Internet Day:
Thursday 9th February 2023

Half-Term Holiday:
Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2023

Children's Start Date:
Monday 20th February 2023

World Book Day (children can dress up):
Wednesday 1st March 2023

Parents' Evening:
Thursday 23rd March 2023

Easter Bonnet Competition (children only):
Friday 31st March 2023

Years 1 & 2 Design & Technology Day:
Tuesday 28th March 2023

EYFS Design & Technology Day:
Wednesday 29th March 2023

Years 3 - 6 Design & Technology Day:
Thursday 30th March 2023

End of Term Finish Date:
Friday 31st March 2023 (SCHOOL CLOSING at 1:45pm)

Coffee Mornings

Parents/Carers are invited to drop into our sessions on various themes which are held in the Dinner Hall at 9:15am on a Friday morning. These are an opportunity to meet with other parents as well as learn more about what the school does and get some practical tips on how to support your child with their learning from home.

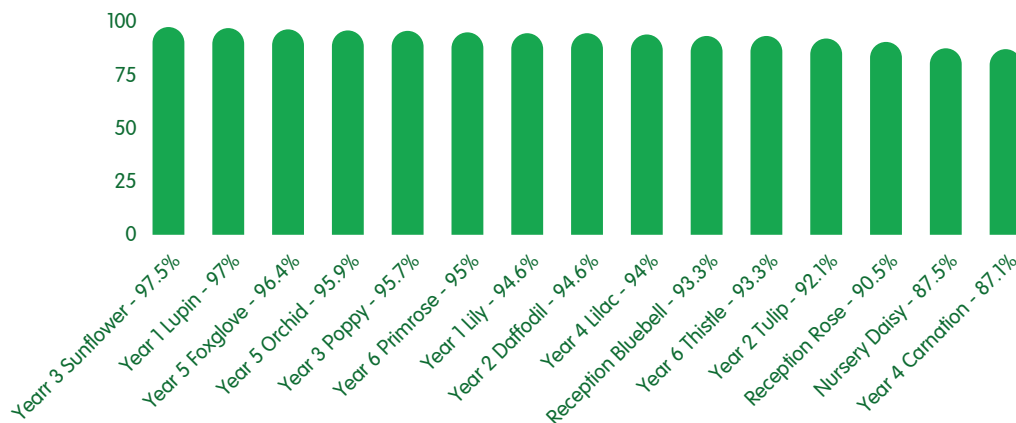
Date	Focus
Friday 24th March	<u>Easter Holiday Activities</u> : What activities can we try in the holidays and what local places can we visit? (Children can attend).
Friday 31st March	Parent Coffee Morning & Reading Celebration Event. (Children can attend).

Attendance

Children have only 190 school days in a year so coming to school every day makes a real difference!

The whole school attendance for the last week was 93.9%.

Well done to Year 3 Sunflower class, the weekly winner with 97.5%.



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Reading Champions
Recommended Reads



SCAN ME

Hackney's Cost of
Living Crisis Guide



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