



# Hoxton Garden

## Primary School

### HIGHLIGHTS

12th May 2023

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#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 children undertook their Key Stage 2 tests this week. They have shown great resilience, maturity and pride. Well done Year 6, we are proud of you!

In the week before half term we will also undertake teacher assessment 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 which is due to take place on Thursday 6th July 2023.

Before the half term, a group of children from the federation undertook the first residential trip abroad since the pandemic. A group of 15 children from Orchard, Southwold and Hoxton Garden travelled to our partner school in Tenerife for a few days, funded by the Erasmus Plus programme. As you can see from the photographs on our website and social media pages, they had an amazing time.

As the weather warms up children take off their jumpers and these can sometimes get lost or left behind. Children move around the school for different lessons such as PE and music as well as visiting the hall for assembly and the playground at break times. 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 labelled with both a first name and surname. Please also check the jumper your child brings home to make sure it is theirs and return it if it has the wrong name!

Our school continues to look very smart and we very much want our children to feel a sense of pride. To support this, please ensure that they wear the correct uniform, which includes black shoes and trousers, not jogging bottoms. We also expect children to bring a PE kit of a white t-shirt and black shorts.

We have a number of events lined up for the Summer Term including a Sports Day, Summer Fayre and our Federation Music Festival in addition to the end of year celebration assemblies and Year 6 leaver events. Dates will be published just before the half term break and will be available on the playground notice boards and website as well as sent home as a flier.

**Ms Rachel Kinder - Headteacher | Ms Rachel Davie - Executive Headteacher**



#### Reminder

**Our online parent calendar can be accessed via the school website. Please check this for all upcoming dates and events.**



**Have a thought you want to share? Our parent comment box can be found in the school office.**



#### Design and Technology

EYFS are thankful and happy that their adults joined them to create arts and crafts related to their literacy core text of 'The 3 Little Pigs'. They all crafted their own little pigs and types of houses using different materials. They were excited to share their creations with their peers and adults.



#### Light and Changes Assembly

Year 1 held an assembly on light and changes to the home. They showed the audience their science experiment which tested for the darkness of a shadow when shining a light through different materials. They did an amazing job of articulating themselves with great confidence. Well done, Year 1!



#### Victorian School Children

Year 4 visited the Ragged School Museum and experienced a Victorian lesson as a poor child in 1869. With the formidable Miss Perkins, they were taught to "be seen and not heard" as well as to sit up straight at all times. The children quickly missed their interactive lessons at Hoxton Garden.



## Carbon Monster Competition

With a vote from all staff at Hoxton Garden, the winning entries for the Carbon Monster competition are below! The winners received a personally signed copy of one of Katherine Wheatley's books. Katherine is an eco author who visited us during earth week.



## Refurbished Library

Children explored the refurbished library for the first time. They identified how the books have been organised, noticing that the 'Curiosity Corner' was packed with inspiring non-fiction texts. Some of them even clambered up to the 'Tower of Tales' to read their newly discovered stories.



## Key Dates

### SUMMER TERM (I) 2023

Earth Day:  
Thursday 20th April 2023

Families Week:  
Monday 24th April - Friday 28th April 2023

Bring a Significant Female to School Day:  
Wednesday 26th April 2023

Grandparent Afternoon Tea:  
Friday 28th April 2023

Early May Bank Holiday:  
Monday 1st May 2023 (SCHOOL CLOSED)

King's Coronation Bank Holiday:  
Monday 8th May 2023 (SCHOOL CLOSED)

KS1 SATs:  
May 2023

KS2 SATs (Year 6 only):  
Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May 2023

Year 1 Class Assembly:  
Wednesday 10th May 2023 at 9:15am

Year 4 Class Assembly:  
Wednesday 17th May 2023 at 9:15am

Year 3 Class Assembly:  
Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 9:15am

Science & Technology Day / Science Fayre:  
Thursday 25th May 2023

INSET DAY:  
Friday 26th May 2023 (SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS)

May Half Term Break:  
Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

## 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.

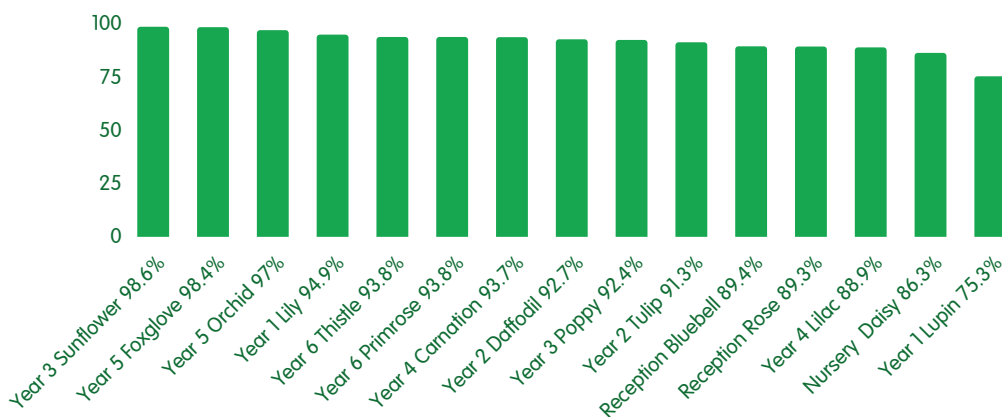
Date	Focus
Friday 19th May	<u>Art</u> : What artistic skills does my child develop in school? (children can attend this coffee morning)

## 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 **95.1%**.

Well done to Year 3 Sunflower class, the weekly winner with **98.6%**.



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Recommended Reads

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