



# Hoxton Garden

## Primary School

### HIGHLIGHTS

14th July 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move towards the end of term, the school has been very busy with events. Our Federation Music Festival, DT Day, Sports Day and Hispanic Day were very successful, thank you for your support, particularly the many parents and family members who came to enjoy sports day with us! We have one week of term left, and we will be continuing with learning activities up to the last day. School closes to pupils on Thursday 20th July at 2pm with the Autumn Term starting on Wednesday 6th September at 8:55am.

We hope that you found your child's end of term report useful and enjoyed looking at the learning in their books during the parent consultation evening. Our pupils have so much to be proud of. Children continue to achieve very well in our schools and this is down to the hard work of children in classrooms, their teachers and of course yourselves in supporting and encouraging children on their learning journey.

We will be setting tasks to support learning during the long summer break so that children come back ready for a new academic year. Please support us by making sure, that as well as relaxing, seeing friends and enjoying themselves, children also read regularly and complete the tasks that are set. By doing so, this enables children to have a smooth transition to their new year group and the new learning.

There will be some changes to staffing at Viridis Schools in September with some staff leaving us at the end of term. Children will meet their new class teacher on Tuesday 18th July and you will receive a letter with the name of the class and class teacher on this day. There will be details of all of the staffing for 2023/24 in the first newsletter of the Autumn Term for your information and this will also be on our school website.

Enjoy the long Summer break, term and we look forward to seeing children return on Wednesday 6th September at 8:55am.

Thank you for all of your support.

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



#### Reminder

Please make sure children read regularly across the school break and complete set holiday tasks. Scan the QR code below to join the Summer Reading Challenge!



Being punctual for school means making sure your child is at school and ready to learn before the bell rings. There are many ways to ensure your child is on time for school, from making sure their school bags are packed the night before to making sure they get up with plenty of time to eat and get ready. Lost minutes mean lost learning. Did you know that being late 15 minutes every day is the same as missing 2 whole weeks of school over a full academic year?



#### Pirates for DT Day

EYFS had an amazing time during DT day. The theme was 'Pirates'. During the day, the children enjoyed creating pirate hats, dressing up as pirates and making numicon and origami pirate ships. Parents and carers also loved participating in the session and everyone was thrilled with their creations.



#### Life-Cycle of a Runner Bean

Year 1 had a great start to their week in the school gardens! They enjoyed looking at the life-cycle of a runner bean from bean, to sprout, to fully grown. Then they all got their watering cans and watered all of the plants. This was hungry work, so they had a quick snack on some of the fresh peas grown at school after.



#### Orienteering Skills

Last week, Year 6 developed their map reading skills during a trip to the Olympic Park. There, they perfected their orienteering skills with the help of maps and compasses. They identified a range of geographical locations and features to then locate some of the different checkpoints on their maps.





## Mini Golf Session

During Keeping Healthy Week, Year 4 took a trip to one of our partnership schools, Southwold to play mini golf. They learned how to play by the rules and were encouraged to take turns while also learning how to win or lose gracefully. They had a lot of fun working in teams and collaborating with peers from across the federation.



## Fire Safety Workshop

The children in KS1 and KS2 had a workshop on fire safety with an educational officer from our local Fire and Rescue Services (London Fire Brigade). The children learnt about what causes fires, and what to do in the event of one taking place. They also learnt about fire prevention methods and practices.



## Key Dates

### SUMMER TERM (2) 2023

Summer Fayre  
Friday 14th July 2023 at 3:30pm (playgrounds)

Year 6 Achievement Assembly  
Monday 17th July 2023 at 2:15pm

Year 6 Celebration Event (pupils only)  
Monday 17th July 2023 at 3:30pm

Children meet their class teacher for September (pupils only)  
Tuesday 18th July 2023 at 2pm

End of Term Finish Date  
Thursday 20th July 2023 at 2pm

INSET Day (school closed to pupils)  
Friday 21st July 2023

Children's Start Date (Years 1 to 6)  
Wednesday 6th September 2023 at 8:55am

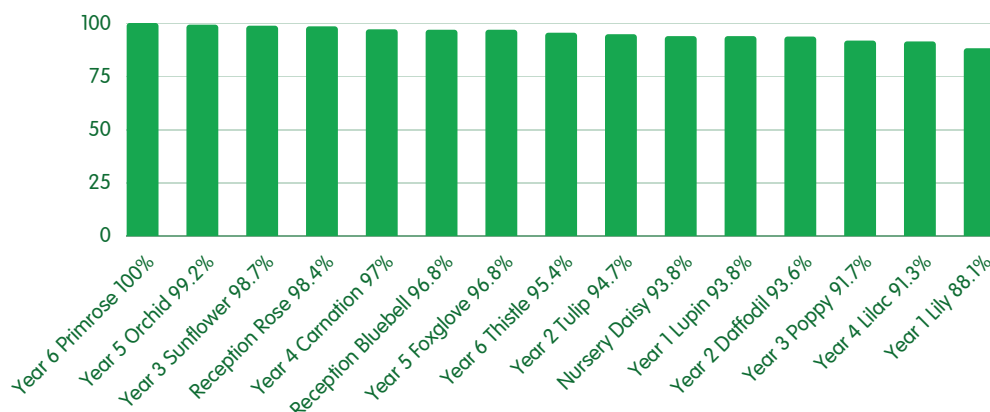
## Attendance

The whole school attendance for the last week was 95%.

Well done to Year 6 Primrose class, last week's winners with 100%.

Attending school every day makes a real difference.

Please remember that **WE DO NOT AUTHORISE HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME** and unauthorised absences may result in a fixed penalty notice being issued.



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