

Hoxton Garden Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

3rd May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we celebrated Families' Week and children learnt about the different family structures in our modern society. We celebrate Families' Week every year in order to create a sense of belonging and have an opportunity to hear everyone's story. 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.

Our Year 6 pupils will undertake their important Key Stage 2 tests starting on the 13th May. 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 labelled 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 shoes and by wearing trousers not jogging bottoms. We also expect children to bring a PE kit of a white t shirt and green shorts.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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Reading Books & Diaries

Please ensure reading books and diaries are brought to school daily.



Scooters & Bikes

Help us keep the entrance ways to our school clear by storing scooters securely in the racks provided.



On The Farm

This week, Reception enjoyed a visit to Spitalfield's City Farm for their topic 'On The Farm'. They learned all about the animals that live there, their habitats and the food that they eat. They were even lucky enough to see all the baby animals that have been born this Spring!



Historic Homes

Year 1 had the opportunity to visit the Museum of the Home to explore different styles of historic houses. They noted some key differences, for example the houses had fires and candles as there was no electricity. They then enjoyed a stroll around the beautiful Georgian gardens.



Ragged School

Year 4 travelled back in time to the Victorian era as they visited the Ragged School Museum. The children immersed themselves in a Victorian classroom, where they were taught by a teacher with strict rules and discipline. The class learnt how lives were different in the Victorian era for children, including lessons in eloquence.





Debate Mate

The Hoxton Garden Debating Team took part in a Debate Mate competition at Queen Mary University. There were many schools participating and the Hoxton team worked hard to fight their corner using a wide range of rebuttals and points of information.



PGL

Year 5 have had a fun filled three days at PGL. Pupils enjoyed the great outdoors and sunshine with activities such as abseiling, water rafting and zip lining! They demonstrated excellent team building and problem solving skills. To unwind in the evening, they toasted marshmallows on a campfire and even enjoyed a disco!



Key Dates

SUMMER TERM 1 (2024)

Year 3 Class Assembly
Wednesday 8th May at 9:15am

KS2 Tests
w/b Monday 13th May

Year 6 Class Assembly
Wednesday 22nd May at 9:15am

Science & Technology Day/Science Fayre
Thursday 23rd May

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. These allow you to meet with other parents as well as to learn more about what the school does and get some practical tips on how to support your child with their learning from home. EYFS Workshops are held separately. Please see the dates below.

Date	Focus
Friday 10th May	<u>Art</u> : What skills does my child learn in Art throughout primary school?
Friday 17th May	<u>MFL</u> : How can I use recall strategies to support language learning? (KSI)
Friday 24th May	<u>Eco-team</u> : How can I encourage my child to care for the environment?
Date	EYFS Workshop
Monday 20th May	<u>SALT</u> : Using technology to support language development

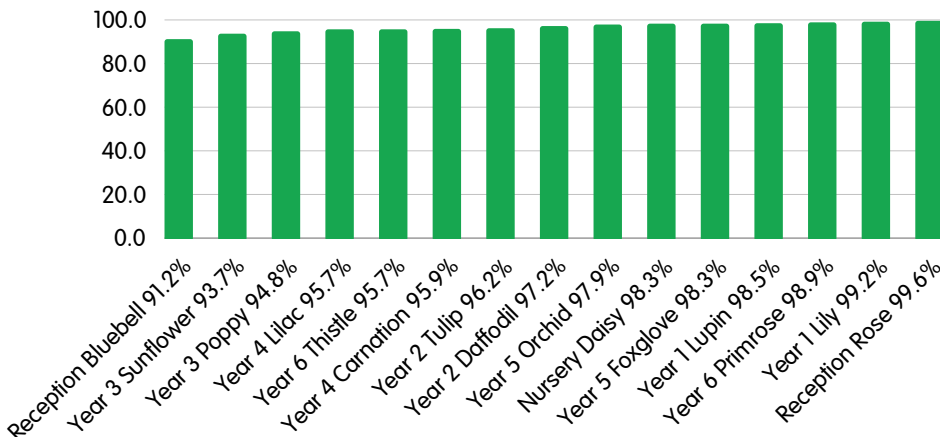
Attendance

The whole school attendance for the last week was 96.6%

Well done to Reception Rose Class, last week's winners with 99.6% attendance.

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.



Term End and Start

The first half of the summer term ends on Friday 24th May 2024, and Summer 2 starts at 8:55am on Monday 3rd June 2024. Please scan the QR code to view our 2024 - 2025 term dates.



School Uniform

Please scan the QR code to order school uniform.



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