



Hoxton Garden

Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

2nd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Summer Term is very busy again this year with celebration assemblies, Year 6 leavers assemblies, secondary school transition days, instrumental concerts, Families Week and Keeping Healthy Week. We look forward to sharing the news with you through this newsletter. We also update our website regularly with news and dates as well as post to our social media channels.

Last week classes across the school celebrated the holiday homework projects which were completed in preparation for the new topics this half term. As part of our teaching pedagogy we regularly revisit prior learning in order to help children make connections and to know more and remember more over time, this includes reviewing the research children have done outside of school as well as revisiting learning covered in previous school years. Thankyou for the time and support given to your child in undertaking the homework set! In recognition of their efforts, all children who completed a holiday homework project will have received a certificate.

Pupil voice is a key feature of our school and, as you have seen from previous newsletters, we think it is very important that children are given a platform to know how to raise their issues and to have a say in how key aspects of our curriculum and enrichment plans are developed. Our pupil teams continue to meet across our three school sites (and three Hackney post codes) including our School Councillors, Peer Mediators and Eco Team, working together on shared agendas. Our recent cross-site timestable event was supported by our school councils and timestable ambassadors who were keen to raise the profile of competition. A huge well done to Hoxton Garden, who won the event!

As a school, we are very committed to ensuring that children are in school and receiving their full entitlement to education. We are also very committed to working with families to remove any potential barriers to children being in school. We want to say a big thank you to each family who are supporting our drive of taking attendance to 97% and above by ensuring that children attend school every day on time.

Many thanks for all your support.

Ms Rachael Carr - Headteacher | Mr Stephen O'Brien - Executive Headteacher

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Reading

Reading for 15 minutes each day helps improve reading fluency, vocabulary and concentration!



Punctuality

School starts at 8.55am and we expect all children to be on time in order that learning time is not lost.



Creative Collages

Children in Reception have been using their creative skills to make collages today! They used newspaper clippings and scrap paper to craft colourful fruits while learning all about healthy eating. A fun way to explore the importance of nutritious choices through art!



World Map

Children in Year 2 have enjoyed a busy half term travelling all around the world in their Geography lessons. They used their knowledge of all the continents and team work skills to create a giant map of the seven continents!



Healthy Eating

Children in Year 6 made a layered, healthy salad. They researched and discussed the 'Eatwell plate', which recommends the amount of each food type children and adults should be eating to achieve a healthy balanced diet. They then used this as a guide when choosing the ingredients!





Debate Mate Cup

The Hoxton Garden Debate Team travelled to Northwestern University to debate a range of issues for the Debate Mate Cup. They even argued that we should replace teachers with robots. The team have made huge progress this year and should be proud of their new skills of rebutting, summarising, and thinking quickly on their feet.



PGL

This week, pupils in Year 5 have been enjoying a busy three days at PGL! They have taken part in a variety of activities from zip wiring, raft building and even a disco to celebrate their last night. It has been a wonderful opportunity for children to work on team building, problem solving and to enjoy the sunshine!



Key Dates

Bank Holiday Monday
Monday 5th May

Families Week
wb Tuesday 6th May

Bring a Significant Female Morning
Wednesday 7th May at 8:55am

Grandparent Afternoon Tea (1)
Wednesday 7th May 2:15pm (booking required)

Grandparent Afternoon Tea (2)
Friday 9th May at 2:15pm (booking required)

VE Day 80
Thursday 8th May (children can wear red, white and blue)

Year 6 SATs Week
wb Monday 12th May

Science Day
Thursday 22nd May (pupils only)

Science Fayre
Thursday 22nd May at 3:30pm

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.

Date	Focus
Friday 16 th May	<u>Science</u> : What exciting and simple experiments can I try with with child at home? (Children can attend this coffee morning)

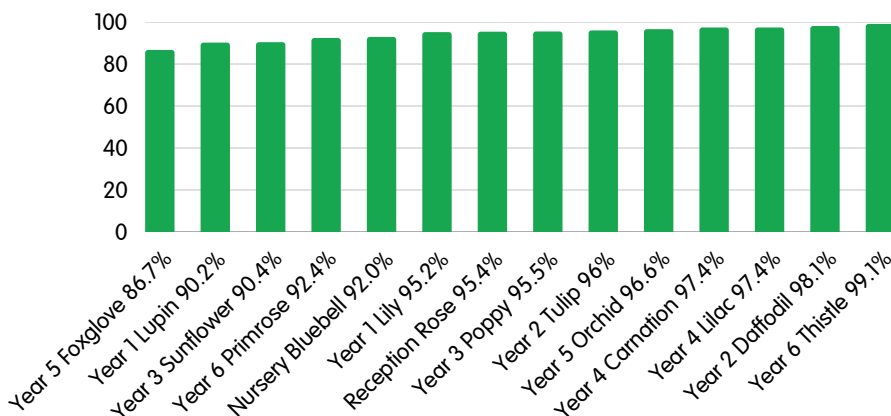
Attendance

The whole school attendance for the last week was 94.6%

Well done to Year 6 Thistle Class, last week's winners with 99.1%

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 23rd May 2025 at 3:30pm. 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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