



# Hoxton Garden Primary School

**HIGHLIGHTS**

20th March 2026

## Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you were able to meet with your child's class teacher at parents evening last week and enjoyed looking through your child's books. If you were not able to attend, please contact the school office or speak to the class teacher, so that we can arrange a new meeting time for you. If you did not collect your child's termly report card, this will be posted to you. Each child's report card contains targets and areas to work on in the coming term. Please help us to help your child by encouraging them to learn their times tables (or if younger counting in steps of 1,2,5 and 10), practise spellings and read at home either with you, or on their own. Children achieve so much more if they are encouraged to learn these key skills at home as well as at school.

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.

When children are using the internet, either through phones, games or on a computer or tablet please make sure that you monitor and observe that this is being done safely. Whilst the internet is a wonderful resource it also holds risks to children. There are some very useful resources for parents about how to protect children from online dangers at <https://saferinternet.org.uk/>

Spring term ends next week, Friday 27th March at 1pm. We will set holiday homework projects including research projects for the topics classes will be studying in the first half of the Summer term. Please encourage children to explore the themes they will be learning about and of course, continue to encourage them to read, write and count every day. Pupils return to school on Tuesday 14th April at 8:55am. Last of all, we wish all our families a very safe and happy Easter break.

Many thanks for all your support.

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## Reminders

### School Start Time

School starts at 8.55am. Please ensure children arrive on time to line up and enter the school with their class teacher when the bell goes.



### Lost Property & School Uniform

If you have misplaced a jumper, lunchbox or other item, please call into the school office who will show you to the lost property cupboard.



## Mother's Day

This week, children in EYFS have enjoyed learning about Mother's Day and taking time to think about the special people in their lives. They have been busy creating thoughtful cards for the significant females who care for and support them, putting great care and enthusiasm into each one!



## Plant Hunt

As part of their science unit on plants, Year 1 enjoyed going on a plant hunt around the school playgrounds and garden. They spotted evergreen and deciduous trees, found plants that provide food and shelter for animals and identified some wild and purposely grown plants in the garden.



## Natural History Museum

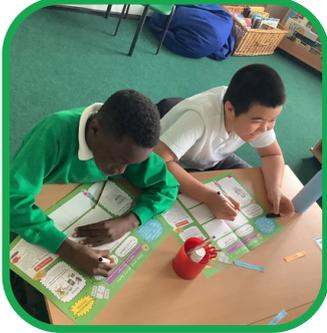
Year 3 enjoyed a visit to the Natural History Museum as part of their topic on earthquakes. They attended the Volcanoes and Earthquakes show, where they discovered how and why eruptions occur. They learned about tectonic plates and the movement beneath the Earth's surface!





## Young Writers

This week, Key Stage 2 children began working on their entries for the 'Young Writers' imaginative writing competition, Ridiculous Writers. We are really looking forward to seeing how their stories develop over the coming days and can't wait to read the finished pieces!



## Gardeners

Spring has arrived and the head gardeners have been busy preparing the garden for a fresh season of planting. They have also been hard at work setting up the school's entry for the national potato growing competition, giving the crops the best possible care. Fingers crossed for a winning harvest!



## Key Dates

**Parents into Learning: Design and Technology**  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 9:00am

**Easter Bonnet Competition**  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

**Children break up for the Easter Holidays**  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - School closes at 1pm

### Term End and Start

The second half of the spring term ends on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 1:00pm.

Please scan the QR code to view our 2025 -2026 term dates.



### School Uniform

Please scan the QR code to order school uniform.



## Coffee Mornings

Parents/Carers are invited to drop into our sessions on various themes which are held in the Middle or Lower 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 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Reading Assembly: EYFS and KS1 Parent Reading Celebration Assembly

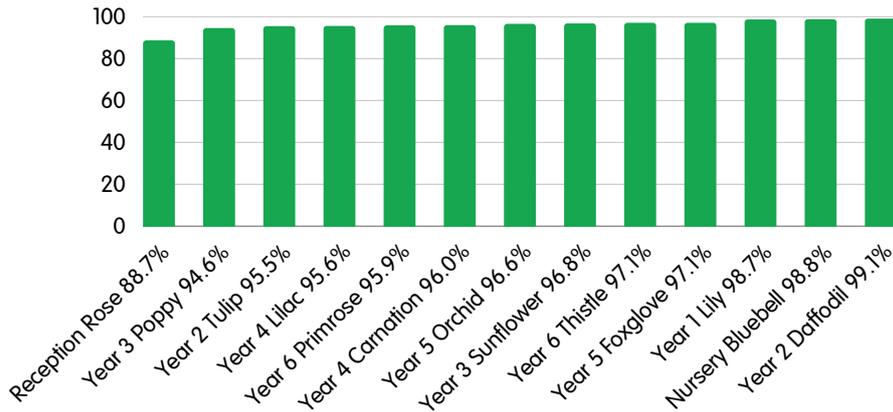
## Attendance

The whole school attendance for the last week was 95.9%

Well done to Year 2 Daffodil 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.



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