



Her Majesty The Queen



It is with great sorrow that we acknowledge the death of our long serving monarch, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the second.

Queen Elizabeth became monarch in 1952 at the age of 25, and has served Britain and the Commonwealth faithfully for 70 years and 214 days. She always demonstrated a strong sense of duty and provided us with stability and strength through both hard and happy times.

Whether we as individuals are royalists or not, we all acknowledge the loss of someone who was a constant throughout our lives. We send our sympathy to her family; children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to welcome you all back to a new academic year and a special welcome to all of you who are new to our Hunters Hall community.

Getting the routines right is essential for the smooth running of every establishment. We have occasional hiccups at the beginning of new systems but with time to fine tune and get used to these procedures, a clear routine can be established which helps every member of our community: children, parents and staff.

Punctuality is essential for the successful operation of our systems and timetables. All children must be in class by 8:45, that means they should be coming through gate at 8:40 at the very latest. Lessons start promptly and if your child is late, they start the day behind and struggle to catch up.

The same applies at collection time. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should be collected at 3:00 with children in Years 3,4,5 and 6 being collected at 3:05pm. This week our front office was crowded with children who were not collected until 3:15 or later. Their parents were crowding in the front office with little space for our staff to recognise the adults on our dismissal registers.

Of course, the overwhelming majority of our families follow our routines which results in a calm, happy atmosphere which helps us all thrive. Thank you for your continued support and we hope 2022/23 will be a very successful year for us all.

Best wishes,

Selina Frazer & Michael Kaitell,
Co-Headteachers

Thrive School of Excellence



Attendance

Congratulations to 1L in Key Stage 1 who achieved 100% this week and to 3T in Key Stage 2 with 99.23%

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	-	2D	99.21	4R	90.71
RH	-	2K	98.08	5A	94.49
RR	-	3G	93.89	5D	95.08
1H	97.95	3T	99.23	5Y	94.69
1K	98.47	3TB	97.41	6E	93.36
1L	100	4B	89.87	6L	95.82
2A	93.87	4G	99.05	6N	98.08



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Achievement Display

We love hearing about the achievements of our past Hunters Hall pupils. To inspire our children, we would like to make a display in the school including a photograph of the pupil now (and if possible a photograph of when they attended Hunters Hall) and details of what they have achieved since leaving us.

Please send this to office@hunters-hall.bardaglea.co.uk care of Miss Ede or come in and see us!!

We look forward to hearing from you.

Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.

Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.



1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

@HuntersHallIPS

How to translate messages in the Parent Hub app (guidance for schools)

In the app, parents just tap the 'translate' button in the bottom right of a message.

This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

To find out more, click the link below for a useful guide.

<https://support.parenthub.co.uk/hc/en-us/articles/6172951020689-How-to-translate-messages-in-the-Parent-Hub-app>



School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased every Monday from 3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall.

Uniform can also be purchased online:

www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/

Or

Telephone: 01992 763679

Email: info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk



Book Donations

If you have any pop up books or books with flaps that you no longer need. Please send them in to school for the attention of Miss Wade. Thank you.



Self-Care September Calendar

Self-Care September 2022

MONDAY



5 Forgive yourself when things go wrong. Everyone makes mistakes

12 Get active outside and give your mind and body a natural boost

19 Notice what you are feeling, without any judgement

26 Find a new way to use one of your strengths or talents

TUESDAY



6 Focus on the basics: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time

13 Be as kind to yourself as you would to a loved one

20 Enjoy photos from a time with happy memories

27 Free up time by cancelling any unnecessary plans

WEDNESDAY



7 Give yourself permission to say 'no'

14 If you're busy, allow yourself to pause and take a break

21 Don't compare how you feel inside to how others appear outside

28 Choose to see your mistakes as steps to help you learn

THURSDAY

1 Find time for self-care. It's not selfish, it's essential

8 Be willing to share how you feel and ask for help when needed

15 Find a caring, calming phrase to use when you feel low

22 Take your time. Make space to just breathe and be still

29 Write down three things you appreciate about yourself

FRIDAY

2 Notice the things you do well, however small

9 Aim to be good enough, rather than perfect

16 Leave positive messages for yourself to see regularly

23 Let go of other people's expectations of you

30 Remind yourself that you are enough, just as you are

SATURDAY

3 Let go of self-criticism and speak to yourself kindly

10 When you find things hard, remember it's ok not to be ok

17 No plans day. Make time to slow down and be kind to yourself

24 Accept yourself and remember that you are worthy of love

SUNDAY

4 Plan a fun or relaxing activity and make time for it

11 Make time to do something you really enjoy

18 Ask a trusted friend to tell you what strengths they see in you

25 Avoid saying 'I should' and make time to do nothing



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

P.E. Days

From September 2022, children will come to school wearing their P.E. kit on P.E. days. (white t-shirt and red shorts) This is to reduce the cost of buying school uniform as well as removing the need for children to change into their kit in school thus meaning more time for P.E. lessons.

During colder weather, children can also wear grey jogging bottoms and school jumper/school fleece.

Exceptions include special days such as school trips and school photograph day when the children will need to wear school uniform. We will send reminders though.

Year groups who will have swimming will be sent a letter about swimming days. Children will need to bring in a bag containing: a towel, suitable swimwear, and a swimming hat.



Year Group	PE Day 1	PE Day 2
Reception	Thursday	
Year 1	Monday	Tuesday
Year 2	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 4	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday	Thursday

Free School Meal Checker



Free School Meals Eligibility Checker

Help obtain government funding for your child's school in England!

Did you know the government gives additional funding to schools for those children entitled to free school meals?

Schools use this money to obtain additional staff and resources that help improve the quality of education.

To find out whether your child qualifies for free school meals, and hence whether their school would receive additional funding, please fill in the details requested on this site.

In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals as follows:

- From 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants will continue to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out. This will apply even if their earnings rise above the new threshold during that time.
- In addition, any child gaining eligibility for free school meals after 1 April 2018 will be protected against losing free school meals during the Universal Credit rollout period.
- Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, any existing claimants that no longer meet the eligibility criteria at that point (because they are earning above the threshold or are no longer a recipient of Universal Credit) will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education (i.e. primary or secondary).

The Universal Credit rollout is currently expected to complete in March 2023

We have made a couple of enhancements to the website, for further information please see the FAQ's, the enhancements are:

- An LGfL school can check eligibility on behalf of a parent, the parent will need to contact your child's school, as they can run a check on your behalf.
- A parent of a child attending any LGfL school can now use this website to check their eligibility.
- A Certificate of Eligibility is available through our website for any child eligible for a free school meal that is attending a school in England. The Certificate of Eligibility should be taken to your child's school.

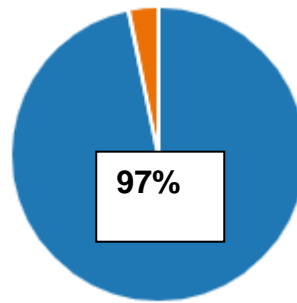


Click the link <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/> to see whether your child is eligible.

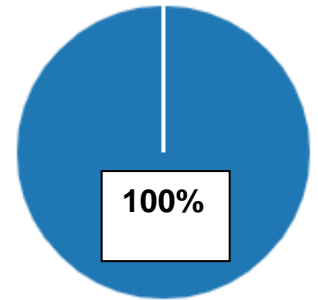
Parent/Carer Survey Results

Thank you to the **61** parents & carers who completed the survey. From the results we can see that further work is needed in the area of anti-bullying and ensuring that everybody understands what bullying means and how we deal with individual cases when they occur.

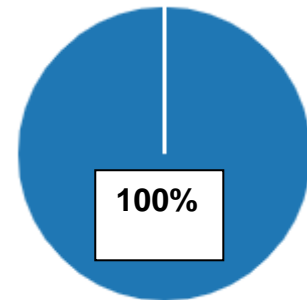
My child is happy at school



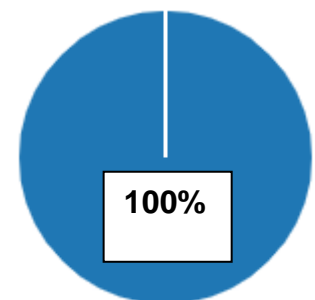
The school keeps me informed via Parenthub/ Snippets/ school website



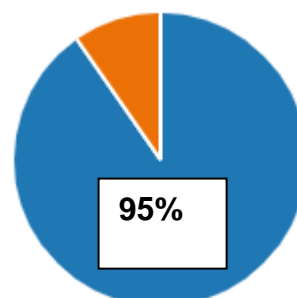
The school has high expectations for my child.



The school takes an interest in my child's talents and abilities



Anti-Bullying is taken seriously



Hunters Hall Primary School Curriculum Expectations

At Hunters Hall Primary School, we know that learning is most memorable for pupils and has **stick-ability** when it is planned with cross-curricular links. Therefore, our intention is to offer an **ambitious, creative curriculum** that is **balanced and broadly based**, promoting the **social, moral, spiritual, cultural, mental, and physical** development of all pupils. A curriculum that **empowers** our pupils with the **essential, carefully sequenced knowledge, skills and understanding** that they need to be fully integrated citizens in today's diverse society.



In order to be ready to learn, we recognise that learners need to be regulated, therefore, our curriculum foundations build upon research in **neuroscience, attachment theory and child development**. We implement the Thrive Approach.



A consistent theme that runs through the whole school from Nursery to Year 6 is the "**Characteristics of Effective Learning**." Whenever learning opportunities are planned - the Characteristics should be at the forefront. We believe that this enables a **deeper level of learning**; ensuring that the children's education outlasts their time at Hunters Hall.

Motivation

Active Learning

Being involved and concentrating

- Maintaining focus on their activity for a period of time
- Showing high levels of energy, fascination
- Not easily distracted
- Paying attention to details

Keeping on trying

- Persisting with activity when challenges occur
- Showing a belief that more effort or a different approach will pay off
- Bouncing back after difficulties

Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

- Showing satisfaction in meeting their own goals
- Being proud of how they accomplished something – not just the end result
- Enjoying meeting challenges for their own sake rather than external rewards or praise

Engagement

Playing and Exploring

Finding out and exploring

- Showing curiosity about objects, events and people
- Using senses to explore the world around them
- Engaging in open-ended activity
- Showing particular interests

Playing with what they know

- Pretending objects are things from their experience
- Representing their experiences in play
- Taking on a role in their play
- Acting out experiences with other people

Being willing to 'have a go'

- Initiating activities
- Seeking challenge
- Showing a 'can do' attitude
- Taking a risk, engaging in new experiences, and learning by trial and error

Thinking

Creative and Critical Thinking

Having their own ideas

- Thinking of ideas
- Finding ways to solve problems
- Finding new ways to do things

Making links

- Making links and noticing patterns in their experience
- Making predictions
- Testing their ideas
- Developing ideas of grouping, sequences, cause and effect

Choosing ways to do things

- Planning, making decisions about how to approach a task, solve a problem and reach a goal
- Checking how well their activities are going
- Changing strategy as needed
- Reviewing how well the approach worked

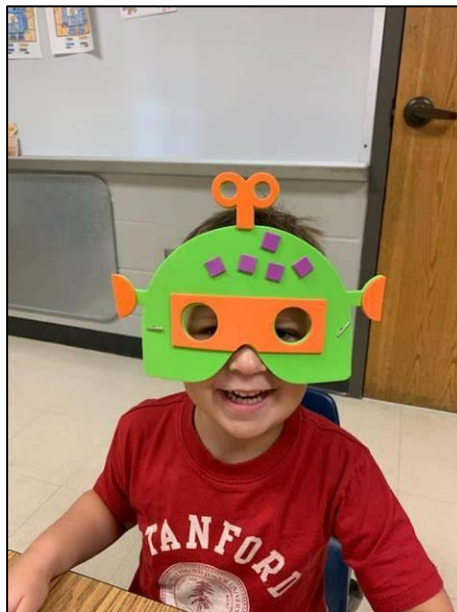
PiXL's diagnostic tools, alongside the use of Personalised Learning Checklists (PLCs) allow us to monitor and track the acquisition of skills in the core curriculum subjects. 'Therapies' - short, focused teaching sessions linked to these areas - are delivered to targeted groups of 'key marginal' children or to support the whole class. The cycle of 'diagnosis, therapy, test and review' (DTRR) informs planning and ensures that support is appropriate and progressive.

Year 1 Aliens Day

Year 1 will be launching their first topic "Aliens" with an alien themed day on **Friday 16th September**. They are asking that for homework this week parents and carers work with their children to create an alien mask or hat.

On Friday, the children (and staff) will have lots of fun completing alien activities and holding an alien parade to showcase their work.

Here are some ideas for masks and hats...



Barking & Dagenham

Moving to secondary school in September 2023

If your child was born between

01 September 2011 and 31 August 2012

This move is not an automatic process. You will need to apply online for a place at the secondary-phase schools you would like your child to go to if they were born between the dates shown above.

Apply online from **1 September 2022**

Please note: -

The closing date for all applications is 31 October 2022.

- Look out for our 'quick guide' which your child's Barking and Dagenham school will give you the first week your child returns in September.
- The admissions process is explained in full within the e-booklet 'Moving to secondary school in 2023' which will be available on our website from **1 September 2022**.
- Find out what our 12 secondary-phase schools have to offer at their open evenings or mornings.
- Watch our presentation about the admissions process on YouTube. The presentation gives you important information about applying for a place at a secondary-phase school and is available on our website.

All Saints Catholic School

Website: www.allsaintsschool.co.uk

Open evening: Wednesday 5 October 2022, 5.30pm to 8.30pm.

Barking Abbey – a specialist sports and humanities college

Website: www.barkingabbeysschool.co.uk

Open evening: Wednesday 28 September 2022, 5pm to 7pm

Please visit the site closest to your home address

Dagenham Park Church of England School

Website: www.dagenhampark.org.uk

Open evening: Tuesday 20 September 2022, 4.30pm to 7.30pm or

Open morning: Friday 23 September 2022, 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Eastbrook School

Website: www.eastbrookschool.org

Open evening: Thursday 15 September 2022, 5pm to 7pm

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Eastbury Community School

Website: www.eastbury.bardaglea.org.uk

Open evening: Wednesday 21 September 2022, 5pm to 8pm.

Goresbrook School

Website: www.goresbrookschoo.org.uk

Open evening: Tuesday 13 September 2022, 5.30pm to 7.30pm or

Open morning: Wednesday 5 October 2022, 9am to 10.30am

Greatfields School

Website: www.greatfieldsschool.com

Open evening: Monday 12 September 2022, 7pm or

Open morning: Wednesday 14 September or Thursday 15 September, 9am

Jo Richardson Community School

Website: www.jorichardson.org.uk

Open evening: Wednesday 14 September 2022, 6pm to 9pm.

Riverside School

Email: riverside@riverside.bardaglea.org.uk

Website: www.riversidecampus.com

Open evening: Wednesday 7 September 2022 5pm -7pm.

A virtual open event will be available to view on the school website.

Robert Clack School of Science – a specialist college

Website: www.robertclack.co.uk

Open evening: Thursday 22 September 2022, 6pm to 8.30pm on Green Lane Site

The Sydney Russell School

Website: www.sydneyrussellschool.com

Open evening: Monday 19 September 2022, 7pm

Open mornings: Wednesday 21 September 2022, 9am or

Thursday 22 September 2022, 9am.

The Warren School

Website: www.thewarrenschoo.net

Open evening: Thursday 6 October 2022, 5pm to 7pm

Options when your child reaches Year 9 (13 and 14 year olds)

When deciding which secondary schools to apply for, please keep in mind that children can change to another type of school in Year 9 called Technical training or studio schools. For full details, see the e-booklet 'Technical and training schools which is published on our website.

We have a UTC school in this borough called Elutec in Dagenham. Please see ELUTEC's website in August for the date and time of their open day event.

ELUTEC – East London university technical college

Yew Tree Avenue, Rainham Road South, Dagenham East, RM10 7FN

Phone: 020 3773 4670

Email: interest@elutec.co.uk

Website: elutec.co.uk

Are you struggling to afford your rent payments?



Do you have rent arrears?

Do you need help with a deposit?

Help is available through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) scheme

Visit <https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionary-hardship-support/discretionary-housing-payments-dhp>

To find out more and apply online

You must be in receipt of Housing Benefit or Universal Credit housing costs to qualify for a DHP



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Are you struggling with the rising cost of living?



Do you have utility debts?

Help is available to support the rising cost of living for energy & utility costs, food and other emergency need through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Hardship schemes

Visit <https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionary-hardship-support/hardship-payment-schemes/household-support-fund>

to find out more and apply online



**Barking &
Dagenham**



MINI ROCKERS

FOR RECEPTION TO YEAR 2

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. No experience or instrument required.



ROCK HEROES

FOR YEARS 3 AND 4

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 3 and 4. No experience or instrument required.



ROCK ICONS

FOR YEARS 5 AND 6

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 5 and 6. No experience or instrument required.

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/info-for-parents>

- ✓ **Learn to play in a band**
Learning an instrument should be fun. Your child can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and enjoy playing in a happy, supportive environment with their friends.
- ✓ **Lead by real musicians**
Your child's music teacher should also be their role model. Which is why all Rocksteady Band Leaders are carefully chosen, extensively trained musicians who know how to inspire a life-long love of playing music.
- ✓ **In school time**
Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place in school time with all instruments provided, making it hassle-free for parents.
- ✓ **From first notes to favourite songs**
The Rocksteady Programme is for all children aged 4-11 and is proven to progress musicianship, confidence and teamwork skills with no prior experience necessary.
- ✓ **With regular live performances**
Playing on stage is a huge confidence booster. With termly concerts at school assemblies, your child will be able to show off their progress to friends, teachers and parents with the rest of their band.
- ✓ **And happily affordable**
Rocksteady is one of the most hassle-free ways to learn an instrument on a rolling subscription that you can cancel at any time. It's risk free too – cancel in the first month and you'll get a full refund.

Call 0330 113 0330