

Hunters Hall Primary School Snippets

Issue: 7 November 2019

Dates for the Diary

Autumn Term 2019

Thursday 7th November – Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00am

Friday 8th November – KS2 Reading Workshop 9:00am (new date)

Monday 11th November – Anti-bullying Workshop 2:00pm

Tuesday 12th November – Year 5 production 10:00am & 2:00pm

Thursday 14th November – Year 5 production 10:00am & 2:00pm

Friday 15th November – KS2 Grammar Workshop 9:00am (new date) Children in Need- £1 donations – Wear sporty clothing

Friday 20th December – last day of autumn term

Please keep sending in the Aldi's Kit for Schools stickers as this is the last week for us to complete the poster.

Dear Parent/Carer.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you for your generous food donations for our Harvest Festival. Mr Bellevue has been extremely busy distributing your gifts to local causes and families who are in need. It is wonderful that our school community can help our local community.

On a less happy note, I am shocked at how many parents drive onto the pavement above the yellow zigzag lines when dropping their children to school in the mornings or collecting them after school. We have over 600 children who need to get to and from school safely, and if you choose to drive above the zigzag lines, you are putting many of our children's and parents' safety at risk.

I ask you all politely, please consider the safety of **ALL** our children when you are driving or stopping your car. PLEASE DON'T WAIT UNTIL THERE IS A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT BEFORE REALISING HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO **KEEP ALL OUR CHILDREN SAFE!**

I wish you a happy, safe and healthy weekend.

Selina Frazer, Headteacher.

Reception School Place

If you have a child in the Nursery it is that time of year when you need to apply for their Reception place. Please remember to do this before the 15th January 2020 deadline.



If you still need help to apply online after calling the helpdesk (020 8255 5555 - option 1), help sessions are available at Dagenham Library on Tuesdays and Barking Learning Centre on Thursdays until 14 January 2020. Each session starts at 9am and ends at 4.30pm.

The closing date is 15 January 2020

Poppy Appeal

As from Monday the following items will be on sale in school



Item	Suggested Donation Price		
Рорру	20p		
Silicon Wristband	£1.00		
Snap Band Rulers	£1.50		
Reflectors	50p		
Zip pull	50p		
Pencil	50p		
Ruler	£1.00		
Eraser	50p		
Pencil Sharpener	50p		

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:

@HuntersHallPS

Attendance

Congratulations to RC & 2T in Key Stage 1 who achieved 98.62% this week and to 6Y in Key Stage 2 with 100%

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RC	98.62	2K	94.52	4R	98.40
RL	96.32	2T	98.62	5P	96.30
RM	87.12	3D	97.14	5S	96.30
1H	98.57	3G	93.01	5T	94.66
1HV	93.66	3R	97.26	6A	92.59
1R	97.14	4E	96.18	6LC	88.73
2A	97.35	4N	94.85	6Y	100

Free App



Children in Year 3-6 will be bringing home their login details for the PiXL times tables App. You can download it for free on the following platforms:



Desktop Flash App

Desktop/Laptop Website

iilable in all Flash enabled browsers.



Mobile/Tablet

Available for iPhone and iPad running



Mobile/Tablet

Available for all compatible Android



Amazon App Store

Mobile/Tablet

Available for all compatible Android devices running Android 4.4 and above.

We hope it will be an enjoyable way for pupils to practise their times tables at home.

Walk to School Update

Yesterday, being the end of October signified the issuing of the October Walk to School. We are encouraged by the number of families who have chosen sustainable methods of travelling to school. We awarded 387 children with one of the October badges.



The Travel Tracker will continue to be used to track how pupils travel to school. Will the number increase for the November badge?

Artsmark Gold

Earlier this week, we received confirmation from Artsmark about our Artsmark application.

"Thank you for your submissions to Artsmark.

Your Statement of Commitment and Case Study/Statement of Impact have been assessed and we are delighted to inform you that your setting has been awarded an Artsmark Gold Award. Congratulations!

We have made the following comment about your submissions:

Despite encountering some challenges on your Artsmark journey, senior leaders and staff at Hunters Hall are evidently committed to providing a rich and varied arts curriculum, which affords all pupils regular opportunities to perform; visit arts and culture venues; and to work alongside prestigious arts professionals and organisations. Children have enjoyed participating in exciting arts projects, including the National Gallery's 'Take One Picture' and the mass choreography and performance programme, '1 Day, 1 Dance, 1000 Dancers', which culminated in the school dance troupe being filmed for a P.E. scheme of work. Furthermore, the school choir's accolade of performing at the Royal Albert Hall as part of the first CBeebies children's choir will have been a memorable and inspiring experience for the children. As a result of your Artsmark journey, you have strengthened your partnerships with school stakeholders and the local community, and demonstrated your commitment to equality and diversity through, for example, your whole school cultural days including 'Romania Day'. The increased range of arts and culture learning opportunities has helped to promote pupils' self-esteem and self-confidence, and enabled them to make a positive contribution to society. Staff have developed their skills and confidence in teaching arts subjects through training and coaching by specialist music teachers from the Music Hub and Rock Steady, as well as through the purchase and implementation of the Charanga music scheme. By sustaining your burgeoning alliances with arts specialists, as well as seeking out new partnerships, you will be able to source additional training opportunities to continue to upskill your staff across a range of arts. We would also be interested to learn in more detail about some of the projects with your arts and culture associates, as well as your reflections on the impact these have. You have made a positive start to giving your School Council pupils some ownership of their arts curriculum, for example, choosing a local rapper to perform to the school, and planning the playground mosaic project. Going forward, we agree with your self-evaluation that you could further develop Pupil Voice by giving pupils specific arts leadership roles on an 'Arts Council', so that they are deeply involved in the planning and delivery of authentic arts

and cultural experiences. We would also welcome exemplification of the impact of this Arts Council's work. Lastly, you may wish to consider offering Arts Award as a means of fostering children's ownership of their personal progression within the Arts.

Congratulations on your Artsmark Gold Award!"





Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England