



Dates for the Diary

Spring Term 2018

Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th February – Nursery stay and play sessions am and pm

Friday 8th February – Reception shape, space and measure Workshop 9:00-10:00am

Tuesday 12th February – KS1 (Yr 1-2) Science Workshop 9:00-10:00am

Tuesday 12th February – KS2 (Yr 3-6) Science Workshop 2:00-3:00pm

Thursday 14th February – Year 6 Parents' Evening 2:00-7:00pm.

Friday 15th February – Nursery Phonics Workshop 9:00-10:00am and 12:30-1:30pm

Friday 15th February – Non-uniform day as fundraising for Miss Brewer's Marathon charity, Mencap (more information next week).

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February inclusive – Half Term holiday

Monday 25th February– Children return to school

Thursday 28th February– Coffee Morning 9:00-10:00am

Dear Parent/Carer,

As next week is Children's Mental Health Week, many of our lessons will be focusing on techniques that can keep our children calm and ease anxiety and worry. Many of these techniques are centred on breathing deeply and being mindful of our surroundings; especially nature.

Developing an attitude of gratitude is also recommended along with being present in the moment and appreciating what we have. In that spirit, I **ask you all to not use your mobile phones when in the school grounds next week. Focus on having a chat with your child** and acknowledging others instead. Hopefully you will feel more content and valued as a result!

Miss Wade will lead a short parent/child workshop after school on Tuesday if you would like to learn some deep breathing and mindful techniques to ease stress, anxiety or a racing mind. If you are interested please give your and your child's name to Mr Bellevue on Monday or Tuesday so we can reserve a space.

The link below gives many helpful tips and suggestions for good mental health.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

Selina Frazer
Headteacher

Donations

- Please can you send in any clean jam jars with lids for us to use for a future fundraiser activity.
- Any unwanted gifts that could be used for our summer fayre tombola would be gratefully received.



Young Carers' Awareness Day

Today, we celebrated young carers. To support this we asked all staff and children to wear yellow. Voluntary donations were greatly appreciated.

Hannah Martin from young carers held a drop in hub during lunch time and also delivered a presentation during assembly.

Thank you for your support with this.



Importance of Reading

We cannot say enough how important reading is but we know sometimes it can be hard to find the right book. If you or your child is struggling to find a book that interests them or is desperate for a new challenge, visit www.schoolreadinglist.co.uk for a whole range of suggestions. They also have recommended reading lists for each year group. Happy reading!

The School Reading List

Suggested reading books for primary & secondary aged children in the UK

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:

@HuntersHalIPS

Attendance

Congratulations to **RM** in Key Stage 1 who achieved **100%** this week and **3R** in Key Stage 2 with **99.15%**

| Class | Attendance % | Class | Attendance % | Class | Attendance % |
|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| RC | 97.44 | 2G | 95.42 | 4R | 98.47 |
| RL | 96.71 | 2T | 98.47 | 5M | 94.01 |
| RM | 100 | 3B | 96.15 | 5S | 98.30 |
| 1E | 97.79 | 3K | 97.62 | 5T | 95.74 |
| 1H | 96.17 | 3R | 99.15 | 6A | 92.50 |
| 1HV | 94.66 | 4AC | 97.22 | 6M | 87.07 |
| 2A | 91.54 | 4P | 97.94 | 6N | 97.72 |



School Council

On Wednesday 30th, members of our School Council visited Barking & Dagenham College where they worked on a project about peace. One of the highlights of the day involved experiencing the use of green screen technology.



Etan Chair School Councillor quoted "we had so much fun experiencing new activities"

The school would like to thank Barking College for accommodating the children.



Safer Internet Day 2019

This year, Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday 5th February, and the theme is "Together for a better internet".

During assembly time, the children have been reminded about how to stay safe when online.

See below for online safety activities for the whole family linked to the Internet Legends code.

https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en_uk/parents

<http://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/online-safetysafety/147.html>

<http://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/online-safety/464.html>

The Internet Legends code

Be Internet Sharp and Think Before You Share

Know what's OK to share on the internet and what's not

Be Internet Alert and Check it's For Real

Spot the signs that something online might be fake, misleading or a scam

Be Internet Secure and Protect Your Stuff

Learn how to keep information secure and create strong passwords

Be Internet Kind and Respect Each Other

Understand what it means to be kind and respect other people's privacy

Be Internet Brave and When in Doubt, Discuss

Ask for help from a parent or trusted adult with tricky situations online

High 5 Netball

It has been a busy week for some of our sports teams this week with the Netball Tournament and the Kurling & Sitting Volleyball Competition for our SEN children.

Huge congratulations to our year 5 & 6 Netball team, who participated for the first time in the boroughs High 5 Netball tournament, held at Barking Abbey School. With only two weeks practice the team came 4th overall in their group, with Etan, Nikolay and Ela receiving sportsmanship bands throughout the tournament.



On Thursday 31st January our year 3 & 4 Kurling team and year 5 & 6 Sitting Volleyball team travelled to Riverside School to compete in the New Age Kurling & Sitting Volleyball Competition. Both teams displayed respect, determination and



teamwork throughout. Our Sitting Volleyball team came 3rd overall, and our Kurling team came 1st and go on to represent the borough at the London School Games Final!! A first for Hunters Hall!



Year 1 & 2 Disco

On Tuesday 29th January, The year 1 & 2 staff hosted a special new year disco for the children after school. There was a lot of energetic dancing that took place from start to end.



Mayor's Charity Quiz Night

Barking and Dagenham Mayor's Charity Quiz Night

Friday 12 April 2019
7.45pm

In support of
Pennu, AFRUCA, Endometriosis charities

Dagenham & Redbridge Football Club,
Victoria Road, Dagenham, RM10 7XL

£5 adults
Teams of eight per table
For tickets, please email Julie Wilkes at
julie.wilkes@lbbd.gov.uk

RAFFLE

Licensed cash bar available