

# Hunters Hall Primary School

Snippets

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#### Dates for the Diary

Autumn Term 2021

Sunday 14th November - Remembrance



**Monday 15**<sup>th</sup> **November** – Odd Sock Day **Tuesday 16**<sup>th</sup> **November** – Flu Immunisation (1<sup>st</sup> session)

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November** – Yr6 National Child Measurement Programme

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need Day (non-uniform day)

**Friday 10**<sup>th</sup> **December** – Flu Immunisation (2<sup>nd</sup> session)



### Odd Sock Day - 15th November



Dear Parent/Carer.

Anti-Bullying Week 2021 is happening from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November and has the theme 'One Kind Word'. In a world that can sometimes feel like it's filled with negativity, one kind word can provide a moment of hope. It can be a turning point. It can change someone's perspective. It can change their day. It can change the course of a conversation and break the cycle of bullying.

Best of all, one kind word leads to another. Kindness fuels kindness. So from the playground to Parliament, and from our phones to our homes, together, our actions can fire a chain reaction that powers positivity. It starts with one kind word. It starts today.

To kick off the week we are asking everybody to wear odd socks on Monday in support of anti-bullying and we will end the week, which coincides with BBC Children in Need, with a non-uniform day fundraiser.

Although we highlight and celebrate this very important week, as a school we advocate anti-bullying every single day. Please do let us know if you are concerned about any bullying behaviour, for we do know that bullying can and does take place despite the key messages and learning about the subject. Please see Parenthub for further guidance and support for parents & carers.

So, in summary, our message today is about kindness and compassion. Be an advocate for this and join us in promoting this message.

Have a lovely weekend,

Selina Frazer & Michael Kaitell, Co-Headteachers



#### 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 <u>RR</u> in Key Stage 1 who achieved <u>99.21%</u> this week and to <u>4G</u> in Key Stage 2 with <u>99.21%</u>

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	92.55	2M	94.42	4R	94.07
RH	94.69	2T	94.30	5N	95.40
RR	99.21	3D	95.17	5P	96.17
1H	91.11	3G	98.21	5R	97.70
1L	97.71	3T	98.77	6A	91.82
1R	94.66	4E	93.02	6L	98.24
2K	90.41	4G	99.21	6Y	91.28



#### School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased online:

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

Or

Telephone: 01992 763679

Email: info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk



#### Coming soon...

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November, Hunters Hall will be celebrating **BBC Children in Need**. Everyone will be able to dress up on the day and donate to this incredibly worthwhile charity.



#### Reception place for September 2022

If your child attends Nursery you will need to apply online for their Reception place **no later than 15**January 2022 at either <a href="www.eadmissions.org.uk">www.eadmissions.org.uk</a> or use the link at <a href="www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions">www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions</a>

Please speak to Mr Bellevue if you require assistance.



One Kind Word

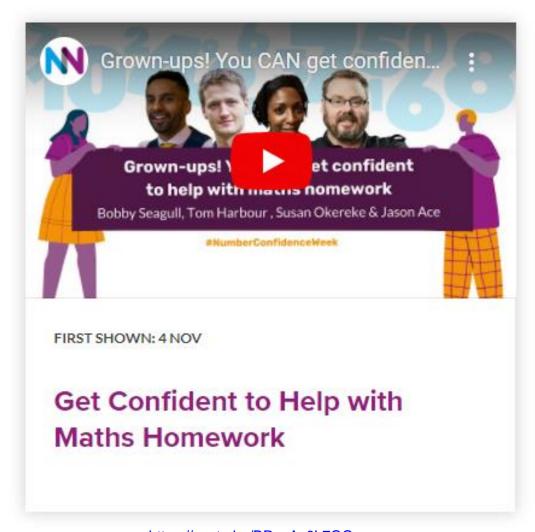




# A N T I B U L L Y I N G W E E K

MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

#### Number Confidence



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https://youtu.be/hOYtLIY6Xro

# Myths about Maths

Many of us struggle with using numbers, but we can all improve. Let us bust some myths about maths so you can start getting on with numbers.



# Myth 1

I can't do maths because I never use it in my work or life.

# **Busted**

We all use maths every day: planning journeys, shopping, cooking, doing DIY: all of them are working with numbers!



# Myth 4

I'm the only one who feels anxious about maths.

# **Busted**

Maths anxiety is common: many of us feel anxious, nervous or stressed when it comes to numbers. Butwe can overcome it.



# Myth 2

Learning maths as an adult is just like going back to school.

# **Busted**

As adults we can choose what and how we learn. You can do it online, confidentially and in your own space.



# Myth 5

Some people justwon't improve, no matter how much they try.

# **Busted**

Ability is not fixed, we can all get better at maths if we make regular time for learning.

If I Can, You Can



# Myth 3

Some people are naturally good at maths and others are not.

# Busted

Maths ability is defined by experiences, not our genes. Maths is a skill we can all practise and get better at.



# You can overcome low number confidence.

Take the first step at nationalnumeracy.org.uk /challenge



#### RockSteady Feel Good Fridays

#### **RECEPTION TO YEAR 2**

To register for this event click <u>here</u> or copy this url into your web browser https://webinars.rocksteadymusicschool.com/ref/DYj0ApDudXJ6P08w

#### Band Leader Tommy will cover:

- Rhythm Bingo: The children put their listening skills to the test in this fastpaced game. Can they spot the rhythms they hear and shout "BINGO" for a full house?
- Instrument Families: We're turning our attention to the woodwind family as
  we discover more about the instruments that make up this impressive section.
- Sing & Sign: Get ready to learn more lyrics, Makaton signs and the melody for Katy Perry's 2013 global hit, 'Roar'.
- At the Movies Performance: Sit back and enjoy a special performance of 'How Far I'll Go' from Disney's Moana. A skillful blend of South Pacific sounds, pop and Broadway, this song will leave you feeling totally uplifted.



#### YEARS 3 AND 4

To register for this event click here or copy this url into your web browser https://webinars.rocksteadymusicschool.com/ref/h6vmtAKjPuViSxPF

#### Band Leader Paul will cover:

- The Rhythm Clock: It's time to rock around the clock as we challenge the children to listen and identify various rhythms.
- Music from Mars: Continuing our voyage into musical outer space, we compare more compositions from Gustav Holst's 'Planets'.
- Musical Word of the Week: Let's hear it for a 'hook'! What is a hook and why is it such an important part of a pop song?
- Spotlight Performance: Hold onto your hats as we experience an incredibly famous 'hook' in this performance of the Guns N' Roses hit, 'Sweet Child O' Mine'.



# YEARS 5 AND 6 To register for this ev

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#### Band Leaders Tommy, Paul, and friends will cover:

- The Theory Lab: As we continue to experiment with dynamics, this week we explore the musical stave and how dynamics might be represented.
- The Production Zone: Get to grips with music production and understand how we can start composing a song with a simple groove!
- Musical Word of the Week: As we explore the word 'production', we'll
  discuss the role of the producer and how influential they are in making
  modern music.
- Sound Pioneer Performance: Master producer, Pharrell Williams is the man behind so many great pop songs. We have a special performance to celebrate this sound pioneer, that we think will make everyone 'Happy'!

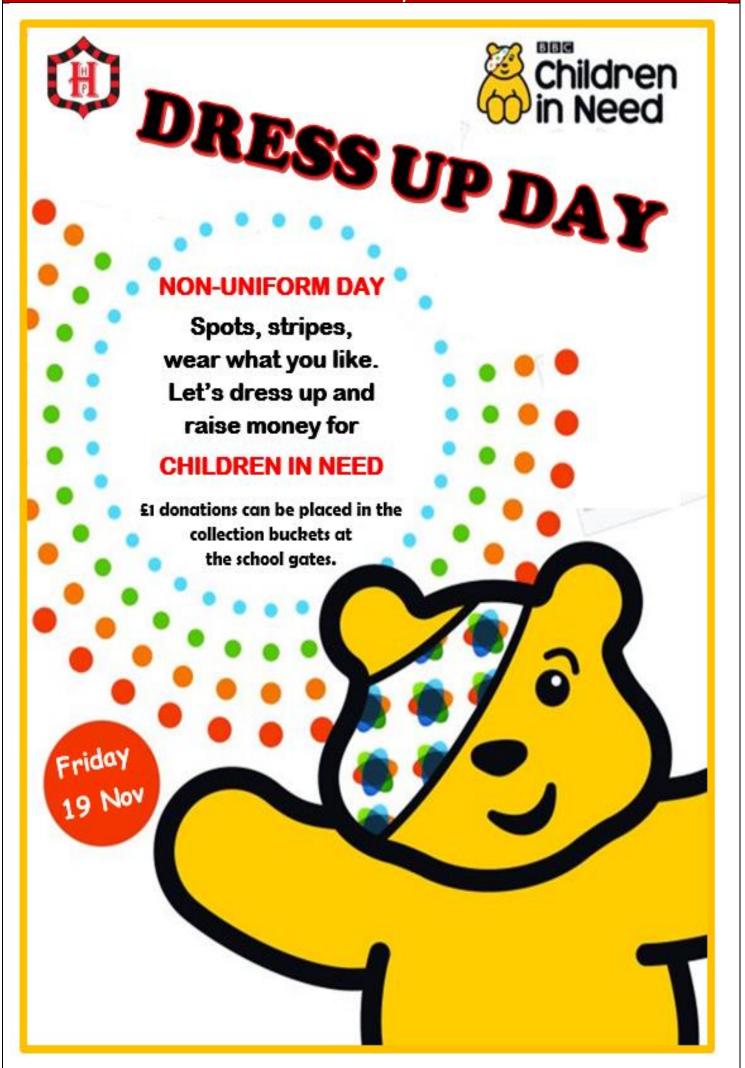


## Neighbourly Kindness

One of our neighbours donated a selection of helium balloons which we are now using in our Thrive Hub. They complement the wonderful displays and environment for our children.







# Dagenham primary school named as a School of Excellence for mental wellbeing

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A primary school in Dagenham, in London, has been named as a Thrive School of Excellence for the role it plays in supporting the wellbeing of its pupils in order to help prevent mental health issues.

Hunters Hall Primary School was named as a School of Excellence after going through a rigorous assessment process with Thrive®, an organisation that trains teachers and other education professionals to support the social and emotional development of all children.

The award recognises extraordinary schools which are making a positive impact on their pupils, and on the wider community, by prioritising emotional wellbeing and creating an environment in which children's wellbeing thrives.



Co-Headteacher, Michael Kaitell, said: "As school leaders, we have got to finely balance meeting the needs of the children, providing high-quality education and achieving national expectations, whilst remaining accountable to parents and carers, our governing body, the local authority, and Ofsted.

"With the Thrive Approach®, we are able to measure progress in ways other aspects of the curriculum are not measured. This focus on pastoral development is hugely important to our ethos and vision.

"We have seen first-hand the impact that Thrive has had on children, their families, and the staff at our school due to awareness of attachment, neuroscience, and behaviour as a means of communication and play. We are proud to be a School of Excellence and will continue to ensure that everyone thrives."

The School of Excellence award is the highest level of achievement in Thrive's Ambassador Schools scheme, which was launched last year as a way of recognising excellence in schools using the Thrive Approach.

There are five areas in which schools can evidence how they use Thrive to support children's social and emotional development: Environment, Leadership, Right-time, Reparative, and Relationship, with the School of Excellence award reserved for schools that achieve the highest standard across all five categories.

As well as submitting an in-depth evidence and impact application form, the school was visited by Thrive staff, when allowed under coronavirus restrictions, to observe and assess the way that teachers and other staff implement the Thrive Approach to help build the emotional resilience of children so that they can better manage the ups and downs of life and be more open to learning.

Alistair Dewar, Thrive relationship manager for London, said: "Everyone at Hunters Hall has worked hard to achieve this award which recognises that mental and emotional wellbeing is well and truly at the heart of life at the school. It's fantastic to see the journey the school has been on and the pride that staff and pupils take in its success.

"Whenever I visit Hunters Hall, I am blown away by seeing the helpful and supportive relationships that staff have built with the children they work with. Students always stop me in the corridors to tell me the difference that Thrive sessions with their staff are making to their lives."



# **Barking and Dagenham Council**





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Did you know (9), taking a lateral flow test twice a week can actually help to STOP the spread of COVID-19? Some people with coronavirus don't have symptoms, so it's really important to continue to test even when you're feeling just fine.

Get your free home-kit or on-site test today: https://orlo.uk/uSi7W



Please see further information at the following link: <a href="https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/get-a-coronavirus-test?utm">https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/get-a-coronavirus-test?utm</a> source=Facebook&utm medium=social&utm campaign=Orlo