



Hunters Hall Primary School

Snippets

Issue: 28
April 2023

Dates for the Diary

Summer Term

Friday 28th April – ARP visit to London Aquarium

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday (school closed)

Wednesday 3rd May – Year 1 visiting Barking Park

Friday 5th May – King Charles III Coronation Celebration – Wear red, white & blue.

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday (school closed)

Wednesday 17th May – Banji Alexander – Author visit

Monday 22nd May – 4R & 4TH visit to Valence House

Thursday 25th May – 4G visit to Valence House

UNIFORM SHOP

(Change of dates due to Bank Holidays)

Wednesday 3rd May

Tuesday 9th May

3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall.

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2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Resilience means being able to cope with difficult life events and bounce back afterwards. Resiliency is the process of adapting when you are faced with trauma, stress or any kind of adversity or emotional suffering.

Being resilient does not mean that you don't experience pain and hurt. Someone who is resilient faces tough life situations head-on, experiencing the difficult times and emotions. They process these challenging times by working through difficult emotions, building trust in themselves and their ability to cope through hard times.

You may be wondering why is resilience important? Resilience is important because we cannot escape difficult situations in life. There will always be a challenge to overcome and if we are resilient we will be able to face these challenges effectively.

Resilience is such a valuable life skill because it's key to learn how to get back up and carry on after you face a difficult challenge, whatever this might be. When we are resilient, we are more confident in ourselves and our capabilities. These are great qualities for our general life, as we will believe in ourselves more and be more motivated to succeed.

People who have not developed their resilience will often feel helpless and hopeless when difficult events happen in their lives. It can be overwhelming to face adversity without knowing how you can help yourself to cope with these situations.

As parents, we want to protect our children but we do need to allow them to experience changes and face challenges. Overprotecting children can have detrimental effects.

Michael Kaitell and Selina Frazer

Co-Headteachers

Team Points

TEAM POINTS

	Tigers	598
	Bears	596
	Wolves	643
	Sharks	663
	Komodo Dragon	578

Attendance

Congratulations to 1K in Key Stage 1 who achieved 95.98% this week and to 4R in Key Stage 2 with 97.83%

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	88.68	2D	92.62	4TH	97.78
RH	86.76	2K	89.01	5A	94.84
RR	95.28	3G	90.16	5D	92.37
1H	94.29	3T	92.65	5Y	92.52
1K	95.98	3Z	92.51	6E	90.87
1L	82.73	4G	94.38	6L	92.09
2A	95.49	4R	97.83	6N	95.24



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



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.

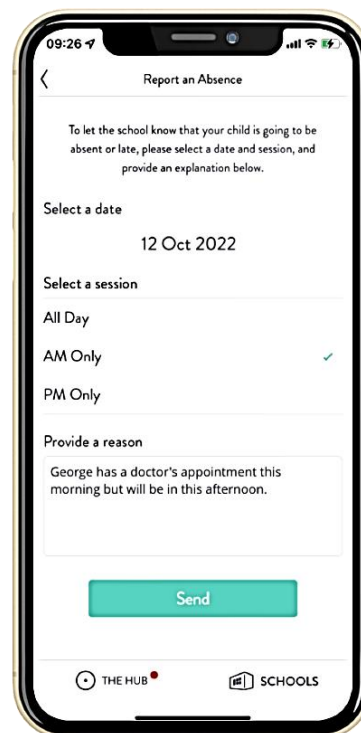
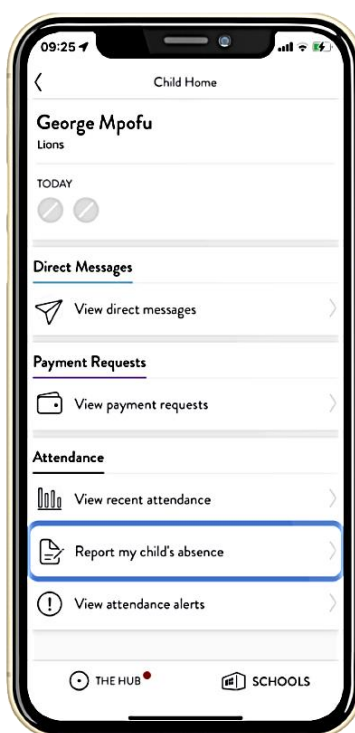
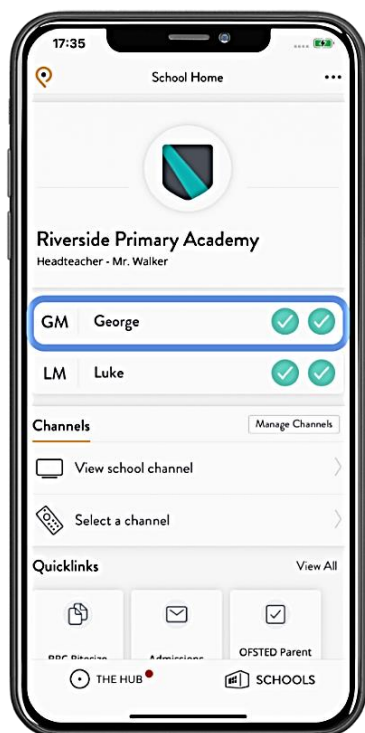
This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

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>



Reporting absence



FINAL REMINDER

Please remember to pay the £6 for your child to attend the Year 4 History trip to Valence House. Payments are to be made through ParentPay.

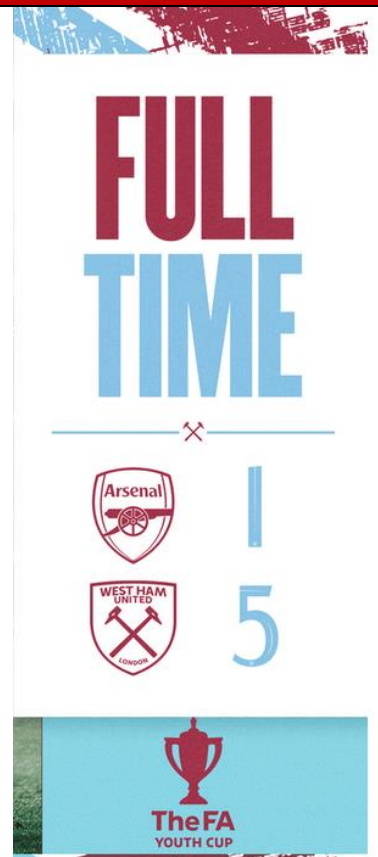
Thank you.



Fan Favourite Favour Fawunmi Former Pupil



Favour, who attended Hunters Hall from 2009 to 2017, was a pivotal player in the semi-finals of the U18 FA Youth Cup helping to secure West Ham's position into the final which was played on Tuesday. West Ham went on to beat Arsenal 5-1. We congratulate Favour and the rest of his team and wish him continued success with his footballing career.



Coronation Celebration

At Hunters Hall, we will be celebrating King Charles III coronation on Friday 5th May. We are asking everyone to wear red, white and blue. This will be the first coronation that many of us will have seen and we will be witnessing a moment in history.

The Coronation Ceremony will take place at Westminster Abbey, London, and will be conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury on Saturday 6th May 2023. The Ceremony will see His Majesty King Charles III crowned alongside The Queen Consort.

The Coronation will reflect the monarch's role today and look towards the future, while being rooted in longstanding traditions and pageantry.



KING CHARLES III

Help Wanted

We have a lovely garden with a pond and grassed area. We also have a fenced section of the garden that Ms Caisey's dad (aged 92) and her sister have been digging and weeding. Our idea is to have a mini allotment where children can grow vegetables which they can then take home to eat. So, what do we need.....

- parent/carers to help dig and weed the garden ready for the children
- volunteer parent/carers to help maintain the garden, keeping it weed free!

If you can help us, come to the office or speak to Ms Caisey.



Reception Discover Visit

Our three Reception Classes went to Discover Story Centre in Stratford last week. We listened to 'Look Up' by Dapo Adeola and Tola Okogwu then we helped our story teller to make a rocket from boxes. Once we had finished this we went into a box rocket and flew to Planet Nan. The planet had lots of different areas for us to explore. We soon discovered that the places we could play were from Dapo Adeola's books. We could, for example, pick up the plastic rubbish on the beach, make up songs in a beach bar in Jamaica, surf in the sea or have a picnic with our friends. It wasn't all playing though, we had to find words to save the planet from dying. Thank goodness, all three classes were successful in their mission!

Discover is a great venue for storytelling and imaginative play (children aged 0-8 years). Check out their website: www.discover.org.uk





Interactive Games

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk
Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu
Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

All children from Nursery to Year 2 have a daily phonics lesson. We know children love interactive games on an iPad or phone. These links might be useful for use at home:

[Online Phonics Games \(Phase 5\) - PhonicsBloom.com](https://www.phonicsbloom.com)

[Forest Phonics - mobile friendly \(ictgames.com\)](https://www.ictgames.com)

[Spooky Sounds \(ictgames.com\)](https://www.ictgames.com)

[Stamp and Grunt \(educationcity.com\)](https://www.educationcity.com)

[Phonics Pop || Listen to the sound, then pop as many bubbles as you can - mobile friendly \(ictgames.com\)](https://www.ictgames.com)

[Teach the Phonics Sounds | ReadwithPhonics.com](https://www.readwithphonics.com)

[PhonicsPlay - ResourcesPoop Deck Pirates - mobile friendly \(ictgames.com\)](https://www.ictgames.com)

[Letters & Sounds Bingo \(ictgames.com\)](https://www.ictgames.com)

Pizza Express Visit

On Tuesday 25th April 2D enjoyed taking the train to pizza express in Upminster. They made their own pizza which they enjoyed eating in class at lunch time.



EARTH DAY

When people are forced to migrate, they face more significant risks of human trafficking and forced labour. People who lose their livelihoods, income and ties to their community are often made vulnerable to exploitation and, in the worst cases, modern slavery.

Agricultural businesses, in particular, contribute to the emissions that drive climate change while also profoundly damaging the land and water that ordinary people rely upon. This pushes many more people into poverty and forces them to leave their homes and communities.

We must make sure people are protected from the consequences of climate change.

Climate change and modern slavery are linked closely together in a vicious circle.

It affects many communities, driving millions into poverty and forcing many to migrate in search of work, food or safety.

For people already at risk of modern slavery, the climate crisis presents a horrifying new threat to their freedom. Vulnerability to slavery caused by climate change is a threat we cannot ignore.

Climate change worsens slavery

Slavery contributes to climate change

Natural disasters

Human trafficking

Migration

Job loss

Deforestation and land use change

Biodiversity loss (e.g. overfishing, farming)

Fossil fuel consumption (e.g. brick kilns, mines)

Climate Change ↔ Modern Slavery

Climate change affects everyone. Changing weather patterns have put millions at risk of losing their homes and livelihoods.

Blagovesta 6N

Blagovesta (6N)

EARTH DAY!

We must keep our planet clean of pieces of trash and debris. With this, that is clean and clear, for you to breathe every year. So, please reduce & reuse for earth.

REUSE

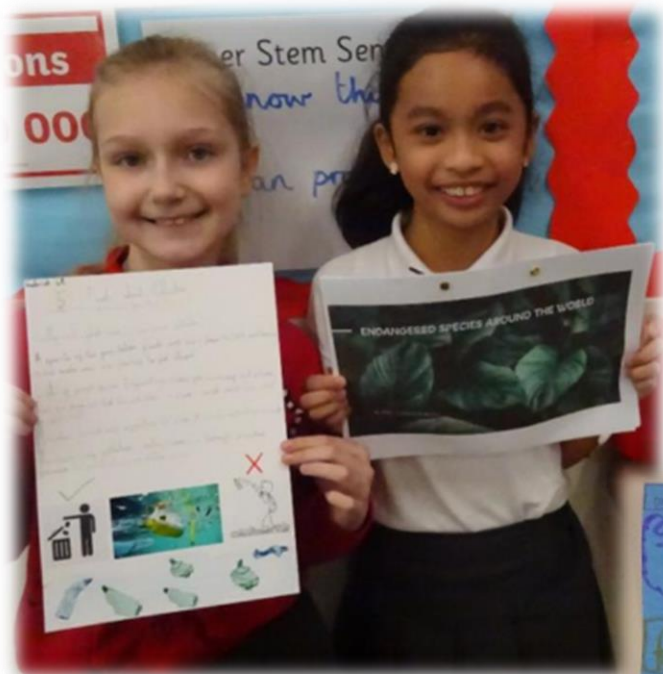
BE THE SOLUTION NOT THE POLLUTION

Happy Earth day!

ARIANA

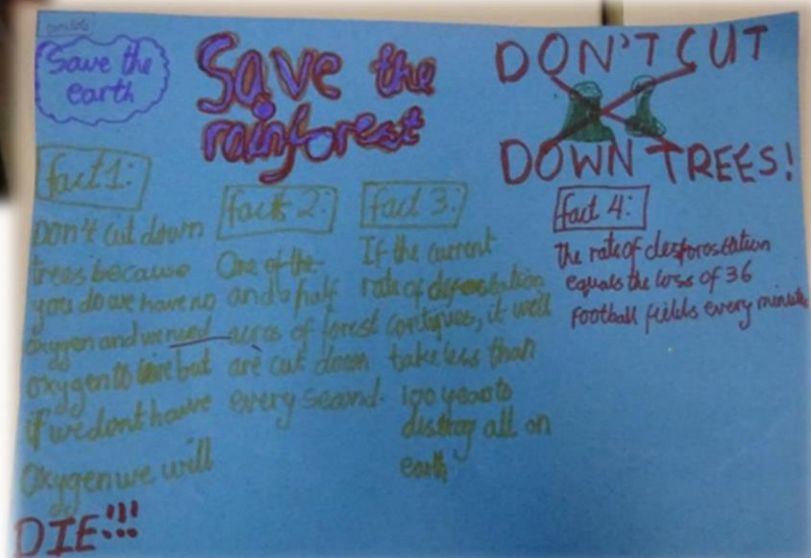
6L

Ariana (6L)



Gabriele & Ellie (4R)

Damiola (4R)



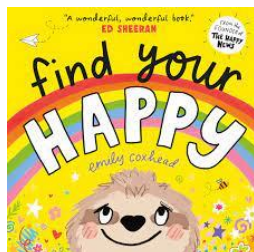
Coffee Morning

Thank you to all that attended the ARP / Rainbow Room Coffee Morning with representatives from 'A Mothers Voice' parents' support group.



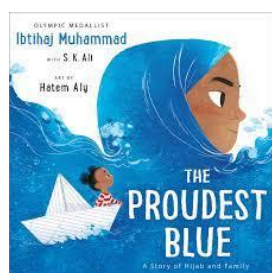
Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall

Ever got stuck when choosing a book to buy or borrow from the library?
 Ever wondered what your teachers, family or friends like to read?
 Well, our new weekly book review section is just what you need!
 Here are Miss Raeisa's recommendations:



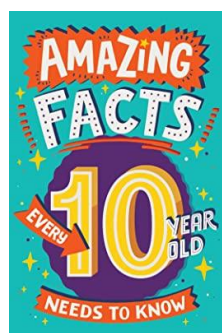
Reading interest: 4-8

'Find Your Happy' by Emily Coxhead is a really lovely picture book that helps children recognise and understand different feelings. It also gives practical, fun ideas for self-regulating.



Reading interest: 8-12

'The Proudest Blue' by Ibtihaj Muhammad is a lovely book. It is Asiya's first day of hijab. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, so in the face of hurtful words, Asiya finds new ways to be strong. It is a story that represents the experiences of lots of girls and young women. Ultimately it is an uplifting story which reminds us to be proud of who we are.



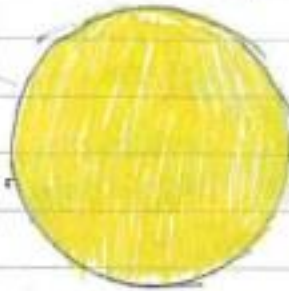
Reading interest: 10-adult

'Amazing Facts Every 10 Year Old Needs to Know' by Clive Gifford is a non-fiction book that I bought for my nephew. He says he doesn't really like reading stories but he enjoyed dipping into this book very much. Did you know that the tooth of a T Rex can be up to 20cm long?



Solar System

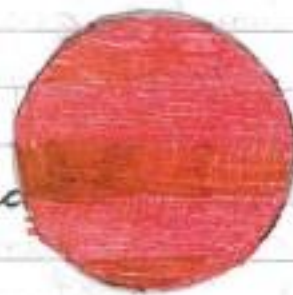
Venus is the second closest planet to the sun and it's the hottest planet in the solar system, that's because it has a high amount of carbon dioxide, which traps heat inside it.



Earth is a unique planet with suitable climatic condition, landforms and water bodies which support life in all forms.



Mars is often known as the red planet because of its reddish appearance. It's home to some of the largest dust storms which can continue for months and cover the entire planet.



Did you know that we also have five dwarf planets in our Solar system?

we have: Ceres

Pluto

Eris

Makemake

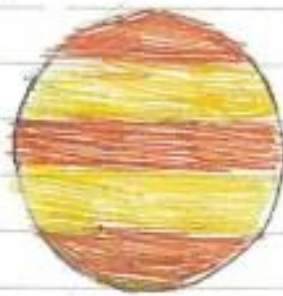
and Haumea

dwarf planets.

are around and orbit the sun just like the eight major planets.

Solar System

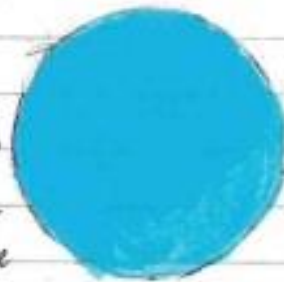
Jupiter has 4 moons and one day in Jupiter is 9 Hours and 55 minute making it the shortest day of all planets.



Saturn has about 83 frozen moons around it! The largest moon around Saturn is called Titan



Uranus is a very very cold planet, with temperatures dropping to about -224°C . It takes about 84 Earth years to travel around the sun.



Neptune takes about 165 Earth years to travel around the sun! It is also known as the Ice giant and it has about 14 moons.



Mercury is the closest planet to the sun. A year in Mercury is 88 days long. Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system. It's just a little bigger than Earth's moon.



Mental Health Support Team



Who are we?

We are four Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP), offering early intervention for young people with mild to moderate difficulties. Our team work closely with young people, parents, and school staff to think together about ways to improve mental wellbeing within your school environment

Who do we work with?

Parents or Carers of pupils from reception to year 6 with mild-moderate levels of:

- **Anxiety** (e.g. fears, phobias, feeling panicky)
- **Challenging behaviour** (e.g. struggling to follow rules, temper tantrums, difficulty following requests)

Whole classes or year groups (delivering assemblies and workshops)



Aims of our Team

- Provide early psychological support
- Support the school's whole-school approach to wellbeing
- Signposting to specialist service

Barking and Dagenham Primary School Staff



For more information please speak to your mental health lead or get in touch MHST.BD@nelft.nhs.uk

BREAKFAST CLUB



Our breakfast club is open term time only Monday to Friday, 7:45 to 8:30am.

No booking is required, you can turn up on the day and pay.

The charge is **£3** per day, you are required to accompany your child into our breakfast club and stay with them until they have been marked in on our daily register.

You are required to have the correct money for payment.

Please note that payments in advance are non-refundable and non-transferable therefore if you choose to pay in advance and your child does not attend you lose that money.



WANTED

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

DONATIONS NEEDED

A big thank you to everyone who has previously donated. We always need more good quality second hand uniform items. Has your child grown out of theirs? Please donate to the school and come along to one of our sales for bargain replacements!

Winter coats and shoes also welcome.

Please bring any donations in a bag to the school office.



Thank you



DHP Scheme

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.lbdd.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



Barking & Dagenham

Household Support Fund

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.lbdd.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