

## Hunters Hall Primary School Snippets

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## Dates for the Diary

### **Summer Term**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June; Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June & Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Reception visits to Stepney Green City Farm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Coffee Morning at Dagenham & Redbridge 9:00-11:00

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June** – Class/ group photographs

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June** – Road Safety Roadshow **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June** – 3G Upminster Bridge visit

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June** – 3Z & 3T Upminster Bridge visit



## Thrive School of Excellence



Thrive School of Excellence 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to the last half term of this academic year. This is often the most difficult half term as our Year 6 children start thinking of their transition to senior school and each child realises they will be moving to the next year group in September.

It can also be a time when better weather encourages the use of bicycles and scooters. Of course we welcome our children using their bikes and scooters but please make sure they get off them before entering the school gate. As we all now go through the same gate, it means over a thousand people are using this space every morning and afternoon. Please make sure your child walks in the school grounds so we can keep them and everyone safe.

Our first priority is keeping everyone safe so we are alarmed at the number of times we have dismissed a child to their responsible adult, to find that the child has gone missing once in their adult's care. Please be very vigilant from the moment you collect your child as this is such a busy time.

We unlock our gates and open our doors at 8:30 to ensure all children are safely in school and starting lessons at 8:45 sharp. We still have a number of children arriving at the gate at 8:45. This is not fair on them as they have to enter a classroom that is already settled and working. Also, please make sure your child is not alone in the school grounds before the gates open as they are not supervised until 8:30.

We wish you a happy weekend.

Selina Frazer and Michael Kaitell
Co-Headteachers

## **Team Points**

## Attendance

TEAM POINTS
Tigers
715
Bears
536
Wolves
501
Sharks
632
Komodo Dragon
614

Congratulations to 1H in Key Stage 1 who achieved <u>98.47%</u> this week and to 5D in Key Stage 2 with <u>97.96%</u>

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
RB	91.71	2D	98.10	4TH	91.23
RH	92.49	2K	94.79	5A	92.16
RR	97.98	3G	95.96	5D	97.96
1H	98.47	3T	94.29	5Y	92.11
1K	87.31	3Z	91.67	6E	90.78
1L	89.76	4G	93.22	6L	97.47
2A	94.44	4R	97.27	6N	94.90



## School Uniform

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

In a hope to reduce the cost of school uniform, from September, you will have the option to purchase iron-on badges for plain white polo shirts and plain red jumpers. Badges will cost £1.20 and should make uniform more affordable.

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:

### @HuntersHallPS

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

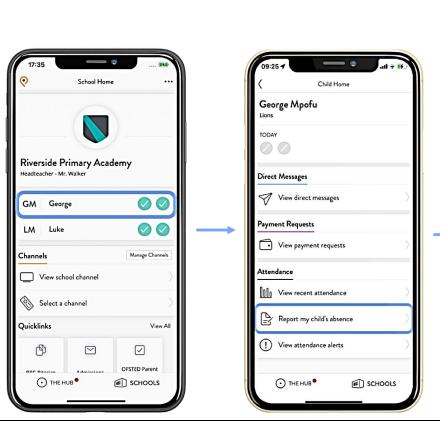
In the app, parents just tap the 'translate' button in the bottom right of a message.

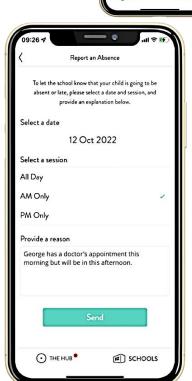
This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

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







## Our Garden



Yesterday, after school, Miss Ede's merry band of gardeners planted up some herbs and flowers in the garden. They have added the signs to say that visitors to the garden can touch and smell the plants. So if you visit the garden please be encouraged to do so.

The garden is a space for all. Especially for children who need brain/rest breaks and time-out of class.

Miss Ede has left a watering-can which can be used to water the pots.

After the hub-bub of the classrooms and corridors the garden is a calm and quiet place.

Miss Ede has provided 5 large picnic blankets too. 6E have tested them out and read outside, but they can be used for a host of other quiet activities. Whilst 6E were reading in the garden recently, another class came out and were drawing and they co-existed for the session quite happily sharing the space quietly and respectfully of each other's activities; It was really lovely!

## Did you know?

Miss Ede is a fully trained Forest School Leader.

https://www.thegardenclassroom.org.uk/education/







Click the links below to discover a wealth of outdoor learning opportunities.

- https://www.thegardenclassroom.org.uk/education/eyfs/
- https://www.thegardenclassroom.org.uk/education/ks1/
- https://www.thegardenclassroom.org.uk/education/ks2/

Year 1 require shoe boxes for an art project. We require one box per child. Please send in for the attention of Miss Hopkin - Yr 1 Teacher

Thank you





## Coffee Morning at Dagenham & Redbridge



Dear Parents/Carers

Come join me for a coffee on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June from 9:00-11:00 am at the Dagenham & Redbridge Football Club



Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Patrick Bellevue
Family Support Worker

## Joyful June

# Joyful June 2023

## MONDAY TUESDAY

## WEDNESDAY

## **THURSDAY**

## **FRIDAY**

## SATURDAY

## SUNDAY







Decide to look for what's good every day this month

Say positive things in your conversations with others Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpfu way to think about it Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings Do something healthy which makes you feel good Find joy in music: sing, play, dance, listen or share Ask a friend what made them happy recently Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

Write
a gratitude
letter to thank
someone

Take a
light-hearted
approach.
Choose to see
the funny side

Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

Speak to others in a warm and friendly way Take time to notice things that you find beautiful Look for something good in a difficult situation

Get outside and find the joy in being active Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh Create a playlist of uplifting song to listen to Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for 25 Show your appreciation to people who are helping others



Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people Share a friendly smile with people you see today Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)



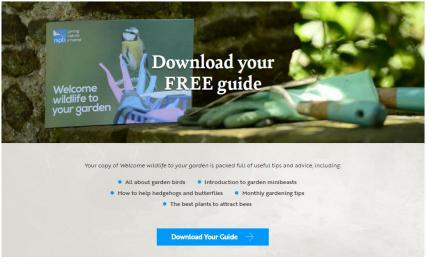
**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS** 

**Happier** · **Kinder** · **Together** 

## Bird House

Thank you to Mrs Hodder for donating this wonderful Bird Feeder – It will take pride of place in our school garden and will welcome many species of birds to our school.



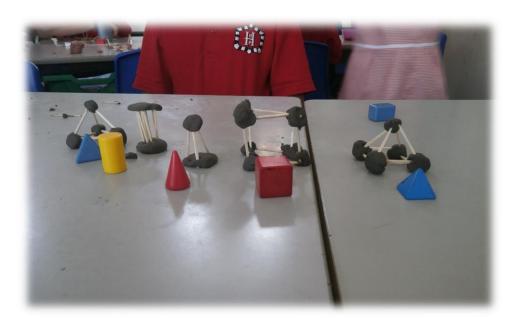


https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/welcome-wildlife-to-your-garden/download-your-free-guide/

## Year 3 - 3D Shapes

In 3G today, we have been making 3D shapes using sticks and plasticine. It was hard work but fun.

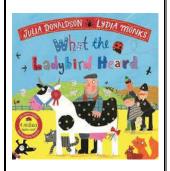






## **Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall**

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 Mrs Roche's recommendations:



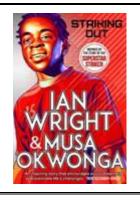
## Reading interest: 4-8

'What the Ladybird Heard' is fun to read as it has a rhyming text. The story is very funny because Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len end up digging in the muck pile and end up very smelly indeed!



## Reading interest: 8-12

A couple of years ago we had a new addition to our family; a puppy called Archie. I've always loved dogs so a story about a dog that dances was a perfect read for me.



## Reading interest: 10-adult

'Striking Out' by Ian Wright and Musa Okwonga is based on the footballer Ian Wright's child hood. It is a really uplifting story about the importance of friendship. I recommend it for any budding sportsperson.











## 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 assembles and workshops)



## Aims of our Team

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



## 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.





## 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.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionaryhardship-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 DH





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## 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.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionary-hardship-support/hardship-payment-schemes/household-support-fund

to find out more and apply online





Barking & Dagenham



## IN 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 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

instrument required.

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