



Dates for the Diary

Autumn Term

Monday 2nd October – School Photographs – Individual

Thursday 5th October – Space Day menu (see poster)

Thursday 5th October – Yr 4 Science Museum Visit

Wednesday 18th October – Thursday 19th October – Parent/Carer Open Evening

Friday 20th October – INSET Day (no pupils)

Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October – Half Term Holidays

Attendance Matters

Congratulations to **1KS** in Key Stage 1 with **98.28%** and **3G** in Key Stage 2 with **99.17%**

Class	Attendance %
Class 3G	99.17
Class 4T	98.61
Class 5N	98.56
Class 1KS	98.28
Class 1H	97.75
Class 1L	97.71
Class 2W	97.32
Class 6E	97.32
Class FT Nursery	96.88
Class 2D	96.55
Class 3Z	96.55
Class 4G	96.55
Class 3R	96.54
Class 2K	96.30
Class 5A	96.15
Class 6D	95.19
Class 4N	93.72
Class 5H	93.72
Class 6AM	90.74
Class RH	88.59
Class RR	88.10
Class RB	87.89
Class AM NURSERY	84.21
Class PM NURSERY	73.21



Dear Parent/Carer,

It is very apt that our “Who’s Who? feature” this week is Ms Vernon, our science lead as this week we were told that we had achieved the Primary Science Quality Mark Gilt. This acknowledges the superb science work that takes place at Hunters Hall on a weekly basis.

Overall comment	It was an absolute privilege to read your PSQM GILT submission. Such carefully thought through developments which make the most of your science curriculum. Little tweaks i.e. like involving parents in predicting and the residential exploiting every opportunity to strengthen science. The children clearly enjoy science. Truly humbling to read and great leadership.
	Well done.
	Reviewer’s signature <i>W. J. Precious</i> Dr. Wendy Precious

Congratulations to you all on achieving the Primary Science Quality Mark Gilt. Science is clearly going from strength to strength.

Thank you to everyone who made today’s Coffee Morning a huge success and a special mention to Mr Bellevue for organising the event. All money raised will be split between Macmillan and KGH Cancer charity.



As you can see from the diary dates, on Monday, the school photographers will be in to take the children’s individual photographs. Please ensure that your children are wearing correct school uniform. If they have PE on a Monday, your child will need to bring their PE kit into school in a small bag.

This week at school we have been thinking about how Hunters Hall has a culture of safeguarding. The children have been set a challenge to produce a poster or 2-minute video clip about how to make the Internet a better, safer place. (See details in this edition of Snippets)

As I walked around the school premises today, I was taken by the variety of displays which the children and staff have produced for our corridors. Please visit this link:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/JYdJTPrdxfsAqT7u9> to see some of the displays – you will get the opportunity to see all of them when you come into school for open evening on 18th/19th October.

I want to end this edition of Snippets by celebrating the fact that Abbie Blewitt made it through to Barking & Dagenham’s District Football Team. We will track Abbie’s progress as she continues to excel with her football career.

Have a lovely weekend. Looking forward to seeing the many new haircuts and styles for the school photos on Monday.

Michael Kaitell
Headteacher

Gold Award Debit Card Recipients

Each week we publish any recipients of the new Gold Award Debit Card.

Gold Award Recipients

Name	Class
Arthur Buraga	1H
Reid Clarke	3Z

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:

@HuntersHallIPS

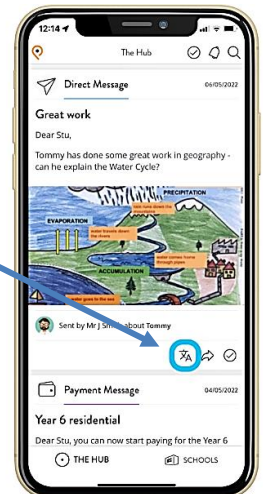
How to translate messages in the Parent Hub app (guidance for schools)

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

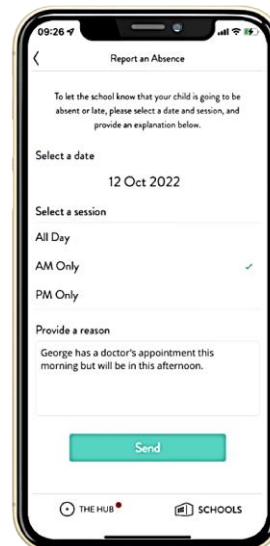
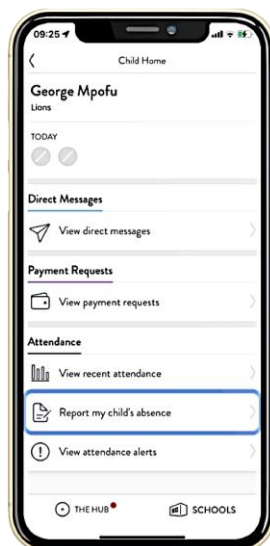
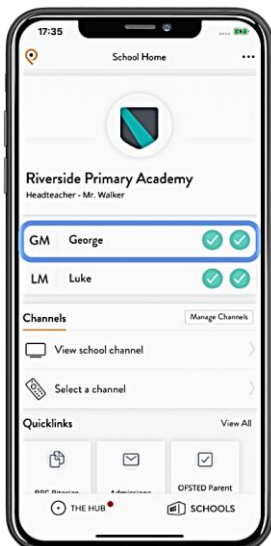
This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

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



Uniform Reminder & PE Days 2023-2024

During the course of this academic year, we are phasing out some of our school uniform in an effort to make it more affordable for our parent body.

Our school uniform provider now sells school badges for £1.20 so that you are able to purchase plain white polo shirts/ plain red jumpers/cardigans and iron on the badge. (Our current provider will continue to sell their stock of red and grey uniform items and staff has been informed that it is a gradual phase out)

We have reduced the number of days that children require their school uniform by allowing them to wear their PE kit on two days of the week. (You will be notified if there is a special day such as school photographs so that you can ensure that children are dressed appropriately.)

School Uniform

White Polo Shirt (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Red jumper/ Cardigan (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Grey school trousers/ skirt/ shorts

Summer Dress

Plain black shoes/ trainers



PE Kit

Plain white t-shirt

Red shorts

Red/ Grey jogging bottoms

Red fleece

Black plimsolls



PE Days 2023-2024

PE Days

Year Group	PE Day 1	PE Day 2
Reception		Thursday
Year 1	Monday	Tuesday
Year 2	Monday	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 4	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday	Thursday

Swimming is part of the national curriculum. Children in Year 4 and 6 are offered swimming lessons. From time to time, other selected pupils are given the opportunity.

Children must have a suitable swimming costume, a towel and a swimming hat.

This year, we will be operating a mobile swimming pool on the school site during June and July. |

POLITE REMINDER - Very Important

The closing date for your online application and the other information we ask for is

31 October 2023

Apply online for a secondary-phase school place now:

www.lbbd.gov.uk/admissions



Parents of children in Year 6 must apply online for their secondary school places before 31st October 2023.

All information can be found at the following link:

<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/moving-secondary-school>

If you require any assistance with the application process, please speak to Mr Bellevue.

Who's Who? Miss Vernon

Why do you work at Hunters Hall?

From the moment I walked through the door of Hunters Hall I felt the warmth of the school. I've been here so long it feels like home! I love teaching members of the same family and have even taught an ex-pupil's child!

What's your role?

I am the Science Co-ordinator here as well as a teacher. I love teaching Science. My favourite part is seeing the awe and wonder from the children when they investigate something.

Favourite things e.g. author, foods, holiday destination, hobbies;

Following Mr Bellevue's addition, I have to say I'm an avid Spurs supporter! I also love word games especially Wordle and quizzes which is why I love running the Junior Mastermind competition in the Summer Term. I love reading fiction as well as non-fiction. I am reading a non-fiction book at the moment called Attached by Amir Levine and Rachel Heller. For holidays, I love a cruise as it's so much fun discovering new places.

Own School Memories

I used to love taking part in school plays in primary and secondary school. I've always had a love for reading and teaching as I was always helping my friends with their work! I have fond memories of school but remember it was hard at times too. I have wanted to be a teacher since the age of 7 so I am living my dream! 😊

Hopes & Dreams

I only wish health and happiness for my friends and family. I have achieved two dreams. One to be a teacher and the other to be a counsellor. I work as both now so I am very blessed. Oh and Spurs to win a trophy!!!

How Long have you been at Hunters Hall?

I started working here on 1st July 2000. I was a young 22-year-old and hope to stay until I retire!

Achievements to date (in order)

Achieving my degree in teaching.

Becoming a mum.

Achieving my diploma in Counselling and Psychotherapy.



Competition Time

Produce a poster or 2-minute video clip "Staying Safe online and offline"

Closing date Friday 3rd November 2023 –

All entries to Mr Kaitell via the office@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk or front reception.

childnet.com/film



How would you make the internet a better place?

1

Let's start by thinking about the theme broadly:

- What does 'the internet' mean to you?
- What would a better internet be like?
- Do you have any film ideas already?

2

Next, use the questions below to discuss what the internet is like now, and how it could be better.

The positives of the internet	Internet issues	A better internet...
What are the best parts of going online?	What problems do you see online?	What could improve the best parts of the internet?
How does the internet help people?	What could be improved about the internet?	How can the problems with the internet be fixed?
What exciting changes are taking place online?	What online issues are important to young people?	How can you make those changes happen?



https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-matters/modules/?user_type=student

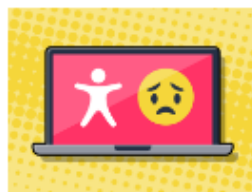


Copyright and Ownership

What is copyright? Learn what it is and isn't okay to share online, including problems caused by sharing others' work without permission.

15 mins

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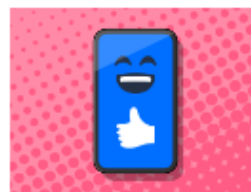


Self-Image and Identity

Understand how people can present themselves differently online than off along with issues that could impact individual identity and feelings.

15 mins

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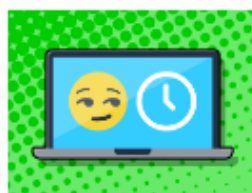


Online Reputation

Learn what it means to create a positive online reputation for yourself and others, including how information about anyone can be created, copied or shared by others.

15 mins

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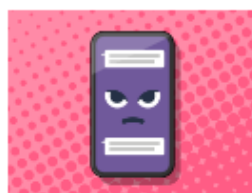


Health, Wellbeing and Lifestyle

From balancing screen time to managing online peer pressure, learn how to recognise challenges online and when it's time for a break.

15 mins

[View Lessons](#)



Online Bullying

Learn how to recognise bullying behaviours online. Understand how to get support when you or someone you know is experiencing cyberbullying.

15 mins

[View Lessons](#)



Privacy and Security

Learn about privacy and how to stay secure online. From password strength to algorithms, this subject is designed to help users protect their personal information online.

15 mins

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Online Relationships

Learn about the difference between healthy and unhealthy online behaviours and how to appropriately interact with people online.

15 mins

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Managing Online Information

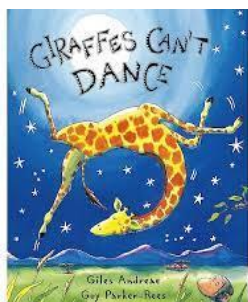
False news. Misinformation. Satire. Learn about the different types of information and how to think critically about what you see online.

15 mins

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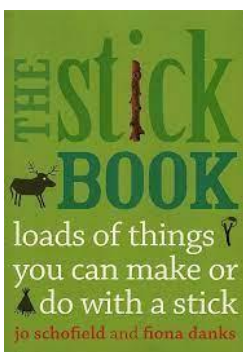
Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall

For this half term, a member of staff will be making their recommendations for great books that explore one of our core values. This week we look at **CREATIVITY**. At school we have the opportunity to be creative and to express ourselves in different ways. This week's recommendations by Mrs Belcher.



Reading interest: 4-8

'Giraffes Can't Dance' by Giles Andreae is such a joyful, funny book. Giraffes can't dance, can they? Of course they can!



Reading interest: 8-12

I love being outside. This book has lots of ideas for imaginative play and creativity. All you need to do is get up, go outside, and get a stick! – 'The Stick Book. Loads of things you can make or do with a stick by Jo Schofield and Fiona Danks.



Reading interest: 10-adult

'The Escape Room' by Christopher Edge is a book for children who like gaming and adventure stories. It's a fast paced story about a group of friends who have to think creatively to save the world before time runs out.



Jobs Fair



When:

Wednesday 11th October

10.30am to 1pm

Where:

Dagenham Library
1 Church Elm Lane,
RM10 9QS

Hosted by Barking and Dagenham
Council and Job Centre Plus.

There will be live vacancies
to apply for on the day plus
professional careers advice
and guidance.

Sectors covered:

- Cleaning
- Construction
- Health & Social Care
- Childcare
- Hospitality
- Security and more

For further details please
email vacancies@lbbd.gov.uk

Coffee Morning



PLAY AND COMMUNICATE

O-5YEARS WITH SPEECH & LANGUAGE NEEDS



CYPD-Hub

SIX WEEKS PROGRAM, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS

Come along with your child to explore different range of activities that support their communication. You will meet other parents/guardians and you will be able to speak to professionals about concerns related to your child's growth and development for advice and suggestions. This session is for children with SEN/D.

THURSDAYS: 4:00-5:30PM

FRIDAYS: 10:00-11:30AM

Address: Becontree Community Hub

Wanted

We are in need of towels. Do you have any you could donate to the school. Please send them in to the school office.



Thank you

Menu Change - 5th October

SPACE DAY

MAINS

- 'APOLLO 11 - HOTDOG IN A BUN
- 'ATLAS V - HALAL HOTDOG IN A BUN
- 'VOYAGER 1 - VEGGIE HOTDOG IN A BUN
- 'CHALLENGER - TWISTER CHIPS
- 'SPACE X STARSHIP - SWEETCORN
- 'COSMIC' - CRUNCHY COLESLAW

DESSERT

- 'DELTA 11 - SUGARED DOUGHNUT
- 'FALCON 1 - FRUIT PLATTER

**THURSDAY
5TH
OCTOBER**

LOOK OUT YOU COULD BE A WINNER

Pupil Premium Form <https://eforms.lbbd.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

Barking & Dagenham

PUPIL PREMIUM REGISTRATION FORM

We need information about you and your child, so that we can provide them with the best education and support by making sure that their school receives all the government funding to which it is entitled. Please complete this form and return to your child's school.

ABOUT YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN

M/F	Childs First Name	Childs Last Name	Childs date of Birth	Name of School	Date started school

PARENT/GUARDIAN DETAILS

	Parent/Guardian 1	Parent/Guardian 2
Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms..)		
First Name		
Last Name		
Your Date of Birth (DD MM YYYY)		
National Insurance Number*		
National Asylum Support Service (NASS) Reference*		
Daytime Contact Number		
Address		

* Complete as appropriate

FAMILY INCOME AND BENEFIT DETAILS -

Please place an X in the appropriate box

- Is your total joint family income over £16,190 per year, or
- Are you (or your partner) receiving WORKING Tax Credits, or
- If you are in receipt of Universal Credit, is your total joint family income £7,400.00 per year or more (earnings after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Yes No

If you have ticked yes, you do not need to complete the next section and can go straight to the declaration at the end of the form.

If you ticked no, please place an X in this box if you¹ are in receipt of any of the benefits listed below:

- Child Tax credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (earnings after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Please place an X in the below box if you are not sure whether:

- Your total joint family income is over £16,190 per year, or
- You (or your partner) are receiving WORKING Tax Credits, or
- If you are in receipt of Universal Credit, your total joint family income is £7400.00 per year or more (earnings after tax and not including any benefits you get)

but you would still like us to check whether your child is eligible for free school meals:

DECLARATION

The information I have given on this form is complete and accurate. I understand that my personal information is held securely and will be used only for local authority purposes. I agree to the local authority using this information to process my application for Pupil Premium (free school meals) for the duration of their school life attending an LBBD school including any moves made during this time. I also agree to notify the local authority in writing of any change in my family's financial circumstances as set out in this form.

Signature of parent/guardian:

Date:.....

¹ This includes those who have parental rights for the child/children named on this form.



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

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.lbbd.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.lbbd.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