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ATTENDANCE

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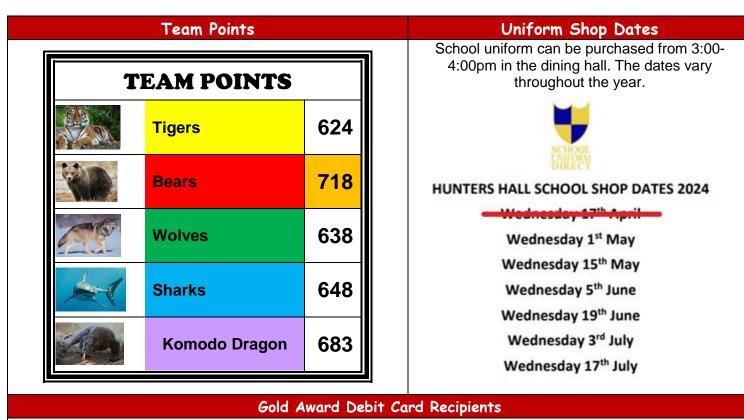
Hunters Hall Primary School Snippets

Issue: 27 April 2024

	Dates for	the Diary		Dear Parent/Carer,
Mon		er Term nk Holiday – School		Welcome back to the Summer Term – this is the term when we see lots of "Eureka" moments with our children as they see how
close	ed	day 16th May – Year		learning is connected and the lightbulb flash occurs.
SAT	s			Good luck to anyone running the London Marathon this
Mon Holic		31st May – Half Ter	m	weekend. We know about one dad who is doing it for the second time and hope that he achieves his target of under 4 hours.
		ISET Day (no pupils)	
	sday 4 th June – F ren 8:30am	irst day back for		My mantra is that if at least one person is positively impacted by something we say or do, then it is worth doing. Elsie from Year 6
		- Class Photographs		told me that she and her family completed the Guide Dog trail at
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st June – Sports				Canary Wharf, which was featured in my last edition of Snippets. So, I shall continue sharing walking trails. The latest one that my
Week & Sports Day (More details to follow) Tuesday 25th June – Choir Concerts)	family has completed is Smiley World by Battersea Power
Friday 19 th July – Reports out to				Station which is on until Sunday 19 th May 2024.
parents/carers Wednesday 24 th July - Last day of term.				There are 15 yellow emoji sculptures to discover.
1pm finish.				
Attendance Matters				
Congratulations to the classes in green 96%+:		% +:		
		Attendance %		
	Class	Present		
	6D	99		
	RGM	98.9		
		98.7		
	6AM 1H	98.1 97.8		
	5H	97.4		
	2K	97		
	1L	95.7		
	5N	95.2		https://batterseapowerstation.co.uk/events/smileyworld-art-trail/
	3Z	94.6		
	5A	94.6		(A copy of the map is in this edition of Snippets)
	RH	93.8		Don't forget that it is Earth Day on Monday. As an individual, you
	6E	93.5		yield real power and influence as a consumer, a voter, and a
	4T	93.3		member of a community that can unite for change. Don't underestimate your power. When your voice and your actions
	RR	93.2		are united with thousands or millions of others around the world,
	4G	90.9		we create a movement that is inclusive, impactful, and
	4N	90.9		impossible to ignore. Every Earth Day can drive a year of
	3R	90.1		energy, enthusiasm, and commitment to create a new plan of action for our planet.
	2CR	90		
	3G	89.7		On Tuesday, it will be St George's Day, this day celebrates our

On Tuesday, it will be St George's Day, this day celebrates our patron saint of England. Mrs Hodder has set a competition for everyone to draw a picture. All entrants will have their designs displayed in school and the winning entries in next week's snippets.

> Michael Kaitell Headteacher



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

Gold Award Recipients

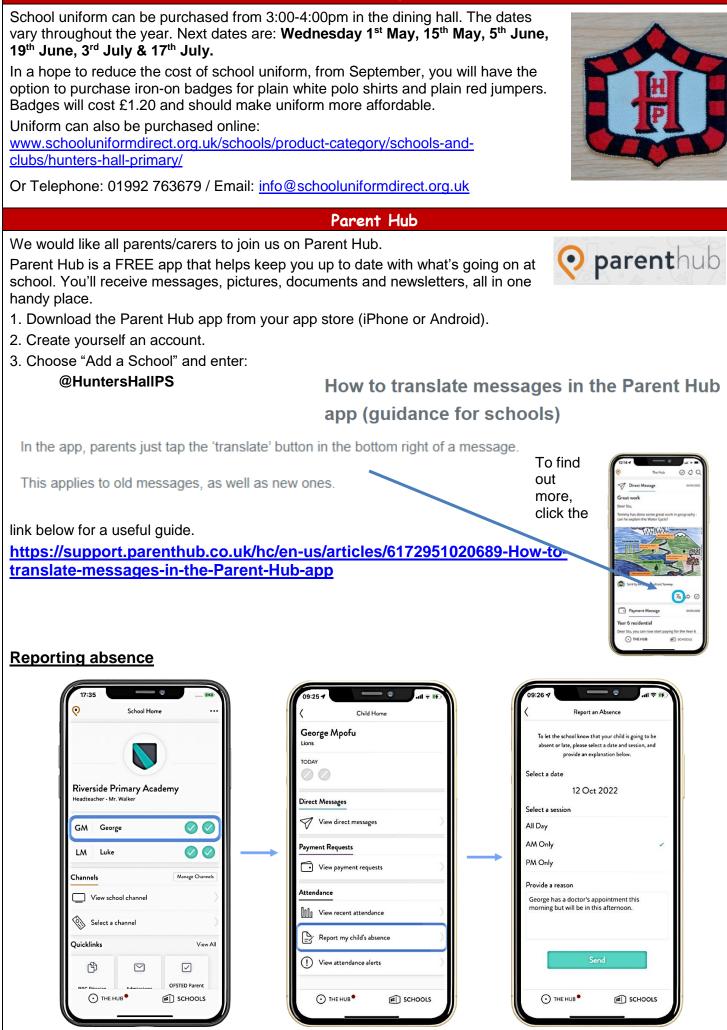
Name	Class
Sanaya Azkarzadah	RB
Jenson Sellick	6D
Mia Maliaukaite	5N
Sabella Ciolca	2D
Zahra Ali	2D
Jannah Halim	2D

Swimming Achievement

Meda (4G) attended a swimming event last weekend and won 1st place in the 200m Individual Medley, and three 2nd places for 100m Breaststroke, 100m Freestyle and 100m Butterfly. Meda is the 3rd fastest swimmer in Essex in 100m Butterfly.

Meda would like to inspire and encourage other children to dream big andwork hard so all their dreams can come true.





School Uniform

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.

Who's Who? Mrs Hearty

Why do you work at Hunters Hall?

I came here as a trainee teacher and straight away felt at home. I've always loved the community here and enjoyed the 'family' vibe this school has.

What's your role?

Class Teacher currently in Reception.

Favourite things...

I love to travel and take every opportunity to experience new places and cultures. I also enjoy reading in my spare time. My favourite authors are Khaled Hosseini and Dan Browne. I also enjoy going to the theatre. Most importantly I love chips!

Hopes & Dreams

I hope to inspire those around me to never give up and to remember that things will get better. I would love to learn a martial art.

How long have you been at Hunters Hall?

I have been at Hunters Hall for 9 years at the end of this term.

Achievements to date (in order)

Completing my teacher training (PGCE). Not only did my training end with me becoming a teacher, I also met my husband while training. When someone asks me what I do I very proudly say teacher, even after 9 years. One of my greatest achievements is becoming a mother :)

Wanted

Launchpad needs you!

If you could kindly donate any toys/materials for the Launchpad, to help us create engaging small worlds, we would be very appreciative. Let's help each other where we can do the best for our children and provide them with the resources needed to learn through play while having fun. Examples include; small world sets, figures, sand, hay/straw, toys etc. Thank you very much - Launchpad Team.









Year 4 Short Suspenseful Stories

The focus initially was around grammar and Miss Mullaney very quickly picked up that they were so nervous about getting something wrong that it stopped their imaginations from flowing. So, they went back to their starter text, 'The Dot,' and focused on feelings, which led them to look at synonyms and then stories that create emotion (particularly suspense).

After that, the children chose a picture as a hook and they began thinking about what was happening, they looked at 'flashbacks' and how to create suspense in language, such as short sentences, cliff-hangers, and ellipsis. Here are the results...



Mysterious by Skye

A mysterious girl with a mysterious name, Luna, Luna was her name. Nobody really knew Luna. She wore a long black coat and some grey shorts, a white top and blue and grey striped socks. OH. Her most favourite thing of all was her necklace. Her necklace had a key on it, nobody knew where It led, she didn't either.

Luna went to a school far away from where she lived, like in another world. One day when she was walking out of class, her key suddenly started vibrating and making a strange noise, 'AAAH AAH AHHH AHH AAAH.' Luna didn't know what to do at first, her conscience said to just turn around but without a second to spare, something inside of her said to follow it. The chances of something good happening was 50% but Luna knew she had to follow her gut.

While she was following the strange noise, her imagination got the best of her. 'PIRATES, it could lead me to pirates. I'll have to fight them for treasure.' Luna thought some more, 'maybe it leads me to my own castle. Or, or...' Luna was day dreaming, she hit a wall but the wall shocked her because it caved in and in the middle of the room was a...

The Scary Library by Della

Molly was in her bed reading a bed time story. Mysteriously, she felt a big hand grab her ankle and she was pulled under the bed and ended up in a library. She was getting chased by monsters from her books. As she ran, she realised she was in a dark and gloomy tunnel. She was so scared and frightened, the tunnel was going on and on. She couldn't out run them! Suddenly, there was a loud roar and footsteps, all the monsters went quiet. Not a sound was heard. All the monsters stood still.



Molly heard the footsteps getting louder and saw someone. Molly screamed, 'Ahhhhhhh!' She ran so fast, as fast as a cheetah and then fell down.

When she got up, there was a mysterious man standing in front of her, she fainted...

When Molly awoke, she was being dragged to a secret place, when she tried to escape, she fell down a tube and it went down,

down,

down.

What was happening? Suddenly, she was in an old house, she wandered around and she noticed it was her house, all old and covered in spider webs. As she looked to her left, she saw her bedroom with the familiar books she had been reading...no, not again!

The Mystery by Mya





I walked in to the library, there was a little girl who I could hear screaming. Is she OK? All of a sudden, a tiger appeared, it had red eyes and moved slowly towards me. Why is it acting like that? Suddenly, the library filled with smoke, it was dark! The tiger started hissing, 'sssss,' the girl moved, she turned her neck, she had no head! It turned dark and I could feel the tiger running towards me so I ran until I saw a bright light. I didn't make it and I tripped, 'AH AH AH AH AH AH AH AH ...'

I awoke, it was all a dream but then a knock at the door, it was the girl with no head! Was it a dream or wasn't it...?

That Terrible Day by Sophia

It was grey and foggy afternoon. Daisy went to Rosie's house so they could stitch a scarf. It was a homework project set by their teacher. Suddenly, Daisy started to see a purple light through the window. It was shining in to her eyes and she could hear thunder beating like a drum. As she got closer, she realised the light was saying her name, 'Daisy!'

'Yes, who is it?' answered Daisy.

Mysteriously, the light picked Daisy up and Rose screamed, panicking. Rose started to throw shoes at Daisy as she was making strange noises. Suddenly, and without a sound, Daisy disappeared in to thin air. Rose stood in shock, her mouth wide open...

Yummy by Hannah

Lulu fell in to a dark, dark, dark hole. She landed with a gentle bump. Feeling scared and confused, she opened her eyes and saw nothing, it was pitch black. Lulu searched for her torch and turned it on, she thought she was silly for not using the torch when she first fell. As she looked around she saw a door, but it wasn't any ordinary door. It was a bright, colourful rainbow door with marshmallows stuck to it. She wanted to eat the marshmallow but instead she ate a colourful pastel macaroon. Feeling brave, she opened the door and she saw Disneyland!



Lulu was shocked to see where she was. She had the best day and ate three giant donuts and won a Plushie and Squishmellow. She closed her eyes for a moment and when she opened them she was at a hotel in the city. She closed her eyes tightly thinking of Disneyland and when she opened them again, she saw a mysterious door. Should she eat a macaroon or a marshmallow?



Town Abandoned by Daniel

A dark and gloomy river, where ships deliver boxes. It used to be a place where people could have fun, but that was years ago. Birds fly above looking very sad. A boy called Tom went travelling across the river and thought, 'What happened to this place?'

What could be behind the door? by Mason

Patrick opened the door and...



Before this, Patrick was in his bed and suddenly some mysterious creature whispered, 'Bye bye,' in his ear. Without warning, Patrick heard a creak and his bed fell through the floor, he landed with a thump! A door stood in front of him, he opened it, looked around and saw an evil world full of lava that if you explored it, would give you a 99% chance of death. Patrick explored this deadly world. As time passed, Patrick was worried and tried to leave and made his way back to the door, but then, he hears a mysterious voice...'bye bye!'

The Door by Zainab



Tiny drops of rain began to fall.

Meanwhile, Sam and Ella were eating breakfast, then Sam said, 'I'm feeling adventurous, I'm going on a hike.'

'Are you sure?' said Ella, but as soon as she looked at Sam, she was already gone. 'Not again,' sighed Ella.

Sam was in the car and driving to the lovely mountains, 'Ah, nice and peaceful.' Just then, Sam saw a door. It was embroidered with flowers.

As Sam got out of the car and went to open the door, Ella appeared, 'Stopppp!' said Ella, 'Don't open the door, you're not ready. Please come home.' Sam did not listen. Ella did not want Sam to end up like her...a monster. Sam turned to look at Ella but she had disappeared. 'AHHHHH,' Sam ran through the door and without warning, the door disappeared.



Man on the Moon by Muhamad

Once upon a time, there was a house and a man. The man had a house that was the moon and his house was gold, his light was silver and his floor was bronze. The people were so excited, they believed there was treasure in there!

Title by Zikrah

Ben saw a red eyed tiger looking at him. He went outside and heard a loud noise, it was like a lion roaring, then he heard a voice, 'What is your name?'

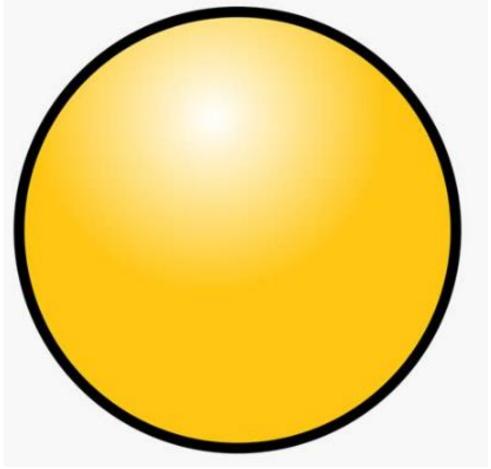
He speedily ran towards a mysterious hut in the distance. 'Please don't leave!' he heard behind him, 'Please help me.' There was a bash and a crash and Ben stopped, looked back and saw nothing but a dark mysterious fog.







I love receiving our children's artwork. If you would like to design your own emoji, please send it in to me and I will display in future Snippets. You can email <u>office@hunters-</u> <u>hall.bardaglea.org.uk</u>



April Calendar

APRIL

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Key

* Holy day that usually begins in the evening or at sunset of the previous day ** Date may vary to this because of religious customs

Religious/cultural Awareness and events Public holiday

April is autism awareness month, stress awareness month, bowel cancer awareness month and Parkinson's awareness month.

Religious/cultural

- 1 Easter Monday Christian
- 6 Laylat al-Qadr ** Islam
- 9 Chaitra Navratri begins Hindu
- 9 Ugadi (new year) Hindu
- 10 Eid al-Fitr * Islam
- 13 Songkran (Thai new year)
- Buddhist 13 - Vaisakhi Hindu and Sikh
- 14 Puthandu Hindu
- 15 Navpad Oli begins Jain
- 17 Rama Navami Hindu
- 18 Birthday of Guru Angad Dev
- 21 First day of Ridvan * Baha'i
- 21 Mahavir Janma Kalyanak Jain
- 21 Grounation day Rastafari
- 23 Saint George's day Christian
- 23 Hanuman Jayanti Hindu
- 23-30 Passover * Judaism

24-26 - Theravada new year **

25 - Feast of saint Mark the

evangelist Catholic Christian 27 - Lazarus Saturday Orthodox

Christian

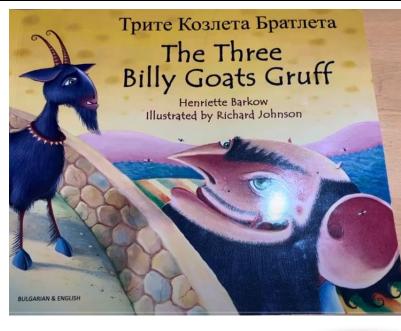
28 - Palm Sunday Orthodox Christian 29 - Ninth day of Ridvan * Baha'i

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 30 - Saint James the great's day
 Orthodox Christian

Awareness and events

- 1 Fools' day
- 2 World autism awareness day
- 6 International asexuality day
- 7 World health day 8 - International Romani day
- 22 Earth day
- 22-28 Multiple sclerosis
- awareness week
- 25 World malaria day
- 26-28 TUC's black workers'
- conference 26 - Lesbian visibility day
- 28 World day for health and safety at work

Mrs Hobday is reading..

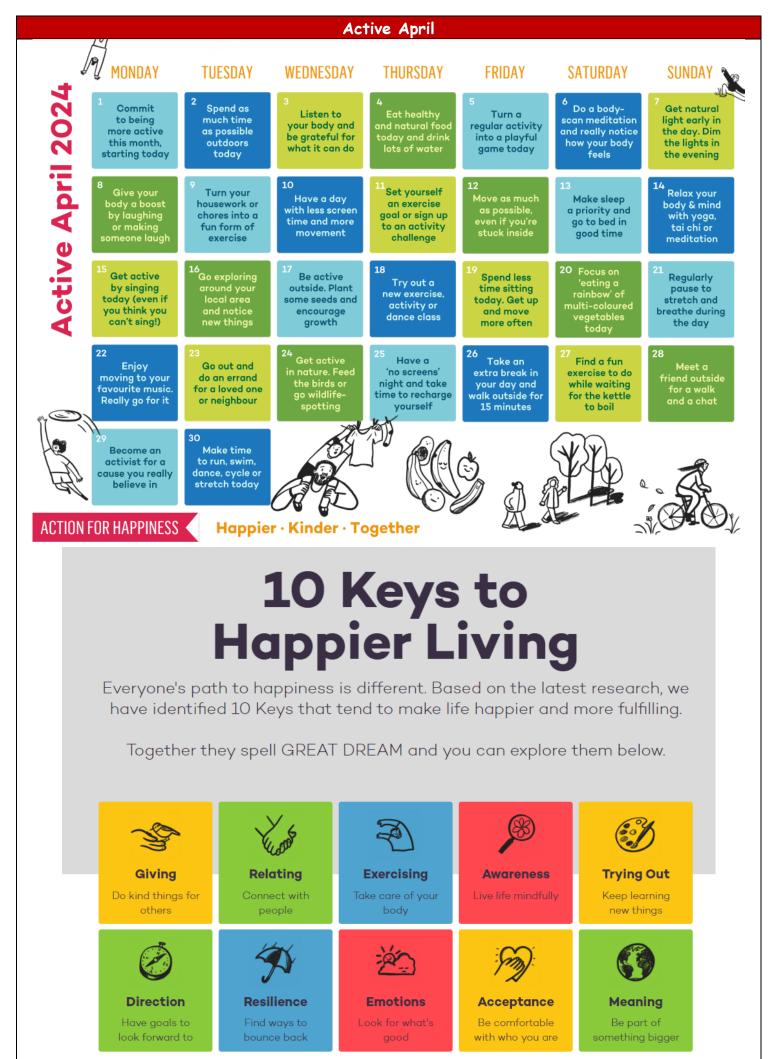


https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iG-XEYWOq7M

We know how successful and enjoyable hearing Mrs Hobday read selected books has been. Mrs Hobday is looking for parent/carer volunteers to read dual language texts.

If you would like to read a book in your home language, please contact Mrs Hobday via the school office email. Office@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk





https://actionforhappiness.org/10-keys

Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall

Good friends are important. We need to have friends we can laugh and spend time with, friends we know will be there for us, always. Our new recommendations are about love and friendship. Here's our next set of recommendations. Remember, you can find them all in our library.

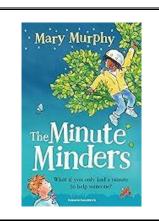


Reading interest: 4-8

'Sona Sharma Wish Me Luck' by Chitra Soundra is set in India. Sona Sharma lives with her busy family and has a busy life. Sharma and her friends adore their teacher. What will they do when she says she is leaving?

Reading interest: 8-12

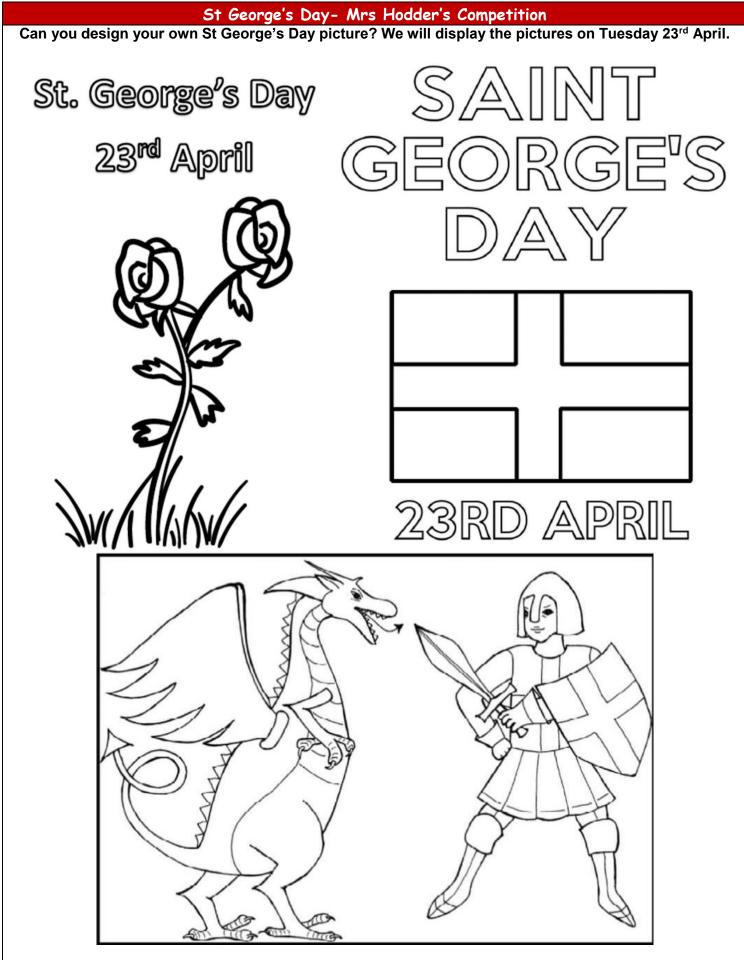
Join new friends Pixie and Wyld as they set out to solve a mystery of mermaids and magical coins, in this brilliant new adventure story from author Jack Ryder. Join the gang on another unforgettable adventure, full of magic and mayhem - for fans of The Famous Five and Roald Dahl.



Reading interest: 10-adult

Stevie Clipper is a fidder – a tiny person that humans cannot see and shouldn't know that the exist. Well that's the rule, anyway but Stevie Clipper is not good at following rules, particularly when a human he cares about is in big trouble. 'The Minute Minders' by Mary Murphy is a really good read with a great message. Find it in our library today.





St George isn't just the patron saint for England. He also holds this position for Aragon, Catalonia, Georgia, Lithuania, Palestine, Portugal, Germany, Greece, Moscow, Istanbul, Genoa and Venice. The flag of Saint George - a red cross on a white background - is England's national flag and is incorporated into the Union Flag (the UK's flag).

Learn more by visiting: https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-st-georges-day



Dagenham RUFC are recruiting for their new Mini's teams for the 2024/25 season We welcome Boys AND Girls that will be age 6 and 7 on 31/08/24 (Children starting Year 2 & Year 3 in Sept) for fun-led, non-contact TAG rugby. Training held on Sunday mornings 9.30am to 10.30am Starting Sunday 1^{er} September at Central Park, Dagenham, RM10 7EJ No previous experience necessary. For more information please contact Mark on 07739032455 or visit

www.dagenhamrufc.co.uk





Further information can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.englandrugby.com/news/article/rugbys-free-and-changing-young-lives-in-dagenham</u>

Donations Needed

WE NEED YOUR

DONATIONS NEEDED

At Hunters Hall we pride ourselves on our community spirit and how we all look after one another. We have our own bank of food, toiletries and house hold products for when families fall into emergency situations.

We would like to thank you for the donations already received. If you are able to donate items to support our families in times of need, please see from the list below of helpful items:

- Non-perishable food items: rice, pasta, instant mash potato, lentils, barley, seasoning, flour.
- Tins, jars and cartons of soup, beans, tomatoes, vegetables, curry, rice pudding, custard, spaghetti, hot dog sausages, meat balls, evaporated or long life milk.
- Breakfast cereals.
- Beverages, tea, coffee, juices, instant hot chocolate.
- All toiletries, washing and cleaning products.
- All baby/infant items, nappies, wipes, creams.

We thank you in advance for your generosity, every little helps.



Mental Health Support Team





NELFT NHS

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

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

Breakfast Club

Donations Wanted

BREAKFAST CLUB

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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 $\pounds 3$ 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

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

DONATIONS NEEDED

A big thank you to everyone who has previously donated. We always need more good quality pre-loved 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

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/discretionaryhardship-support/hardship-payment-schemes/household-support-fund to find out more and apply online



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 must be in receipt of Housing Benefit or Universal Credit housing costs to qualify for a DHP

Barking & Dagenham



RockSteady

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.



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.



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.

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