

Dear Parents & Carers,

Next week is Keeping Healthy Week and children will get the opportunity to take part in a range of sporting activities and there will also be competitions between our three schools. Next Friday we are holding our annual sports day to which you are all invited. We will be starting in the afternoon from 1pm and hope that the weather is kind to us this year.

During this week children will also be learning about the importance of a healthy diet and the role of fruit and vegetables in making sure we stay healthy and strong. We encourage children to try vegetables and salad from our salad bar at lunchtime but if your child brings a packed lunch to school please support us by making sure that it contains fresh fruit and a vegetable based snack. We do not allow crisps, chocolate bars or sugary drinks in our dinner hall. Chocolate spread sandwiches are also very unhealthy and unsuitable for lunch!

Our final parents evening of the year will be on Thursday 4th July. Please make sure that you have booked an appointment on our online system or by calling the school office. At this meeting you can collect your child's summer term report and targets and see how busy they have been. Please make sure that you talk through this report with your child, celebrating where they have done well and encouraging them with their next steps ready for their move into a new year group next year.

As we near the end of term we have planned celebration assemblies for all classes in Year 1 to 6. You will receive an invitation for this but dates are also on the back of this newsletter. Children will meet their new teacher for September on Thursday 18th July and will bring home a letter on this day informing you of the teachers name and their class name. We will be saying goodbye and a big thank you to some staff who will be leaving us at the end of the term. A full staffing list will be sent to you in the final newsletter of the year.

Thank you, as always for your support in making sure the children in our school are happy and learning.

Ms Rachel Davie
Headteacher

Mr Stephen Hall
Executive Headteacher

MYTHICAL CREATURES

Year 4 have been working with our artist in residence on three dimensional mythical creature sculptures, designing then making these unusual beasts. Our final designs are now hung in pride of place in the stairwell and walkway near the Year 3 classrooms. A big thank you to Bow Arts and our lovely artist Heather! Can you think of a name for our new arrivals?



NEW LIFE

The Nursery children have been learning about 'new life'. It was an exciting event when the caterpillars arrived. The children were fascinated with how the caterpillars grew and waited in anticipation for them to turn into butterflies. The children inspected the butterflies using magnifying glasses and then described them.



The garden centre role play area was very busy and the children enjoyed getting in role as gardeners. During our 'bring a significant female' day the children did some planting which was great fun too!



BE ON TIME AT FIVE TO NINE! PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE ON TIME SO THAT CLASSES ARE NOT INTERRUPTED.

BOOK FAIR!

The Scholastic book fair will be part of our Summer Fair on **Friday 12th July**. Every single book will be half price and you can save an extra 20% by buying gift vouchers before the fair online. This means you can pay just £5 and get £6 to spend at the book fair or £10 and get £12 to spend!

The fair will be packed with fun and exciting books all at great prices - perfect for summer holiday reading!

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/giftvouchers>

KAYAKING



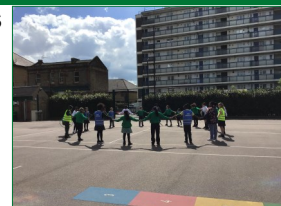
Year 6 have been visiting the Laburnum Boat Club for their kayaking sessions.

They have practised a range of skills including how to hold the paddle correctly, do basic forward and backwards strokes. They are now confident enough to practise turns and weaves!

PEER MEDIATORS

Our peer mediators went to Hoxton Garden for training on emotion coaching and a refresher in play-ground games.

They learnt new games, which they have since been facilitating in the playground with other children. They were also taught about the importance of emotions and different ways of helping children who are experience different emotions in the playground.



SUMMER TERM COFFEE MORNINGS

As well as our **Friday morning stay and read** sessions for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, all parents are invited to drop into our sessions on various themes which are held on the ground floor at 9:15am. Years 1 to 6 will be holding end of year celebration assemblies on the dates and times below to which parents are invited.

Friday 21st June	Handwriting and Spellings: Strategies to support your child's handwriting and spelling
Friday 28th June	Sports Day (EYFS, 9:30, KS1, 10:45, KS2, 2pm)
Friday 5th July	Geography: Develop enquiry skills
Monday 8th July	Year 1 Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm
Tuesday 9th July	Year 2 Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm
Thursday 11th July	Year 3 Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm
Wednesday 10th July	Year 4 Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm
Tuesday 16th July	Year 5 Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm
Thursday 18th July	Year 6 Production at 2:30pm
Friday 19th July	Year 6 Leaver Assembly at 9:30am

Key dates

Summer Term 2019

Keeping Healthy Week

(including sports day):

Starts Monday 24th June

Parents Evening:

Thursday 4th July

End of Term Finish Date:

Friday 19th July at 2pm

Autumn Term 2019

Start Date:

Wednesday 4th September

Half Term Holiday:

Monday 21st to Friday 25th October

Children Start Date:

Monday 28th October

Parents Evening:

Thursday 28th November

End of Term Finish Date:

Thursday 19th December

Spring Term 2020

Start Date:

Monday 6th January 2019

Work & Enterprise Week:

Week beginning 20th January

Half Term Holiday:

Monday 17th to

Friday 21st February

Staff Training Day:

Monday 24th February

Parents Evening:

Thursday 26th March

Finish Date:

Friday 3rd April at 2pm

Summer Term 2020

Start Date: Monday 20th April

Families Week: Starts Monday 27th April

See our website for up to date events.

You can also follow us on Facebook & Twitter!

ATTENDANCE

Children have only 190 school days in a year so coming to school everyday makes a real difference! Whole school attendance for last week was **96.34%**

Well done to Hazel, Ash & Acorn Class, the weekly winners with 100%.

