

24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to the Spring 2 half-term, and the second half of the academic year.

In our usual manner we will begin with our **Golden Expectation and Word of the Week**, which were '**Listen respectfully and follow instructions**' and '**Healthy**'. As always, we strongly encourage you to discuss these with your child(ren) as part of their home learning discussions, as our parent partners.

As our parent partners, you are invited to attend **Parents' Consultation Evening on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> March**. For those who have not done so yet, please book your preferred time slot to discuss your child(ren)'s progress at school at your earliest convenience. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/appointments/event?id=10>

Thank you to the **Y2** parents who attended yesterday's KSI SATs parents' meeting to see how they can best support their child. There will also be meetings for other year groups who have **statutory tests** this year e.g. **Y1** (phonics), **Y4** (MTC) and **Y6** (KS2 SATs) for which parents in those year groups would have received a letter and/or a text message.

- Y1 Phonics Parents' Meeting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 at 3:45pm
- Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Parents' Meeting (MTC) – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 3:45pm
- Y6 KS2 SATs meeting on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 3:45pm

Finally, on our parents as partners theme, please note that on Mondays parents can receive **DSR training** at 3:45pm in our Reception classes. This is a great opportunity to develop the skills and knowledge to support your child(ren) secure their reading skills. If you'd like more information about this please speak with either, Ms Payne, Ms Phillips or Ms Bibi at drop-off or collection time.

Upon our return from the half-term break, we had our **SIP2 visit** on Tuesday of this week, which again went very well. Laleh Laverick was impressed with the educational and pastoral provision here at Daubeney Primary and the continual progress we are making on our school improvement journey. If you have not had the opportunity to read our Spring **School Development Newsletter** shared with you before the half-term break, I strongly encourage you to do so at your convenience. I'm certain you'll be very pleased to read about the provision your child(ren) is receiving here courtesy of the hard working and dedicated staff at Daubeney.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/658#sitelive-viewer/>

Unfortunately, and predictably when we returned from the holiday there were incidents that happened online over the half-term that we had to take time to resolve. This compels me to remind parents that there are age restrictions for **social media platforms** such as Snapchat, TikTok, etc e.g. no one under the age of 13 should be on any social media platform. I say this for many reasons, but primarily to protect the psychological well-being of our children from potentially seeing images and hearing 'sounds' that may have a negative impact on their emotional well-being.

Please access the link for more information on the age restrictions for the various social media platforms. There are also the many 'petty squabbles' that teaching staff have to rectify during the school day because of things said/written on line! <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/158#sitelive-viewer/>

If you would like information from the NSPCC on how you can help to **keep your child safe online**, please access the link and you can sign up to their monthly newsletter. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-newsletter/>

As we bring the letter to a close you should all be aware that **school will be closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** due to industrial action. There have been two letters sent this week regarding this.

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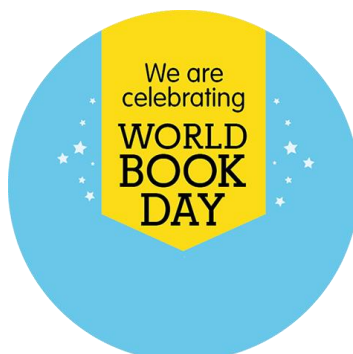
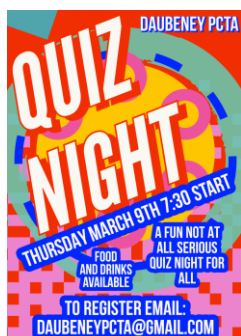
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I also strongly encourage you to regularly visit the **news and letters section** of our website to stay informed of upcoming or key events at school <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/news>

In a similar manner please visit our **online calendar** on a regular basis to keep ahead of upcoming events, such as our Daubeney **PCTA Quiz night** and our **World Book Day** celebrations next Friday! (see fliers below)

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/calendar>

Next week we'll share our geography topics for the **Intrepid Explores half-term**, but in the meantime please discuss with your child what they are learning in geography, or remember learning from previous years or the autumn 1 half-term!



Enjoy a great weekend all!

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