

28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

We now find ourselves at the conclusion of week 2! It's going to be a very 'interesting' half-term with the bank holidays, coronation and planned strike days. We thank you for your ongoing support and understanding at this time. We would like to confirm with you that **school will be closed** to all pupils, bar Y6's, next Tuesday (**2.5.23**) due to the **industrial action**.

As the summer term will fly by, and is always action packed, please do visit our **website calendar** to keep you abreast of the many events happening over this term. I encourage you to take note of what is happening on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July as you may wish to take time off work to attend. Further information will be shared in due course. I've deliberately not told you what the event is so you do some research on our calendar! ☺

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

Next week we begin the administration of the **KS1 SATs**. We held our KS1 SATs parents' meeting some time ago but should you have any questions re: the KS1 SATs please feel free to speak with Miss Smith, Miss Lawrie, Ms Gustave or me should you desire any clarification on the process.

Our **KS2 SATs** will commence on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May**, due to the Bank holiday (8.5.23) to celebrate the coronation. As many of you are aware we have endeavoured to give our pupils every chance of success by having two Saturday school sessions with them and being open to Y6 on strike days to mitigate the T&L time lost due to the bank holidays and industrial action days. Thank you to those **Y6 parents** who have supported us by ensuring their child is present at school for those additional sessions.

As we embark on the formal assessment season it is very important that all children **arrive to school punctually**. The gates are open from 8:45 to allow for a 'soft start' to the day which affords our children additional T&L time from 8:45 – 9:00, please support your child to make the most of this time, and to establish good habits.

At Daubeney we are very proud of our community ethos and our desire to work with our parents as partners. As such I'd like to usher those who maybe considering a job in our school to access the link below as we do have some **vacancies**. I must also take the time to commend and thank Ms Sandra Richards who after serving Daubeney Primary as an LSA for in excess of 21 years, departed last week for pastures new. We wish her all the very best on her journey in the world of technology. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/vacancies>

As a reminder to keep up-to-speed with the children's learning, please access the link below to see the **highlights** section of our website, this is also a great way to prompt conversations about what is being learnt at school, as children never seem to remember when they get home! ☺ <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/highlights>

We'd also like to inform you that next **Friday (5.5.23) will be a non-uniform day** where the school will be getting dressed up as **Kings and Queens!** Please access the link below or see the poster at the close of this letter for more information. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/692#sitelive-viewer/>

As promised last week, please see below the topics we are studying in our 'Time Travellers' history themed half-term. Please use the info below to initiate or prolong (!) conversations about what has been learnt at school. Next week we'll share our science topics with you.

Year 1	Transport – <b>What is the best way to travel?</b>
Year 2	Great Fire of London – <b>Can a disaster change things for the better?</b>
Year 3	Romans – <b>What did the Romans do for us?</b>
Year 4	Anglo-Saxons & Vikings – <b>What did the Vikings ever do for us?</b>
Year 5	The Windrush – <b>How was the Windrush a turning point in British history?</b>
Year 6	Benin – <b>Are all historical sources reliable?</b>

## KINGS AND QUEENS

**At Daubeney, to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III, on Friday 5th May, we will have a Kings and Queens Day which will include a special lunch.**

**Children are invited to come to school dressed as a king or queen. This can be a:**

- **King or Queen from the past or present**
- **King or Queen from around the world**
- **Fictional King or Queen from a story e.g. The Queen of Hearts from the story 'Alice in Wonderland'**
- **Famous King and Queens from music or television e.g. The Lion King or T'Challa**

Please enjoy the long Bank Holiday weekend and make the most of it!



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