

9th June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back and **welcome to the final half-term of the academic year!**

As stated previously, the summer term is always action packed, as such I'd like to usher you towards our **website calendar** to keep abreast of the many events happening over the next six weeks.

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

At this point I'd like to encourage you to read **Mr Warren's update letter** for further news about Daubeney and all things Blossom Federation. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/718#sitelive-viewer/>

In a similar vein I'd like to usher you in the direction of **Mr Swarbrick's termly Safeguarding newsletter**.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/720#sitelive-viewer/>

With those formalities out of the way, let's talk about what a great week it's been here at Daubeney!

No doubt many of you would have heard about our **chicks and ducklings** and how cute they look. Thank you to our **PCTA** who funded this provision. If your child(ren) hasn't spoken about them, do ask and see what they say.

We are also very proud of our Y6 girls' football team who won the **Young Hackney Girls' Football Tournament** on Wednesday. The team have achieved many successes this year and we wish them well with their football 'careers' as the venture off to secondary school very shortly. Hopefully, we'll see some of them playing professionally in years to come.

Our winning streak did not stop there! On Wednesday evening Ms Smith, our Creativity Lead, alongside Florence (Y5 pupil) and her family (grandparents included!) went to Chisenhale Art Gallery near Victoria Park to attend the second National **Artbytes Schools Competition** where Florence was announced as the **regional winner for London** with her piece entitled, 'Florence's Patch'. To see Florence's art work, and all of our Y5 entries please access the link below. We are extremely proud of Florence, and all of the pupils who submitted entries.

<https://artbytes.co.uk/schools/daubeney-primary-school-191/>

On Wednesday we also held interviews for the role of **Daubeney Ambassadors**. There were over 40 candidates and only 12 posts, as you could imagine the selection process was very challenging! We would like to say well done to all who submitted an application and sat through the interview process with Mr Warren, Ms Bird, Ms Chowdhury and me. No doubt at home you had disappointed children, as well as happy ones. The process was planned carefully and communicated with the children. Whilst some children were not successful in becoming an Ambassador, processes like this are important in preparing for grown up life and we hope this experience affords them the opportunity to develop their resilience.



Looking forward to next week, next Friday (16.6.23) we will be having **class photos** taken so please ensure your child is present and presented accordingly e.g. full uniform.

Next Friday will also see **Blue class** venture off for their first **Forest School** session of the year. If you'd like to know more about our Forest School provision here at Daubeney please access the link.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/curriculum/forest-school>

There will also be a **cake sale** on Wednesday (14.6.23) this is to support us raise funds for the pond that we will be creating in our Hop Garden. We will be seeking the support of our parent community to help create the pond. There will be three community events when we will come together to do this on: Wed 28.6.23, Sat 1.7.23 & Wed 5.7.23 (this will dovetail with our It Takes A village event – more info to follow) and culminates on Sat. 8.7.23 when we hold our carnival.

We also need the support of our parents at our **PCTA led Carnival**. If you are able to support please contact your PCTA class rep. As Daubeney is committed to supporting our community, inclusive of local and/or sustainable businesses we are accepting applications from stallholders to showcase their businesses. Please no food or drink stalls. The cost to secure a stall for the event will be a very reasonable £10 per table. If you would like to secure a stall please access the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdzgVveVUYmS0gSrOgGinrng7S0t644a8NQ9yPa73IZ-hlaVw/viewform>

A massive shout out to **Naomi Annand** who has helped us secure **yoga sessions** for all children as part of their PE lessons. To support us with this endeavour we implore you to make a contribution to help fund this provision by accessing the link below.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/yoga-club-2023>

Next week also see Blue class begin their **Forest School** sessions every Friday from until the end of term. If you'd like to know more about our Forest School provision please access the link.

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There will also be our annual **Spelling Bee competition & Daubeney's Got Talent competition** next week.

For those who are already thinking what will they be doing with their children in the holiday, we will be hosting our **Apex Summer Holiday Club** for the first two weeks of the holiday. If you'd like to register or find out more info, access the link. <https://forms.gle/gpF4VAhpaKdKemVA7>

To reiterate, in what will be a very busy half-term please access our **website calendar** for key dates

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In our usual manner, next week we will introduce you to the topics we are studying in our **'Beautiful or Useful?'** art themed half-term. In the meantime, please have a great weekend 😊



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