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15th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers.

Today brings us to the conclusion of our first full week of the academic year. Our Reception children today completed their first full day of school and the parents that I've seen all appear to be very happy taking home happy tired children at collection time.

Well done, and thank you, to all of the Reception parents who attended our 'Welcome' meeting yesterday and signed up to our **Daubeney Village (PCTA).** Thank you to parents from the other year groups who gave up their time to welcome our new parents into the fold. And a massive thank you and well done must go out to **Lisa Smith** and **Rachel Boyett** who led on the event.

We must also express our gratitude to those parents who took the time to attend our start of year 'Meet the Teacher' sessions this week. As a reminder to our Reception parents your Meet the Teacher session will be on Monday 18th September at 3:45pm in the Reception classroom. There will also be a 'Supporting Children to Thrive' meeting with Dr Annie McHugh on Tuesday 19th at 9am (see flier below). Looking forward, please note that we will be holding our Parents' evening on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th November (15:45 – 18:00) where you will have the opportunity to meet your child(ren)'s class teacher and discuss their individual educational journey.

We'd also like to remind you about the upcoming Coffee Morning on Monday at 9am in our KS1 Hall (see flier below) and our dedicated Y6 secondary application meeting also on Monday at 3:45pm in our KS1 hall.

As promised, please see below what each year group are studying this half-term as part of our 'Intrepid Explorers' themed geography half-term. Please use this to facilitate home learning discussions.

Year I	Me and My World (Local Area) - What is in my local area?
Year 2	Hot & Cold – Why is the weather different?
Year 3	Brazil & The Amazon Rain Forest - Should we worry about our rain forests?
Year 4	Japan & Earthquakes – How would you survive an earthquake?
Year 5	Tanzania & Mountains – How would you prepare to climb Mount Kilimanjaro?
Year 6	The United Kingdom – Which region would you like to live in and why?





This week all of our children have also completed a whole school writing moderation task. Please ask your child(ren) about this, it was based on 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and the children were tasked with:

Year I & 2 - retelling of the story

Year 3 & 4 - retelling with alternative ending

Year 5 & 6 - retelling with a modern twist/setting

As we get back into the routines of school life please ensure that your child has their reading record with them daily and that they are punctual for school, our gates open from 8:45am.

This year, we are glad to see that the Mayor of London has funded school meals for all primary school children. However, that means that some families may not be receiving benefits they are entitled to. We'd encourage you to access the link below to apply for 'Free School Meals' (FSM). If you are successful in your application there are benefits for the school in terms of additional funding from central government, but there are also benefits for you e.g. FSM vouchers for the school holidays. https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/apply-free-school-meals

To reiterate, as it is a new school year, and we have new families joining us, if you do have any queries please email them to admin@daubeney.hackney.sch.uk; ring the office on 0208 985 4380; check our website; speak to a member of SLT at the start or end of day or speak to your child(ren)'s class teacher(s) at home-time.

As I draw the letter to a close, we strongly encourage you to become familiar with our website, this week I strongly encourage you to visit our safeguarding tab, where you can find useful information re: keeping your child(ren) safe on line https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/safeguarding

We look forward to another great year at Daubeney, alongside you and your child(ren), and we look forward to sharing many magical moments along the way too.

Please have a great weekend, and enjoy the sunshine!

Yours sincerely,

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SUPPORTING CHILDREN TO THRIVE

We would love for you to join us for a coffee morning to think about what children need as they transition to school and how we can support their emotional wellbeing.

It is also a chance for us to introduce ourselves and the work we do at

Date: Tuesday 19th September 2023

Time: 9am

Location: KS1 Hall

Hosts: Miss Bibi and Annie McHugh,

Clinical Psychologist

Meet our CWIS

Cahms worker in school







Daubeney Primary School