

22nd September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

We now find ourselves at the conclusion of week three of the academic year.

The new routines and class names have now all bedded in, and we have now had the majority of the 'new school year' meetings. There are many meetings in the Autumn 1 half-term as it is part of our ethos to work with parents as partners; we'd like to thank everyone who took time out of their busy schedules to attend any of the meeting that we have hosted over the last three weeks.

On Monday, SLT hosted a parent coffee morning where we shared our **School Development Priorities (SDPs)** for this year, for those not in attendance they are:

- 1.) Continue to improve outcomes for our lowest attaining pupils (30%) across all core subjects.
- 2.) Embed & implement a consistent approach to Curriculum Floor Books which exemplify our quality offer.
- 3.) Continue the development of leadership at all levels.
- 4.) Continue the development of our playground and outdoor learning opportunities.
- 5.) Continue to develop parent partnerships especially for our lowest attaining pupils (30%) so outcomes improve.

As we have done in previous years, we will share our 2023-2024 SDP plan with you and you will receive termly SDP newsletters informing you of the progress we are making against these SDP's.

Last week we informed you about our whole school writing moderation task. All of our pupils have now received three **writing targets**, please speak with your child about their writing targets, and if they are unable to recall them please speak with your child(ren)'s class teacher.

To reiterate, 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.

In our usual fashion, please see below to see what each year group are studying this half-term as part of our '**Intrepid Explorers**' themed geography half-term and in their science topics. Please use this to facilitate home learning discussions.

Year 1	<p>Me and My World (Local Area) - What is in my local area?</p> <p>Plants – Taking care of plants – What does a plant need to grow?</p>
Year 2	<p>Hot & Cold – Why is the weather different?</p> <p>Living Things and Their Habitats. What do all habitats need?</p>
Year 3	<p>Brazil & The Amazon Rain Forest - Should we worry about our rain forests?</p> <p>Plants – Do all plants need flowers?</p>
Year 4	<p>Japan & Earthquakes – How would you survive an earthquake?</p> <p>Living Things and Their Habitats – What environmental impact have humans had on East London?</p>
Year 5	<p>Tanzania & Mountains – How would you prepare to climb Mount Kilimanjaro?</p> <p>Living Things and Their Habitats – What is similar and different about a butterfly's and a frog's life cycle?</p>
Year 6	<p>The United Kingdom – Which region would you like to live in and why?</p> <p>Living Things and Their Habitats – Why is classification important?</p>

Returning to theme of working with parents as partners, if you would like to support us by **volunteering** to escort pupils on school trips, please access the link and let us know.

<https://forms.office.com/e/q8Lzzk5zm5>

If committing to a trip is too much for you, then why not join us at our **Stay and Play** session next week (26.9.23) after school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm (see flier below).

However, I suspect many of you will be more than eager to attend our upcoming **BHM event** on 17.10.23. Please keep your eyes peeled for our dedicated letter re: our upcoming **Hackney Empire Show**.

For those who have not read it already, we usher you in the direction of Mr Warren's newsletter - <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/764#sitelive-viewer/>

Please enjoy a great weekend! 😊

Yours sincerely,



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Join us for our last stay and play of the Summer Term

Wednesday 26th September 2023

(3:30pm - 4:30pm)

Time to play!

Share your
thoughts and
ideas with us



Come and see how our
playground and
playtimes have changed!

Please bring along any
unwanted:

Small world toys
figurines, cars and
people
(metal or plastic only)

*Collect your child / children as usual and
join us for the stay and play in our playground*

All children must be accompanied by parents / carers

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