

1st March 2024

Dear Parents & Carers,

Today brings week 2 of Spring 2 to a close. As you know we are all now **'Intrepid Explorers'** for our geography half-term. Our geography topics and overarching questions can be found below, as can our science topics for this half-term. These are provided to facilitate home learning discussions, which we strongly encourage.

Year 1	Geography – All around the world. How can I find where I am in the world? Science – Physics – Everyday materials. Can all materials keep you dry?
Year 2	Geography – Australia. Why should we visit Australia? Science – Biology – Plants. How do you keep a plant alive?
Year 3	Geography – Volcanoes. Are volcanoes dangerous? Science – Physics - Light. Does everything create a shadow?
Year 4	Geography – Rivers. Why are rivers important? Science – Physics – Sound. If you couldn't hear, how would you know there was a sound?
Year 5	Geography – Europe (Turkey). What would a holiday in Turkey be like? Science – Physics – Earth & Space. What would happen if the earth didn't rotate?
Year 6	Geography – The Globe – mapping the earth. How is the north different to the south? Science – Physics – Electricity. How can you make a light bulb brighter?

This week our word, expectation and breathing technique of the week are:

Expectation of the Week – **Learn brilliantly**

Word of the Week – **Choice**

Breathing technique of the Week – **Snake Breath**

For the final time, I would like to remind you of our upcoming **parent consultations** happening next week on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th March. Our booking system has gone live on our website and will close on the morning of Tuesday 5th March at 9:00 am. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/appointments/event?id=13> Please note that **school will close at 2pm on Wednesday 6th March** and there will be no After School Clubs, Wrap Around Care or Extended Day Care on that date.

As our parent partners, we are seeking your support if you work in the **STEM** industries (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), for Science Week (7th – 18th March). We are looking for parents from within our Daubeney village who would be willing to come into school (for an hour or so) to share their experiences and inspire our children. If this appeals to you, please let us know via email admin@daubeney.hackney.sch.uk

I must take the time to say a massive thank you to all the village members that came out last weekend to help with revamping our **Hop garden** – you did an amazing job! If you are unable to attend, but still want to show your support for this project, could you please complete the questionnaire below - it is about the trees, plants, flowers and shrubs that you/your child(ren) would like to see grown at the school.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeepfvCGhrvIn6Hjzn2PKoMAIVPwtV0bmoQLQVQfQODrbIpZQ/viewform>

Today will see our Y6 families receive official notification of their **secondary school allocation**. If you are disappointed that you did not receive your first preference and would like to discuss the appeal process, Mr Swarbrick will be available after your parent consultation next Tuesday or Wednesday where he will explain the process to you. As an aside, our Y6 Eagle class will also be graduating from Middlesex University today.

Next week is a busy one here at Daubeney starting with **Immunisations** on Monday (4.3.24). If you are wondering what immunisations? Please read the letter shared with our community last month. [Catch-up vaccinations for polio and/or measles Monday 4th March 2024 - Daubeney Primary School](#)

If as a family, you have reservations about having your child immunized against measles and polio we strongly encourage you to read the following [Vaccine Confidence for Families - March 18th 2024 - Daubeney Primary School](#).

Next Friday will see the week conclude with our **World Book Dress-Up Day** (see poster below). It is a busy one next week, so to stay on top of upcoming events we'd like to usher you in the direction of our online calendar (<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/calendar>) so that you can look ahead and plan accordingly.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Gregory Logan
Head of School
Twitter: @OneMrLogan1



Mr Robin Warren
Executive Headteacher
Twitter: @BlossomExecH



Celebrate World Book Day

**Dress up as your
favourite book character**

On Friday 8th March

Donate £1 to raise money for Daubeney



Who will you dress up as?



Blossom Federation



