


22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents & Carers,

Today brings a close to the penultimate week of Spring 2, and our last full week of school before breaking for the Easter holiday. This week, to facilitate **home learning discussions**, we are letting you know that all year groups are studying **'Healthy Me'** as part of our Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHCE) curriculum. As a reminder, we had our whole school **RE day** yesterday. For those that are keen to see our curriculum overviews please access the link below <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/curriculum/curriculum-overviews>

<p>Year 1</p> 	<p><b>Geography</b> – All around the world. How can I find where I am in the world?</p> <p><b>Science – Physics</b> – Everyday materials. Can all materials keep you dry?</p> <p><b>Reading</b> – <i>Hansel and Gretel</i> by Bethan Woolvin</p> <p><b>RE</b>- What does Diwali teach Hindus about good and evil?</p>
<p>Year 2</p> 	<p><b>Geography</b> – Australia. Why should we visit Australia?</p> <p><b>Science – Biology</b> – Plants. How do you keep a plant alive?</p> <p><b>Reading</b> – <i>Where the River meets the Sea</i> – by Jeannie Baker</p> <p><b>RE</b> – Why do Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection at Easter?</p>
<p>Year 3</p> 	<p><b>Geography</b> – Volcanoes. Are volcanoes dangerous?</p> <p><b>Science – Physics</b> - Light. Does everything create a shadow?</p> <p><b>Reading</b> – <i>The Firework-Maker's Daughter</i> by Phillip Pullman</p> <p><b>RE</b> – How do features of a Mosque help Muslims to pray?</p>
<p>Year 4</p> 	<p><b>Geography</b> – Rivers. Why are rivers important?</p> <p><b>Science – Physics</b> – Sound. If you couldn't hear, how would you know there was a sound?</p> <p><b>Reading</b> – <i>Peter Pan</i> by J.M Barrie</p> <p><b>RE</b> – Why is the Qur'an special to Muslims?</p>
<p>Year 5</p> 	<p><b>Geography</b> – Europe (Turkey). What would a holiday in Turkey be like?</p> <p><b>Science – Physics</b> – Earth &amp; Space. What would happen if the earth didn't rotate?</p> <p><b>Reading</b> – <i>Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone</i> – by J.K Rowling</p> <p><b>RE</b> – What can we learn from the past?</p>

Year 6 	<b>Geography</b> – The Globe – mapping the earth. How is the north different to the south?  <b>Science – Physics</b> – Electricity. How can you make a light bulb brighter?  <b>Reading</b> – <i>Journey to the River Sea</i> by Eva Ibbotson  <b>RE</b> - Lent & Easter
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This week our word, expectation and breathing technique of the week are:

Expectation of the Week – **Be Honest and Responsible**

Word of the Week – **Fitness**

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

On Monday we had a **delegation from West Leigh Infant School** visit us to observe our 'Integrated Learning Model' that is part of our EYFS and Y1 learning provision. Needless to say, they were impressed by the practice shown by our EYFS and Y1 teams. Our visitors will take back what they saw and adapt it for their setting to improve the outcomes for their pupils.

Tuesday saw our KS2 children enjoying their **Science Workshop** activities that were re-scheduled from last week. Please speak with your child about their experience, and well done to **Ms Kepha** for organising especially as you had to re-schedule everything due to no fault of your own! <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/year3/science-lab>

Wednesday saw us hold our **Finance and Staffing (F&S) governors** meeting, chaired by **Sam Ingleby**. We'd also like to welcome **Julika Niehaus** to the family as she is now a member of our Local School Committee (LSC), demonstrating our commitment to working with our parents as partners. To learn more about our governors access the link below. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/governors>

Thursday was our **RE Day** (please see topics studied above). In addition to studying RE for the day linked to maths, literacy and geography, our Y5's received **Junior Road Safety training**. Impressively there was also a **Science expose**, which was delivered by several of our parents alongside some community partners. Thank you to all of our parents who contributed. The event was a resounding success and the children, and staff found it inspiring! Thanks again for organising Ms Kepha. I was even lucky enough to enjoy a **Head of School Tea Party** with some of our exemplary students, alongside Mr Swarbrick.

Friday saw us celebrate the achievements of even more exemplary students at our **Golden Achievers of the Term** assembly and our wonderful PCTA, better known as The Daubeney Village, concluded the school week with a cake sale 😊

However, here at Daubeney when the need arises we don't only attend school from Monday to Friday, we'll be in tomorrow with some of our **Y6's for Saturday SATs school** (9am - 1pm) and we'll be open for our **Hop Garden revamp** on both Saturday and Sunday from 12pm – 5pm on both days, we hope to see you there!

As always, I'd like to usher you in the direction of our **online calendar** as we approach the end of the Spring term and look forward to a busy Summer term. <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/calendar> We'd also like to remind you that **school will be closing at 1:30pm on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024** for the close of the Spring term.

As we approach the Easter holiday, we are pleased to attach our **Easter Holiday Club** flyer (see below) and the link for parents to register. As always, spaces are free for pupils on FSM, but if you are a family who have no access to public funds, or are just simply struggling and in-need, please let us know and we will endeavour to facilitate



spaces for your child(ren). The **registration link** can be found here <https://forms.gle/jFdiorWex2WtHRxj8> If you have any queries, please email [admin@daubney.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:admin@daubney.hackney.sch.uk)

Finally, do enjoy a great weekend, and do pop along on Saturday or Sunday for our Hop Garden re-vamp, many hands make light work!

Yours sincerely,



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