

PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

Weekly news from the Haggerston School Community



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Safeguarding

If you have a safeguarding concern please call the school Reception in the first instance and ask for the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Jack Truan or a member of the safeguarding team. If it is out of school hours please contact the safeguarding email address

haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk

Regular communication with parents/carers is important to us at Haggerston School. It is vital that the school office holds updated and current contact information in order that you can receive important messages from school or in case of a medical and/or emergency situation.

Please contact the school office to verify your contact details
P: 020 7739 7324 E: haggerstonschool@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

SPORTS FIXTURES & RESULTS

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR OUR UP COMING GAMES AND FIXTURE RESULTS

ART: SOFIA GOMEZ LONDONO YEAR 11

SOFIA HAD A REALLY STRONG START OF THE YEAR 11. SHE CREATED A BEAUTIFUL HOMEWORK OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS (DRAWING OF HER FAMILY) IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEW ART GCSE COURSEWORK PROJECT "I, ME, MINE".



MATHS: TAJ WRIGHT, YEAR 8



FOR AN ENTHUSIASTIC AND STRONG START TO THE YEAR.

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Ms Emmerson

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been great to welcome students back this week, looking smart in new uniforms and with pristine pencil cases! Thank you for ensuring your child has everything they need for their learning. Welcome also to our new Year 7 families; it was lovely to meet so many of you this week. We are excited to meet parents over the coming weeks for our annual Parent Information Evenings, when we will share strategies to support your child to be successful in their journey through the school.

It feels only right, in this first bulletin of the year, to congratulate all our outgoing Year 11 and 13 students on a fantastic set of examination results. Despite grade boundaries and pass rates returning to the pre-pandemic standards of 2019, both year groups achieved the best results the school has ever had, by some margin.

In Year 11,

- 78% of students passed both English and Maths, a 15% increase from last year and 19% increase from 2019. 55% of students achieved above a grade 5 in both subjects.
- All of the core subjects had pass rates over 80% with significant increases from last year (Eg 90% of students achieved 4+ in English Literature, an increase of 17% from 2022)
- Our overall progress score is likely to be around +0.5, which is equivalent to half a grade above national average in every subject.

In Year 13,

- 55% of all grades awarded were A*-B
- A quarter of students achieved at least grades AAB in facilitating subjects
- 44% of students went on to places at Russell Group Universities (more than double the London average), including two students to Oxbridge
- The progress score for the 6th form puts us in the top 25% of all sixth forms nationally - many subjects (Eg. English, Maths, History, Spanish, Sociology) are in the top 10% or 5%.

We are incredibly proud of these achievements, which are a real reflection of the hard work of students and staff over a number of years. These outcomes are among the best in the borough but we will continue to work to drive improvement and ensure that the school is providing the best possible education for every child. I am grateful also to parents, who supported us on this journey of improvement, providing the environment in which their child could thrive.

I know, without any doubt, that this coming year's results will be even better and I am impressed by the strong start made by students this week.

Start of Year Reminders:

- Your child can have a free, healthy breakfast every morning in the canteen.
- Winter Uniform (ie. jumpers) normally resumes from September. Due to the warm weather this week and at the start of next week, we are allowing flexibility around jumpers and students are allowed to remove blazers in lessons and during social time.
- If your child wears a skirt, please check it still fits them. A number of students have returned with skirts well above the knee.
- If your child does not have a device to complete homework, please make use of our Chromebook loan scheme. Contact Patrick.McArdle@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk if you would like more information.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for getting your children ready for a strong start to the term.

Ms Emmerson, Headteacher



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

THIS WEEK'S TOP FORM!

YEAR 7P/Y7B	100%
YEAR 8P	98%
YEAR 9B	96.7%
YEAR 10B	97.8%
YEAR 11S	99.1%
YEAR 12B	97.4%
YEAR 13B	84.4%

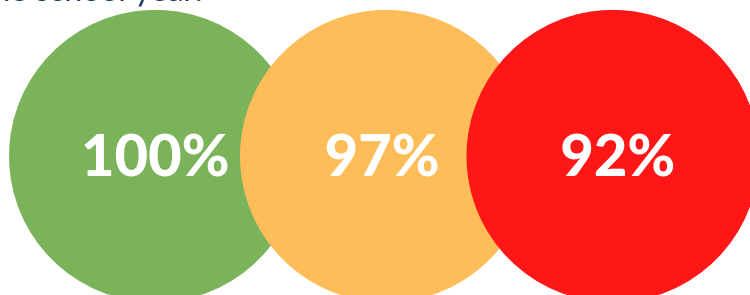


WHERE WILL YOU BE?



If last year, a child had 99-100% attendance, the average grade achieved across all GCSEs was a grade 7. This does not mean a child is guaranteed to achieve grade 7s or better with 99-100% attendance but it does mean they give themselves the best chance to do this. This child is much likely to score top grades than someone who is only in for 94 % of the school year.

Attendance %	Average Grade at GCSE
99 – 100	7
97 – 99	6
95 – 97	5
93 – 95	4
90 – 93	3
Under 90	3-



HIGH ATTENDERS, HIGH ACHIEVERS

Key Notices

If your child participates in an extra curricular activity, event, competition, music lessons etc... and you would like to share their achievements via the weekly bulletin and end of term Haggerston Recorder's, please email Ms Scalco at malissa.scalco@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk. You may include a photo if you wish. *Please note; these publications are uploaded to our website which can be viewable by any member of the public.*

easyfundraising

The PTA are raising money for the school and have just signed up to easyfundraising.org.uk which allows us to get a FREE donation when users shop online.

Sign up, and choose '**Haggerston Parent Teachers Association**' as your cause, and you can raise funds for the school at no extra cost to yourself, just by shopping online at your usual stores. For example, I used it to renew my home insurance, and 'Go Compare' donated £15.50. You can also use it for your groceries, Amazon, eBay and 7000 other retailers, every time getting a donation. The only thing to remember is always start from the easyfundraising website.

To help us get up and running we have been offered an additional incentive.

So please support us if you can by registering yourself today at <http://efraising.org/oTNrvQJgN> it only takes 2 minutes and all you need is your email address.

Please also share with your friends and family if they would also like to help – the more the better to raise much needed funds and get that free bonus incentive.

Thank you for your continued support , Your PTA



Calling Parent Volunteers!



We are looking for parent volunteers to take part in our Sixth form Speakers Programme. Do you work in industry or academia and would like to deliver a mini lecture and Q&A about a topic or issue that will inspire our students. Do you know people who fit these criteria and who would be willing to speak with our students?

Please email charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk for more information.



National Online Safety®

#WakeUpWednesday

Upcoming Events: week beginning 11 September (Week 2)

Assembly Theme: Safeguarding

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Y10/11 Parent
Information Event
5.30pm

Lost property



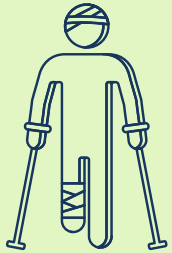
Dear Parents/Carers,

If your child has lost something during the school day, please ask them to visit student services where lost property is kept.

Please remember to label any belongings so they can quickly and easily be returned to their owner.

Students with short term mobility issues

If your child experiences a short term mobility issue, e.g. an injury such as spraining an ankle that requires crutches, could we please ask you to let their head of year know. We need this information in case we have to write an individual action plan to support a fire evacuation.



Music Lessons

Individual and paired music lessons start next week. If your child is taking these you will receive an email with a timetable of your child's lessons and further information.

If your child is interested in taking individual/ paired music lessons at school in the future, please get them to fill in the Music Survey form on the DPR. Thank you, Mr Woods, Peripatetic Lead joseph.woods@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk

Haggerston School PTA Group

The PTA needs your old uniform!

If you have school uniform that no longer fits your child, please drop it off at reception for the PTA.

We will soon be re-starting our second hand uniform service and our stocks are low. Thank you.

Please email PTAHaggerston@gmail.com if you would like more information



HEADS OF YEAR CONTACT DETAILS

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Year 10	jonathan.wadsworth@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk
Year 11	tom.ritchie@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk
Sixth Form	charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S HEAD OF YEAR IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR SCHOOL WORK OR WELLBEING.



Prospectus
2023-24

Haggerston School
Aspiration Creativity Character

A Parent and
Student Guide to
DPR
Assignments



Haggerston School

School
Clubs

CLICK THE TILES TO FIND OUT MORE

Wellbeing and SEND



SilverCloud Online Programme: Supporting An Anxious Child

Dear Parents /Carers
Support with your young persons wellbeing

The digitised SilverCloud anxiety intervention for parents of young people can now be used without a supporter/practitioner. Clients can sign up using the Self Sign Up Link Pathway link and have access to the below content: This is part of our WAMHs offer.

For more information on this programme, [please click this link here](#)

Ms Ray -Choudhuri, Senior Assistant Headteacher and Mental Health Lead

Dear parents, HiP is a voluntary group of Hackney parents with SEND children, trying to be heard & listened to, to improve services, and to develop awareness, understanding & acceptance of SEND in our communities. Please see the following fliers that you hopefully find useful.



STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2023

THE FAMILY COACH SERVICE'S - PARENT EMPOWERMENT GROUP

Would you like to meet other parents who may have similar parenting experiences?
If you've answered yes, our group could be for you!

For families with children that have special educational needs. No formal diagnosis or EHCP required.



100% of parents who attended previous groups would recommend the groups!

'It's nice to meet other parents that are going through similar things as me'
'I now believe that I am a good mum and am doing my best'

MONDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

London Fields Primary School
Finding tools for behaviour

TUESDAYS
12:30 - 1:30 PM

Online
Increasing confidence and reducing stress as a parent

WEDNESDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

Berger
Finding tools for behaviour

THURSDAYS
9:30 - 10:30 AM

Grazebrook Primary School
Increasing confidence and reducing stress as a parent

10 spaces available. Please send us an email to book your place today familycoach@hackney.gov.uk

Preparing for Adulthood (PFA) - Briefing to share with parent/carer contacts to seek their engagement in the process of developing the Hackney PFA Strategy

Young people identified as having special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) have the same aims and hopes as everyone else. Their needs can mean that they experience barriers to this full engagement and achievement, and may need extra support to enable them to move successfully into adulthood and reach their full potential.

Hackney Council is working with parents, carers, children and young people to develop a strategy to prepare young people with SEND for adulthood. The strategy will focus on building upon and improving existing provision around the four key 'Preparing for Adulthood' (PFA) outcomes from the SEND Code of Practice (2014); employment; independent living; participating within an inclusive community; and health and wellbeing.

The strategy is to be co-produced across Education, Health and Social Care as well as in partnership with families, schools and colleges. This brief is intended for services supporting & working closely with parents and carers to enable them to seek co-production partners to join a Task & Finish Group in order to assist us in drawing up the Hackney PFA Strategy and subsequent action plan to deliver it.

The strategy and action plan will be monitored and overseen by the SEND Partnership Board to ensure that we remain focussed on the right priorities and are making good progress towards them, so as to improve outcomes for young people with SEND in Hackney.

Initially we envisage 2/3 meetings in the Autumn term to reach a point where we have a draft strategy to consult upon by January 2024. Meetings will be virtual and last 1-1.5 hours each.

We would like to recruit 4 parent/carer representatives. Ideally this 4 would be made of a parent/ carer of a young person who:

- Attends Mainstream secondary
- Attends Special school
- Attends College
- Who has previously experienced transition to adulthood

However, if we do have a high level of interest we will endeavour to maximise participation wherever possible. Any interested parent/carer should contact Paul Richardson or Nadia Sica for further information (contact details below).

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SEND Consultant- PFA
paul.richardson@hackney.gov.uk

Nadia Sica
PFA Partnership Lead - SEND
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Other Notices

SUMMER SCHOOL



Over 60 year 7 students started Haggerston a week early as they participated in summer school. Students got to know each other, key staff and the building as they participated in a variety of creative activities. They built elephants out of junk, took part in a food science lesson, cooked and worked with a professional artist Darcy Turner making paper sculptures. The summer school culminated with a picnic attended by students and the senior team in the year 7 garden. Students made cupcakes, pizza and biscuits and decorated bunting in what was a very enjoyable end to the day.

The staff congratulated y7 on their impeccable behaviour and positive attitude.

Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Start: Monday 04 September
End: Friday 15 December (Early Closure)
Half Term: Monday 23 - Friday 27 October
Inset Days: Monday 04 September
Monday 04 December

Spring Term 2024

Start: Monday 08 January
End: Thursday 28 March (Full School Day)
Half Term: Monday 12 - Friday 16 February
Bank Holiday: Monday 02 January
Inset Days: Friday 22 March

Summer Term 2024

Start: Monday 15 April
End: Friday 19 July (Early Closure)
Half Term: Monday 27 - Friday 31 May

Parent Evening Dates

Year 7: 14 November 2023	Year 8: 19 March 2024
Year 9 Options Remote Event : 29 January 2024	Year 10: 30 April 2024
Year 9 Parent Evening: 27 February 2024	Year 12 & 13: 23 January 2024
Year 11: 16 January 2024	

Exam Result Dates

A-Level : Thursday 15 August GCSE : Thursday 22 August

Other Key Dates

26 December Boxing Day	01 January New Years Day	29 March Good Friday	31 March Easter Sunday	01 April Easter Monday
10 April Eid al Fitr (tbc)	06 May Bank Holiday	27 May Spring Bank Holiday	17 June Eid al Adha	26 August Bank Holiday