Haggerston School

FRIDAY 10 MARCH 2023

PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

Weekly news from the Haggerston School Community



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

SPORTS FIXTURES & RESULTS

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR OUR UP COMING GAMES AND FIXTURE RESULTS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Drama: Leah McCarthy-Rennalls Year 9

REALLY MAKING AN EFFORT IN LESSON AND KEEPING FOCUSED. CONTRIBUTING EVERY LESSON

MATHS: REZWAN ALI YEAR 9



Going above and beyond by spending extra time to revise topics we have learned in class. The effort has paid off as I can see your confidence with solving equations!

EXCELLENT WORK REZWAN!

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Ms Emmerson

Dear Parents/Carers,

As one group of students left for their Geography residential in Norfolk today, another group were preparing for their Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition. We are really hoping that they will get some sunshine in what has been a very cold and rainy week. It still feels like a real privilege to be able to take students away on trips, after the restrictions of previous years and there are lots more exciting excursions in the pipeline for the rest of this academic year.

On a less positive, but still important note, I make a plea for parents to check their child has all uniform items and is wearing them correctly each day that they come into school. We have had an increase in students wearing non-uniform trousers and tracksuit bottoms, trainers and hoodies in the past couple of weeks. This may be linked to the Tiktok trend we wrote to you about recently, where students have been mounting protests at schools around the country, many over uniform. We did consult all students about uniform last academic year and as a result of their feedback, made some changes to the policy (click here to review our policy). Specifically, we made the Haggerston school bag optional at Key Stage 3 and took away the requirement for coats to be a particular colour or style. We will continue to consult parents and students intermittently about uniform but it is of note that in our last survey on this issue, the vast majority of parents (over 80%) agreed that uniform was important and standards should be maintained (including around make up and hair colour). We will continue to challenge infringements where they occur and ask for your support to ensure your child is adhering to the policy (click here to review our policy). If you are struggling with the cost of any items, please speak directly to your child's year team, who can look into available support.

Finally, we have two days of national strike action by the NEU on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March. To minimise missed learning for students, we have moved our planned inset day forward by a day to Thursday 16 March. This means the school will be closed to all students on Thursday but will be open for a normal school day to all students on Friday 17 March. On Wednesday 15 March, we will be open for all Year 11 and 13 students but, unfortunately, closed to all other year groups. Year 11 students should arrive at the normal school time at Queensbridge Road gate and will have two revision and study skills sessions, bespoke to their specific strengths and areas of need. They will be dismissed from 12.45pm. Year 13 students will have an adapted timetable of subject lessons and supervised study sessions running across the whole day until 3.30pm.

We have also partnered with an exam skills/motivation company, Positively You, who will be offering live, remote sessions to all of Year 10 and Year 12 students, on Wednesday 15 March. More information will be sent directly to parents next week and workbooks will be given to students to take home to enable them to participate in these sessions.

I thank you for your continued patience and support during this period of national industrial action. I sincerely hope these will be the final days of school disruption and that an agreement will be reached between the government and union leaders to prevent any further action.

Have a lovely weekend Ms Emmerson, Headteacher

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF YEAR 11

Mrs Yiminyi

Dear Parents/Carers.

As your child comes to the end of their time at Haggerston School, may I take this opportunity to thank you and to thank them for all their hard work over the years. Although I have only worked with them since Year 9, I have been impressed with their character and sense of community. The outcome for parent evening alone spoke volume as to how dedicated you are in working with us to achieve the best possible grades for your child.

We have officially passed the halfway mark with our year 11 students and their final exams are approaching after the Easter break. At this point my minimum expectation is that your child tries their best and takes full advantage of the additional intervention and support of which they receive. Time is limited. I ask you to continue to encourage your child to attend the intervention and revision sessions and consider what revision resources will support them at home. I can still remember how stressful Year 11 was for me! Sitting GCSEs can be an intense experience for all the family. I advise students to revise regularly for short amounts of time, to take breaks and to make sure they are hydrated. I have expressed that this is a difficult 3 months but the benefits of putting the work in now is worth it for the feeling of elation when it is over. They do have to work hard but, as always, if you are worried about your child, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Last year's GCSE students proved that Success really is for All. We will do everything in our power to give your child the same, if not better, preparation for their examinations. This however is only achievable depending on the input of your child. I was once told, 'You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink' meaning, you can give someone an opportunity but not force them to take it.

Please consider when you are having conversation with your child that, Attendance will affect final performance, attitude to learning will affect final performance, missed interventions or wasted interventions will affect final performance. Teachers are putting their all in when it comes to support for final exams so the reciprocal will be extremely welcomed.

As a year team we are also doing what we can to motivate students and prepare them for their final hurdle in tutor session with the right advice, revision techniques and guidance. This term we rolled out the Horsforth Quadrant sessions during tutor time, with focused sessions for each quadrant tailor to students' individual needs. The feedback from the sessions have been positive in comparison to last year. If your child falls into one of the low effort or low progress categories they will be targeted with additional revision support as well as motivation to keep them on track.

Alongside exam prep and GCSE focus we have been supporting students with their post-16 options. Most students have now sent off applications and a large number of these have been invited for interviews or received conditional offers. There is still time for this to be done so if you are unsure of what your child has decided to do next year, please discuss this with them and we are more than happy to assist those who are still uncertain or require any further guidance.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms Khan, our new Assistant Head of Year 11 to the team. Ms Khan has made a great start and has begun to get to know the students. We are really pleased and lucky to have her on board.

I would like to finish off by saying, every pupil is capable of being a high achiever, if they make the decision to be determined, behave excellently and work hard. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely Mrs Yiminyi, Head of year 11



Every student. Every day.

THIS WEEK'S TOP FORM!

YEAR 7P

98.8%

YEAR 80

94%

YEAR 9R

96,5%

YEAR 10W

94.2%

YEAR 11S

95.8%

YEAR 12P

93.2%

YEAR 13G

81.6%



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-

100% 97% 92%

HIGH ATTENDERS, HIGH ACHIEVERS

Key Notices

Safeguarding Message

Dear Parents

I hope you had a lovely half term break. With the cost of living increasing I thought it would be good to share a list of warm spaces amongst Hackney and where pupils can charge electrical devices to help keep the cost of living down. In the coming weeks I will be re-sharing the online safety letter and also details to a new subscription to support online safety.

Thank you

Mr Truan, Designated Safeguarding Lead

Click here to view the list of warm spaces

PARENT FACTSHEET

Andrew Tate

You may have seen this name pop up in the news, or you may have heard about him from your children. Find out who he is, why he's in the news, the risks he poses and how to talk about him at home.



Please review this information shared by our PSHCE team



Headteachers Coffee Morning Tuesday 28th March 9am - 10am

If you wish to attend the next Headteachers Coffee Morning please contact the school office with an expression of interest. Expressions of Interest are important to ensure we provide an adequate space and refreshments for this event.





A letter has been recently shared with you explaining how you sign up to National College to support your child with Online Safety.

Here is an example of some of the resources you will receive to support you and your child.

Thank you Mr Truan, Designated Safeguarding Lead

Upcoming Events: week beginning 13 March (Week 2)

Assembly Theme: Behaviour Reminders

Monday

Year 12 Civil Services Talk Tuesday

Speak Out Challenge

World Pi Day

Y9 Vaccinations

KS3 Sparx Maths Club in B217 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Wednesday

Planned Strike Day

Thursday

Planned Strike Day

INSET Day

KS3 Sparx Maths Club in B217 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Friday

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. Student services have a large number of misplaced school coats and PE kits. Please remember to label any belongings so they can quickly and easily be returned to their owner.

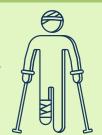
Music Lessons

Individual and paired music lessons start next week. If your child is taking these you should have received 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 Gregory, Head of Music

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.



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.

You

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

HEADS OF YEAR CONTACT DETAILS

Year 7 Year 8

Year 9 Year 10

Year 11

Sixth Form

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Please contact your child's Head of Year if you have concerns about their school work or wellbeing.



A Parent and
Student Guide to
DPR
Assignments

Haggerston School

School Clubs



Tuesdays and Thursdays

Library Pass Entry

Year 12 and Year 13 Are Welcome To come All Days

Learning Resource Centre



WORLD BOOK WEEK HIGHLIGHTS









Lanchtime Clubs



Making Books with Ms Lazarus was a great fun activity.



FIND - A - LINE CHALLENGE W







BOOK COVER COMP

N G R





SARAH - Year 7 DESIGN A BOOK COVER

Career Ideas for sport-loving kids! Encouraging young people to start thinking today about what they might want to do tomorrow.

BOOK OF THE WEEK Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Sports by **Diane Lindsey Reeves**



Those maths problems that pop up on facebook labelled 'for genius only' can usually be solved by accurately applying BIDMAS.

CAREERS BULLETIN

PAID Opportunities

MAYOR OF LONDON

Young People's Action Group (YPAG) Closing 17th March at 5pm

London's Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) is recruiting young Londoners aged 15 - 24 to join the Young People's Action Group (YPAG). The unit wants to ensure that young people have a stake in shaping decisions that affect them whilst also empowering each individual member to lead with hope. Participants will be paid above the London Living Wage at £12.49 per hour. For full details and to apply click here



Ignite Programme (12 months paid employment) For year 13's Closing 2nd April

Closing 2nd April

On this programme students spend 12 months in an area of business, rotating through different teams, picking up new skills and experiencing everything Sky has to offer. The hours can be unusual, and the work hard, but it's an opportunity for experiences like no other. Setting up sound for Soccer AM, supplying lighting equipment to Universal Film or manning the autocue for the evening news. Placements are at Elstree & Osterley. This programme is aimed at anyone who will be 18 or over by 15th October 2023, and is not currently a university. 15th October 2023 and is not currently a university

student or graduate. F<u>or full details and to apply click here</u>

The National Careers Service

Provides information, advice and guidance to help make decisions on learning, training and work. The website includes over 800 different job profiles https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/

UCAS

Explore your options, apply to university, and more https://www.ucas.com/

Find an apprenticeship

This government run service allows you to browse through and apply to available apprenticeships https://www.gov.uk/apply- apprenticeship

icould

Real-life career videos, advice and information to inspire your career https://icould.com/

Careermap

To view the latest issues of Careermap's Careermag for school leavers, click here

To receive a copy of future Careermag for School Leavers, follow this link: https://careermap.co.uk/subscribe-to-careermag/

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







Annual Review Workshop for Parents

The Tower Hamlets & City SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) are offering workshop for parents to discuss key issues about an EHCP Annual Review, including:

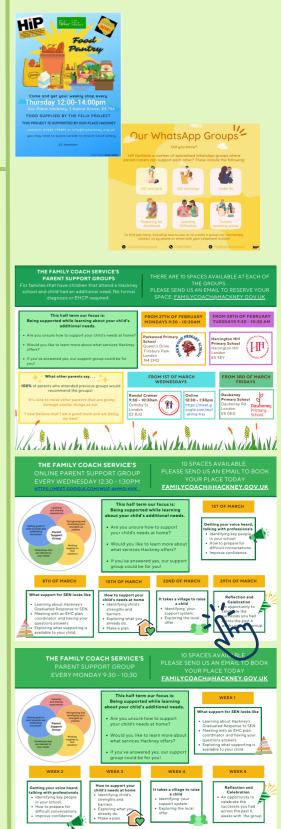
What should happen before, during and after an Annual Review What key questions / topics should be covered during the review meeting Ensuring a child's EHCP is ready for transferring to secondary school.

Date: Wednesday 15th March 2023
Time: 10am - 12pm
Venue: Parents Advice Centre
30 Greatorex St E1 5NP

For more information or to book a place please contact Tower Hamlets & City SEND IASS (Information Advice and Support Service)

T: 020 7364 6489 or email towerhamlets&city.sendiass@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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.



Other Notices

A message from City and Hackney Public Health: Winter Wellness / Group A Strep Webinar on Youtube

Our webinar on keeping children well this winter is now on YouTube. Catch up for a range of information from our specialist panel, including preventing and managing winter illnesses and recognising the signs and symptoms of Group A Strep infection, <u>here</u>.

Panel members:

Dr Tehseen Khan, GP at Spring Hill Practice
Dr Edward Dallas, Paediatric Consultant, Homerton Hospital
Catherine Sekwalor, Immunisations and infection prevention
and control nurse, Hackney and City of London
Carolyn Sharpe, Consultant in Public Health (children, young
people and health protection portfolio lead), Hackney and City
of London Health Protection Team



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/oTNrvQJJgN 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



TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Solutions not sides:

The sixth form students have taken part in really powerful workshops tackling anti-Semitism and islamophobia with solutions not sides and the charity is offering several training events for teachers and community leaders in London and specific boroughs. These training events will look at recognising tackling antisemitism and islamophobia in relation to discussion on Israel-Palestine. These events are completely free to attend. They will also take place virtually. There is availability on the following dates:

Tuesday 21st March 4pm - <u>Book here</u> Tuesday 4th April 4pm - <u>Book here</u> Tuesday 18th April 4pm - <u>Book here</u>

More information about the charity running the teacher training events is here: https://solutionsnotsides.co.uk/

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.

Other Notices

HACKNEY SCHOOLS BULLETIN

Hackney Museum photography competition for young people

Calling all 14-25 year old aspiring photographers in Hackney!

Share your photographs of what it feels like to live in Hackney today in this photography competition. The chosen photographs will be displayed in a temporary exhibition at Hackney Museum in September 2023. You can also be in with a chance to have a 30mins one-to-one session with a professional photographer to provide feedback on your work, and opportunities for you to meet with other young photographers in the borough!

All you have to do is:

- 1. Fill in this short expression of interest form by Sunday 19 March 2023
- 2. Take a series of six photographs (or choose from ones you have already taken) which tell a story together and visually share your ideas of feeling at home in Hackney
- 3.On Monday 20 March 2023 Hackney Museum will send you instructions on how to submit your six photographs and information about them
- 4. Submit your photographs and information about them by Sunday 2 April 2023

Cost of Living Support Guide

Hackney Council has published a new comprehensive guide to the support available for residents during the cost of living crisis. The guide contains information on money and debt; food and free meals; housing costs; jobs and training, legal advice and more.

To request printed copies of the guide click **here**.

For more information and a digital version of the guide click <u>here</u>. The guide is also available in various languages, upon request.

Applied Objects for Observation - After School Club (March)

There are two courses that students can sign up to:

Tuesdays: 14th March 5-7.30pm 21st March 5-7.30pm 28th March 5-7.30pm

Thursdays: 16th March 5-7.30pm 23rd March 5-7.30pm 30th March 5-7.30pm

Join us for a free after school club run by Yip Siu, with guest appearances from Bozo Island, Ajay Larr, Sarmad Suhail and Fibi Kung. Students will be designing and adapting conventional tools for surveying and engagement into bespoke, personal fieldwork objects. The workshop will encourage young designers to observe, catalogue and record their journeys, experiences and conversations that reveal potential future visions for Hackney.

Students can sign up by emailing school@storeprojects.org with their name, school, and age and which course they would like to take.



Term Dates 2022/23

Spring Term 2023

Start: Tuesday 03 January

End: Friday 31 March (Full Day)

Half Term: Monday 13 - Friday 17 February

Bank Holiday: Monday 02 January

Inset Days: Thursday 16 March (date change)

Summer Term 2023

Start: Monday 17 April

End: Friday 21 July (Early Closure)

Half Term: Monday 29 May - Friday 02 June

Proposed provisional term dates for 2023/2024

Following the consultation of Hackney Educations term dates for academic year 2023/2024, we are proposing the following provisional dates:

Autumn Term

Year 7 and Year 12 Induction Day: Tuesday 05 September 2023
First date of term for all year groups: Wednesday 06 September 2023
Last day of term: Thursday 21 December 2023
Half term holiday: Monday 23 - Friday 27 October 2023
(INSET DAYS: Monday 04 September 2023
Monday 04 December 2023)

Spring Term

First date of term: Monday 08 January 2024 Last day of term: Thursday 28 March 2024 Half term holiday: Monday 12- Friday 16 February 2024 (INSET DAYS: Monday 18 March 2024)

Summer Term

First date of term: Monday 15 April 2024 Last day of term: Friday 19 July 2024 Half term holiday: Monday 27- Friday 31 May 2024 (Disaggregated INSET Days: 22 - 24 July 2024)

Parent Evening Dates

Year 7: 07 February 2023

Year 9 Options Evening: 06 February 2023

Year 9 Parent Evening: 21 February 2023

Year 11: 10 January 2023

Year 8: 21 March 2023

Year 10: 25 April 2023 Year 12 & 13: 24 January 2023

Exam Result Dates

A-Level: Thursday 17th August GCSE: Thursday 24th August

Other Key Dates

26 December Boxing Day 01 January New Years Day 07 April Good Friday 09 April Easter Sunday

10 April Easter Monday 01 May: Bank Holiday 08 May: Coronation Bank Holiday 29 May Spring Bank Holiday

28 August Bank Holiday