

PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

Weekly news from the Haggerston School Community

Have you seen our new Instagram account for our performing visual arts department? Find out what we've been getting up to and follow us! #instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/p/C4viXKygDeu/...>



For our latest news and stories, please follow us on...



Safeguarding

If you have a safeguarding concern please call the school Reception in the first instance and ask for a member of the Designated Safeguarding Team Ms Harry, Ms Ramsey or Ms Codling. 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



Really proud of our Athletic team who competed in a recent Hackney Athletics Borough competition:

Haggerston Medal winners:

- India won gold in 1500m
- Mabli won Gold in 800m
- Inca won silver in Javelin
- David won Silver in long jump
- Favour won Gold in 200m and silver in javelin
- Otis won Silver in High jump and Bronze in 300m



★ STUDENT OF THE WEEK

ART: POPPY CHOTTIN, SERGIO EKOBO DIAZ, LASHLEY MUNDIA, ESTELLE PALA AND LAAIBAH SIDDIQUEE

FOR THEIR ENTHUSIASM FOR ART IN LESSONS, WORKSHOPS, INTERVENTIONS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES!

MATHS: WALTER HATTON

FOR CONSISTENTLY PUTTING IN HIGH EFFORT. ALWAYS TRYING TO COMPLETE CHALLENGES AND OVERALL A REALLY POSITIVE ATTITUDE TO LEARNING.



MESSAGE FROM THE CO-HEADTEACHERS

Ms Moran and Ms Turbet

Dear Parents/Carers,

Behaviour for Learning

We wrote to you recently about our staff visit to Forest Gate Community School and Cumberland Community School. On the visit, Haggerston staff were really impressed with the culture of politeness that they have built across the school community. Over the next half term we will be working with students to explain our expectations around politeness in school and also to remind them of our expectations within the behaviour policy.

As our families know, as our school we adopt a “warm/strict” approach to behaviour in school - warm because we know the value of caring relationships in supporting students to reach their full potential, but strict because a strict code of behaviour helps to ensure a safe and caring environment for all students. This is fundamental as students need clear boundaries so that the school environment is conducive to learning for all.

This week and next, we are reminding students of these expectations in assemblies. We are reminding students that we know they can all show respect and be engaged learners, and the importance of doing this day in and day out to build positive habits. We are also reminding students of behaviours that undermine a safe and caring environment that will not be tolerated in our school community.

External Exams

We are very proud of all students who have started their exams this week - students have been in school early revising, working hard throughout the exam and maintaining the resilience they need after each exam to go to their next lessons and focus on the next exams. Thanks to families for all of their support with this.

Have a lovely weekend.

Ms Moran and Ms Turbet, Co- Headteachers

MESSAGE FROM DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Ms Harry

Dear Parents/Carers

Haggerston School is an anti - bullying school; bullying is not accepted in our community and we are committed to turning these percentages into 100%. As a school we work in partnerships based on mutual respect and we value and respect everyone equally through listening and sharing. In the Autumn term 93% of parents told us that their child feels safe at our school. 88% of you felt that bullying and discrimination is dealt with quickly, effectively and consistently. In response to your feedback and that of students we have run focus groups and changed the format of Student Union to encourage more student voice on this matter. We have been clear and consistent with our messaging to students about our stance on bullying. We continue to develop and review our practice.

As parents/guardians, you can support us by monitoring your child's social media as this is where most of the conflicts between peers begin or escalate. In order to support you, we have signed up to National College which will allow you to view classes and resources on online safety. To create your account, please follow

<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/haggerston-school> and complete your details. When you're set up, you'll be able to set 'Parent/Carer' as your user type. We also ask that parents support our anti-bullying approach by:

- Supporting the school's behaviour expectations, policy and procedures
- Working collaboratively with staff to encourage respect and good behaviour
- Ensuring that the school has accurate and current contact information
- Attending meetings with staff to discuss their child's behaviour
- Encouraging their children to report concerns about bullying and to support the school in tackling it
- Where a student is involved in bullying others outside school, e.g. in the street or through the use of the internet at home, parents will be asked to work with the school in addressing their child's behaviour, for example restricting/monitoring their use of the internet or mobile phone
- Promoting inclusion and diversity in our community

As always, if you or your child have any concerns please contact a member of the safeguarding team, you can email haggerstonsafeguarding@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk.

Have a lovely weekend

Ms Harry, Deputy Headteacher



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

THIS WEEK'S TOP 3!

YEAR 7O 97.9%

YEAR 10R 97.8%

YEAR 8Y 97%



Why is attendance and punctuality important?

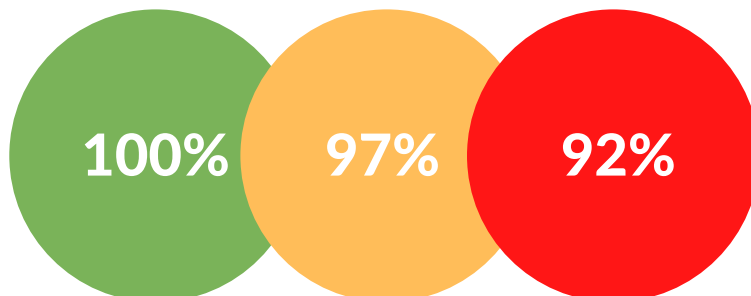
For children to achieve to the best of their ability, they must attend school every day and be punctual. Most children who meet these expectations will make very pleasing rates of progress during their time at Haggerston School. Our wish for all of the children here is that they make the most of everything that the school has to offer (academically, socially and more holistically with regards extra curricular opportunities and enrichment). That is only possible if children are here every day, on site by 8.30am ready for line-up/lesson one and are ready to learn/engage with the opportunities available.

WHERE WILL YOU BE?



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

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.



HIGH ATTENDERS, HIGH ACHIEVERS

Key Notices

Free School Meals vouchers for May half term 2024

The FSM vouchers for May half term have been ordered via Edenred. The amount is £10 for eligible FSM students. The delivery date will be Thursday 23rd May 2024. The email with the voucher will come from noreply@edenred.com, so please ensure that you have added this email address to your Safe Sender/ Trusted Contacts List.

Please ensure that you redeem the vouchers on time, as they will expire after 3 months and you will not be eligible for a replacement voucher.

Useful links

- [Redeem your Select Grocery eCode](#)
- [Download the eCode and eGift card user guide](#)
- [Read the parent/carer FAQs](#)
- [I've been sent an eCode but it hasn't arrived](#)
- [I've redeemed my eCode but my eGift card hasn't arrived](#)



VACANCY

There is one opening for the position of parent school board member (previously known as governors) at Haggerston School.

BALLOT TO CAST YOUR VOTE IS OPEN

The ballot is open to cast your vote for the position of Parent LSB Member and will close on Friday 31st May at 4pm.

- [Local School Board Haggerston Webpage](#)
- [Ballot Letter to Parents](#)

If you need any further clarification please do not hesitate to contact me.

Ms Scalco, PA to the Co-Headteachers

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HELLDIVERS 2

Within weeks of release, *Hell Divers 2* had become one of 2024's biggest gaming success stories. The sequel to a top-down shooter from 2019 has smashed sales expectations, owing to its frantic gameplay and tongue-in-cheek humour. However, the game comes with several risks to younger players, as indicated by its 18+ rating.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- PEGI 18 RATING**
Due to its intense violence and the presence of in-game purchases, *Hell Divers 2* carries a PEGI 18 rating. As a result, the game is not recommended for children under the age of 18. Its in-game purchases can be used to buy additional equipment, such as the game's primary weapon, the 'Hell Divers' gun. While the game is rated 18+, it does not mean that children who play without their parents' permission may not be able to purchase new weapons more quickly, rather than the in-game currency through play.
- IN-GAME PURCHASES**
In *Hell Divers 2*, players can use real money to buy in-game currency, which allows them to unlock cosmetics and new weapons. As the time spent playing *Hell Divers 2* is limited, but the in-game currency is infinite, it is important that parents monitor their child's in-game purchases to ensure they are not spending more than they can afford.
- VOICE CHAT AND MESSAGING**
Hell Divers 2 is always played online with others, and this means that children who play without their parents' permission may be able to communicate with other players. Unfortunately, this represents a risk of the game, as the game's chat system may expose children to other online, including, you can easily report other players for abusive behaviour on the game's 'social' tab.
- FRUSTRATION TRIGGER**
The thrill of barely escaping through a dangerous mission in one place is brought to life in *Hell Divers 2*. However, the game includes some very difficult tasks that could prove to be too hard for some players. Even those who manage to complete the game may find the frustration of not being able to progress could easily provide frustration or anger to younger players.
- LACK OF ACCESS**
The game is available on PC and PS5, but not on Xbox or other consoles. Some people who do not own a PC or PS5 may be frustrated that they cannot play the game. This could lead to frustration or anger if they are unable to play the game.

Advice for Parents & Educators

- GIVE IT A GO FIRST**
Hell Divers 2 is a third-person shooter with a focus on intense action, but much of its content is rated 18+. Parents may not want their child to play a game that is so violent and intense. If you are considering whether to let your child play, it is worth considering whether *Hell Divers 2* is really the game for them.
- SET EXPECTATIONS**
At the time of writing, *Hell Divers 2* costs £34.99. It could be worth considering whether your child would be able to afford the game, or whether you would be able to buy the game for them.
- CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES**
If playing on Xbox - where *Hell Divers 2* isn't available - consider something like *Fortnite: The Battle Royale* or *Call of Duty: Warzone*. One of the game's main attractions is its intense action, but there are other games that offer a similar experience. Consider whether your child would be better suited to the more 'upbeat' *Call of Duty: Warzone*, which has a more 'upbeat' tone and is more focused on less graphic violence.
- KEEP AN EYE ON PAYMENTS**
Many titles offer in-game purchases, but *Hell Divers 2* is comparatively cheap. It is important that parents monitor their child's in-game purchases to ensure they are not spending more than they can afford. It is also worth considering whether your child would be able to afford the game, or whether you would be able to buy the game for them.
- MONITOR COMMUNICATION & ADJUST SETTINGS**
Thanks to its in-game 'chat' system, following players to highlight in-game events without a keyboard, communication isn't as simple as in other games. You can turn off the chat system in-game on PC, or on the PS5's own settings, and find more advice on the knowledge that your child won't be speaking to people they don't know.

Meet Our Expert
Jesse Goodwin is the Editor in Chief of *Edutopia*, and has been working in the games media industry for five years. As well as being an *Edutopia* columnist, he is also a frequent speaker at conferences and events. He has published on a wide range of topics, including the importance of online safety, writing mainly about tech and games. His work has been published on a wide range of platforms, including *Edutopia* and *EdTech*.

#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Thanks to Unstable and Leighton MHSTs

GETTING THROUGH EXAM SEASON

Tips for your wellbeing

City & Hackney Mental Health Support Team

Summer Exams 2024 Candidate Handbook

Now available on our website.

[Click here to view](#)

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National Online Safety

#WakeUpWednesday

Upcoming Events: week beginning 20 May (Week 1)

Assembly Theme: What does it mean to be mentally healthy?

Monday

Y10 Music Coursework Day

Tuesday

Career Interviews

Wednesday

Careers Interviews
Y12 Access Project Trip
Y10 Music Workshop Day

Thursday

Y9 Vaccinations

Friday

Lost property



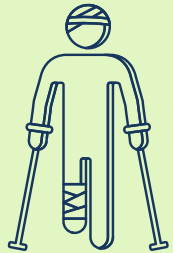
Dear Parents/Carers,

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

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.



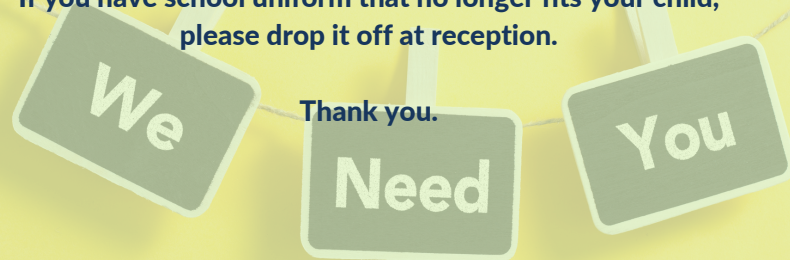
Music Lessons

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

Got any old school uniforms?

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



HEADS OF YEAR CONTACT DETAILS

Year 7
Year 8
Year 9
Year 10
Year 11
Sixth Form

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jonathan.wadsworth@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk
tom.ritchie@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk
charlotte.clarke@haggerston.hackney.sch.uk

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



Summer Term Clubs now on the website

CLICK THE TILES TO FIND OUT MORE

Library timings
8h30am to 4h30pm

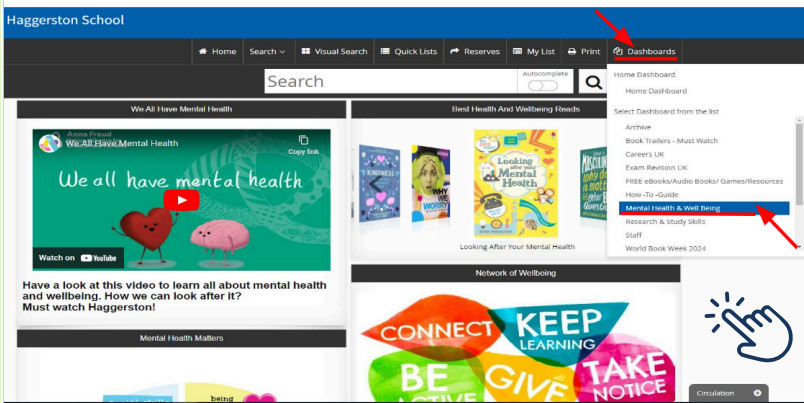
Learning Resource Centre



LIBRARY
VISTING DAYS
YEAR 7, 8 & 9
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
YEAR 10 & 11
WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
LIBRARY PASS ENTRY
MONDAYS

AFTER SCHOOL THE
LIBRARY IS OPEN TO
ALL YEAR GROUPS TO:
WORK QUIETLY
BORROW/RETURN BOOKS
USE COMPUTERS
REMEMBER
NO FOOD
DRINKS
CELL PHONE
NO FOOD, DRINKS & PHONE IN THE LIBRARY

Go to the Library Catalogue to take a look at the [Mental Health and Wellbeing Dashboard](#). It is packed with resources to improve mental wellbeing for everyone at Haggerston.



LITERACY TIP OF THE WEEK



Target 20 pages every day! 20 pages is small enough that it's not intimidating. Regardless of how busy you are, take out time to read 20 pages everyday. Set a daily routine for the family to read 20 pages before or after dinner.

BOOK OF THE WEEK



Be Happy Be You by Penny Alexander, Et AL

NUMERACY TIP OF THE WEEK



Exam tip: keep an eye on the time. If you're running out, try to gain as many marks as possible by concentrating on the easier, first parts, of any questions you have not yet attempted.

CAREERS BULLETIN

THE OFFICIAL HAGGERSTON CAREERS BULLETIN OFFERING CAREER OPPORTUNITIES TO ALL HAGGERSTON STUDENTS



This is an exciting (and free!) opportunity for aspiring actors or those who simply love to perform to be in a professional production. The Community Cast will take part in workshops/rehearsals, led by cast members learning short sections of the show, songs, a dance routine and may even get some lines. The Community Cast will be featured throughout the show performing alongside the professional actors in the productions at their local venue. The play is *Much Ado About Nothing* and runs June - August 2024 and is open to anyone aged 11+.

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 Careermap for school leavers, click [here](#)

To receive a copy of future Careermap 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

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.



Autism Education Trust Training

Are you waiting for assessment or does your child already have an Autism Diagnosis?

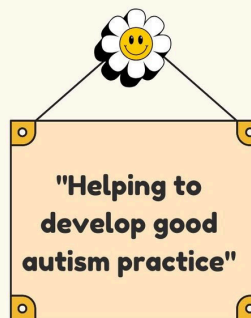
Are you curious and would you like to know more about Autism?

Parent Autism Education Trust Training

Friday 19th of April 11:30 - 1:30pm @ Online

Thursday 23rd of May 6-8pm @ Online

Tuesday 2nd of July 11:30 - 1:30pm @ Online



Sign me up!

familycoach@hackney.gov.uk

Let us know which session you'd like to attend. We look forward to working with you!



Other Notices

Foyle Young Poets Award

The Foyle Young Poets of the Year Award 2024 is open!

Enter your poems by 31 July 2024 at foyleyoungpoets.org

For more details check with Ms Samy or Ms Roberts



London District East Teaching School Hub



Train to be a teacher



Hackney



DON'T MISS OUT

REGISTER FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS TODAY

You could save up to £440. As well as receiving a free meal at school everyday, your child could be eligible for free activities.

Your child's school will get additional funding which will help fund the additional activities like after school clubs, music lessons, educational trips and booster classes.

Apply online now, in confidence:
education.hackney.gov.uk/FSM

Working for every child

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.*

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.

Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Start: Monday 04 September
End: Friday 15 December
(Early Dismissal 12.45pm)
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 Dismissal 12.45pm)
Half Term: Monday 27 - Friday 31 May

Confirmed term dates for 2024/2025

Autumn Term

First date of term: Tuesday 03 September 2024
Half term holiday: Monday 28 October - Friday 01 November 2024
Last day of term: Thursday 13 December 2024
INSET Days: 02 September and 02 December 2024

Spring Term

First date of term: Monday 06 January 2025
Half term holiday: Monday 17- Friday 21 February 2025
Last day of term: Friday 04 April 2025
INSET Day: 21 March 2025

Summer Term

First date of term: Tuesday 22 April 2025
Half term holiday: Monday 26- Friday 30 May 2025
Last day of term: Friday 18 July 2025
Bank Holiday: 05 May 2025

Parent Evening Dates

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