

Hunters Hall Primary School Snippets

Issue: 29 May 2024

Dates for the Diary

Summer Term

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday – School closed

Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May – Year 6 SATs

Monday 20th May – 2K London visit

Tuesday 21st May – 4G & 4T educational visit

Tuesday 21st May - Reception Sharing

Assembly 9:00am and 2:20pm

Wednesday 22nd May – 4N educational visit Wednesday 22nd May – 2CR London visit

Thursday 23rd May – 2D London visit

Friday 24th May – Pyjama Day Fundraiser

Manday 27th Friday 24st May Half Tare

Monday 27th – **Friday 31**st **May** – Half Term Holidays

Monday 3rd June – INSET Day (no pupils) **Tuesday 4th June** – First day back for children 8:30am

Thursday 13th June – Class Photographs Monday 17th – Friday 21st June – Sports Week & Sports Day (More details to follow) Tuesday 25th June – Choir Concerts Friday 19th July – Reports out to parents/carers

Wednesday 24th July – Last day of term. 1pm finish.

Attendance Matters

Attendance % Present

Congratulations to the classes in green 96%+:

Class	Attendance % Present
FT Nursery	100
2CR	99.2
6AM	98.6
2K	98.3
5H	97.8
2D	97.3
6E	96.6
RR	96.4
4T	96.3
3Z	96
6D	95.8
1KS	95.7
1L	95.4
RGM	95.3
5N	94.8
4N	94.6
3G	92.9
4G	92.9
RH	92.4
1H	91.9
5A	91.4
PM NURSERY	89.6
3R	87.9
AM NURSERY	82.7



Dear Parent/Carer,

The news this week has been particularly hard-hitting and heart-wrenching. Two terrible events have taken place close to our school community. Daniel Anjorin, who at 14-years-old only 3 years older than our eldest pupils in Year 6, was the tragic victim of an appalling attack. My thoughts, like yours, go out to his devastated family and friends.

And again, only yesterday, we heard about a knife-related incident and a young 19-year-old whose injuries are life-threatening.

Please re-enforce your safety rules with your children, especially children in Years 5 & 6 who are allowed a level of independence. Make sure that your children are aware of their surroundings, e.g. not having their ear buds in both ears so that their hearing is hindered.

This week, I received the local authority height and weight data information. As a Healthy School, I wanted to reiterate the need to promote a healthy lifestyle and signpost you to https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/ where you can find a wealth of advice and support to help you and your family eat better and move more.

On the topic of moving more, please see 101 free things to do in London:

https://www.visitlondon.com/things-to-do/budget-london/101-free-things-to-do-in-london

Today, a few children asked me if I was proud of anyone or anything. I am proud of the creativity that our children exhibit. Therefore, the focus of our corridor boards this term is Art & Design Technology.

Please browse our online gallery of the corridor displays. https://photos.app.goo.gl/JFFfCJ6f6X4eGoAcA



Have a very safe and enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend and see you bright and early on Tuesday 7th May at 8:30am.

Michael Kaitell Headteacher

TEAM POINTS Tigers 387 Bears 680 Wolves 697 Sharks 534 Komodo Dragon 579

Team Points

Uniform Shop Dates

School uniform can be purchased from 3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall. The dates vary throughout the year.



HUNTERS HALL SCHOOL SHOP DATES 2024

Wednesday 15th April
Wednesday 15th May
Wednesday 5th June
Wednesday 19th June
Wednesday 3rd July

Wednesday 17th July

Gold Award Debit Card Recipients

Each week we publish any recipients of the new Gold Award Debit Card.

Gold Award Recipients

Name	Class

Football News

BARKING & DAGENHAM'S PROUD RECORD in Southern Counties competitions continued as they captured a maiden League Intermediate Cup title in leafy Woking. Three draws and three wins were enough for the Essex side who manoeuvred their way through the competition without conceding a goal to edge their way to the top of the table by a point from runners-up Elmbridge & Runnymede.

Abbie from our school competed last weekend in the above competition as she represented the borough at football. The team won the competition after three wins and three draws from their afternoon's work. With games only lasting 10 minutes, goals were at a premium. Nonetheless, Barking & Dagenham dominated every game and could have scored many more.

We are very proud of you Abbie.



School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased from 3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall. The dates vary throughout the year. Next dates are: **Wednesday 15th May, 5th June, 19th June, 3rd July & 17th July.**

In a hope to reduce the cost of school uniform, from September, you will have the option to purchase iron-on badges for plain white polo shirts and plain red jumpers. Badges will cost £1.20 and should make uniform more affordable.

Uniform can also be purchased online:

www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/

Or Telephone: 01992 763679 / Email: info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk



Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.

Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.



- 1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
- 2. Create yourself an account.
- 3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

@HuntersHallPS

How to translate messages in the Parent Hub app (guidance for schools)

In the app, parents just tap the 'translate' button in the bottom right of a message.

This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

To find out more, click the

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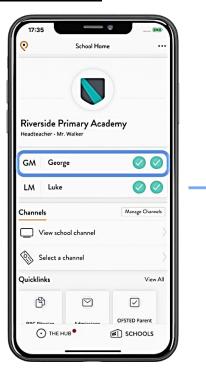
Playment Message

Vear G residential
Dear Sta. you can now start paying for the Year 6.

link below for a useful guide.

https://support.parenthub.co.uk/hc/en-us/articles/6172951020689-How-to-translate-messages-in-the-Parent-Hub-app

Reporting absence







Uniform Reminder & PE Days 2023-2024

During the course of this academic year, we are phasing out some of our school uniform in an effort to make it more affordable for our parent body.

Our school uniform provider now sells school badges for £1.20 so that you are able to purchase plain white polo shirts/ plain red jumpers/cardigans and iron on the badge. (Our current provider will continue to sell their stock of red and grey uniform items and staff has been informed that it is a gradual phase out)

We have reduced the number of days that children require their school uniform by allowing them to wear their PE kit on two days of the week. (You will be notified if there is a special day such as school photographs so that you can ensure that children are dressed appropriately.)

School Uniform

White Polo Shirt (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Red jumper/ Cardigan (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Grey school trousers/ skirt/ shorts

Summer Dress

Plain black shoes/ trainers

















PE Kit

Plain white t-shirt

Red shorts

Red/ Grey jogging bottoms

Red fleece

Black plimsolls









PE Days 2023-2024

PE Days

Year Group	PE Day 1	PE Day 2	
Reception		Thursday	
Year 1	Monday	Tuesday	
Year 2	Monday	Wednesday	
Year 3	Tuesday	Thursday	
Year 4	Wednesday	Thursday	
Year 5	Tuesday	Friday	
Year 6	Tuesday	Thursday	

Swimming is part of the national curriculum. Children in Year 4 and 6 are offered swimming lessons. From time to time, other selected pupils are given the opportunity.

Children must have a suitable swimming costume, a towel and a swimming hat.

This year, we will be operating a mobile swimming pool on the school site during June and July.

Dare 2 Dream

Dare to Dream- We have future teachers and librarians at Hunters Hall.

Following our Dare to Dream launch earlier this year, we were thrilled to be able to set up our first Dare to Dream experience. On Friday 26th April, we had over 60 children teaching in our school alongside the class teachers and experiencing what it would be like to be a teacher when they are older. Children taught a range of lessons including phonics and handwriting, they heard readers and supported some of our younger children in the lessons. One of our children aspires to be a Thrive teacher and spent time with Mr Graves working in the Thrive hub. At the end of the day, children had the opportunity to ask questions about how to get in to teaching so they were fully informed about the importance of staying in school and learning.

The dreams did not stop there! Two future librarians from year 1 and year 3, worked alongside Mrs Glover in the library, scanning books in and out for classes, inputting new books on to the system and learning about the workings of such an important place in our school. They showed many of our school values including motivation and curiosity and we have no doubt they will be very successful librarians when they are older.

All the children were truly inspiring throughout the day! They showed care and commitment to their new role and we were so proud to know that our younger community may one day be teaching a future generation, maybe even at Hunters Hall!

We look forward to sharing our next Dare to Dream experience with you very soon!











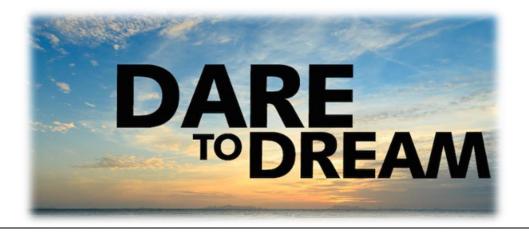












Who's Who? Mrs Begum

Why do you work at Hunters Hall?

I joined Hunters Hall Primary School as an administrative staff member through a recruitment agency. From day one, I felt very welcomed. It's a great place to work.

What's your role?

HR Assistant.

Favourite things...

Some of my favourite things include spending time with my family and friends. I enjoy dining out, travelling and going to the theatre. In my free time, I enjoy watching real-life dramas and series on Netflix.



Hopes & Dreams

I wish for my family and friends to lead happy and healthy lives and the world to become a happier and safer place for all.

Given the opportunity, I would also like to advance in my career, taking on new responsibilities and learning new skills.

How long have you been at Hunters Hall?

Nearly 8 years.

Achievements to date (in order)

Before joining Hunters Hall, I had the opportunity to deliver an IT lesson at the summer school for students entering Year 7 that I was working for at the time, and it went better than I had expected.

I've been married for 22 years. I have two children, and it's a joy to watch them excel in their studies (on-going).

During the Covid pandemic, I rediscovered my ability to ride a bike! I hadn't been on a bike since I was around 9 years old.

Achieving the goal of purchasing our family home (2016).

Barking and Dagenham Support for children and families

A range of support is available to families and children across Barking and Dagenham. Please see the following links for more details.

- **Local food banks** providing free and / or affordable food; please see Annex A for details and also https://bdcollective.co.uk/food-network-4/
- **NHS Health Start** cards for food and milk for eligible families with a child under 4 or a pregnant mother; see https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/
- Future Youth Zone for activities from boxing to beatboxing, cooking to climbing and nail art to fine art https://www.futureyouthzone.org/whats-on-offer/our-activities/

Also the Council partners have a support programme for residents during the cost of living crisis; see leaflet at https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2022-11/LBBD9131 Winter Mailout A4 12pp NOV22 digital.pdf

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MONDAY TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY





Do something kind for someone you eally care about

Focus on what you can do rather than what vou can't do

Take a step towards an important goal, however small

Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

Make a list of what matters most to you and why

Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

Do something to contribute to your local community

Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

Send a handwritten note to someone you care about

Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

someone else what matters most to them and why

Remember an event in was really



Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight

Today do something to care for the natural world

Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future



your life that meaningful



Happier · Kinder · Together



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
Bank Holiday	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Bank Holiday	28	29	30	31		

Key

- * Holy day that usually begins in the evening or at sunset of the previous day
- ** Date may vary to this because of religious customs
- Religious/cultural Awareness and events Public holiday

May is stroke awareness month and UK national walking month.

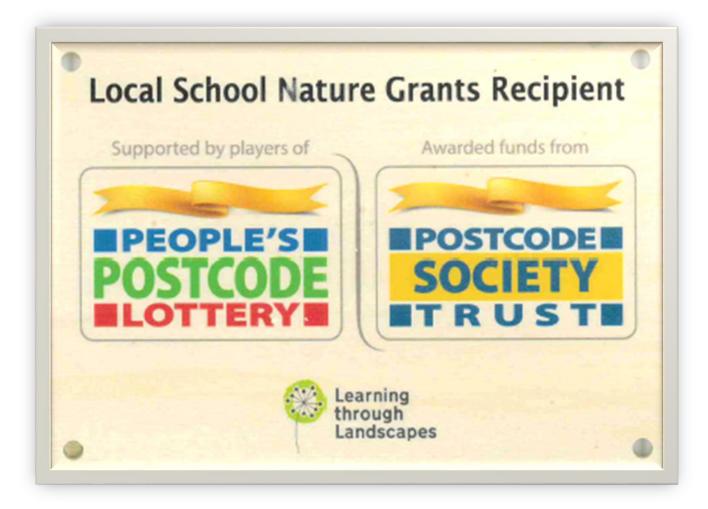
Religious/cultural

- 1 Beltane * Wicca and Pagan
- 2 Twelfth day of Ridvan * Baha'i
- 3 Feast of saints Philip and James Catholic Christian
- 3 Holy Friday Orthodox Christian
- 5 Pascha (Easter) Orthodox
- 6 Yom HaShoah * Judaism
- 9 Feast of the ascension Christian
- 10 Akshaya Tritiya Hindu and Jain 13 - Yom HaZikaron * Judaism
- 14 Yom Ha'Atzmaut * Judaism
- 14 Feast of saint Matthias Catholic Christian
- 19 Pentecost Christian
- 23 Birthday of Guru Amar Das
- 23 Vesak Buddhist
- 23 Declaration of the Báb * Baha'i
- 26 Lag BaOmer * Judaism
- 26 Trinity Sunday Christian
- 29 Ascension of Baha'u'llah * Baha'i
- 30 The feast of Corpus Christi Catholic Christian
- 31 Visitation of the blessed virgin Mary Catholic Christian

Awareness and events

- 5 International family equality day 6-12 - Deaf awareness week
- 8 World Red Cross and Red
- Crescent day
- 13-19 Coeliac UK awareness week
- 15 International day of families
- 16 Global accessibility awareness day
- 17 International day against homophobia, transphobia and biphobia
- 21 World day for cultural diversity for dialogue and development 21-22 - TUC's disabled workers' conference
- 22 International day for biological diversity
- 24 Pansexual visibility day

Local School Nature Grants Recipient



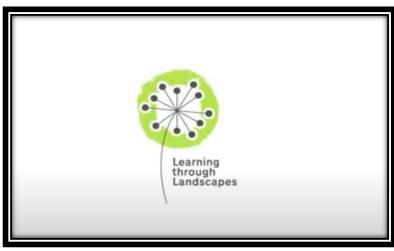
https://ltl.org.uk/

Children are happier and healthier when they have regular opportunities to learn and play outdoors. Make curriculum linked outdoor learning a regular part of your practice and you will help ensure positive intellectual, emotional, and social development whilst building the foundations for a lifelong connection with nature and our planet.

We have been lucky to receive a grant from Learning through Landscapes. This grant will be used to enhance our outdoor environment.

School grounds can offer a powerful antidote to the anxieties plaguing our youth. Research consistently shows that time spent in nature improves mental health, boosts learning outcomes, and fosters crucial social and emotional development. School grounds, when reimagined, become safe havens where children can connect with each other, build resilience through hands-on exploration, and discover the calming influence of the natural world.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0iPpIn0rUxqgQgHSwJPEIw



Earth Day Competition







TBC

Devan (1L)

Alexandra (4T)

WINDES

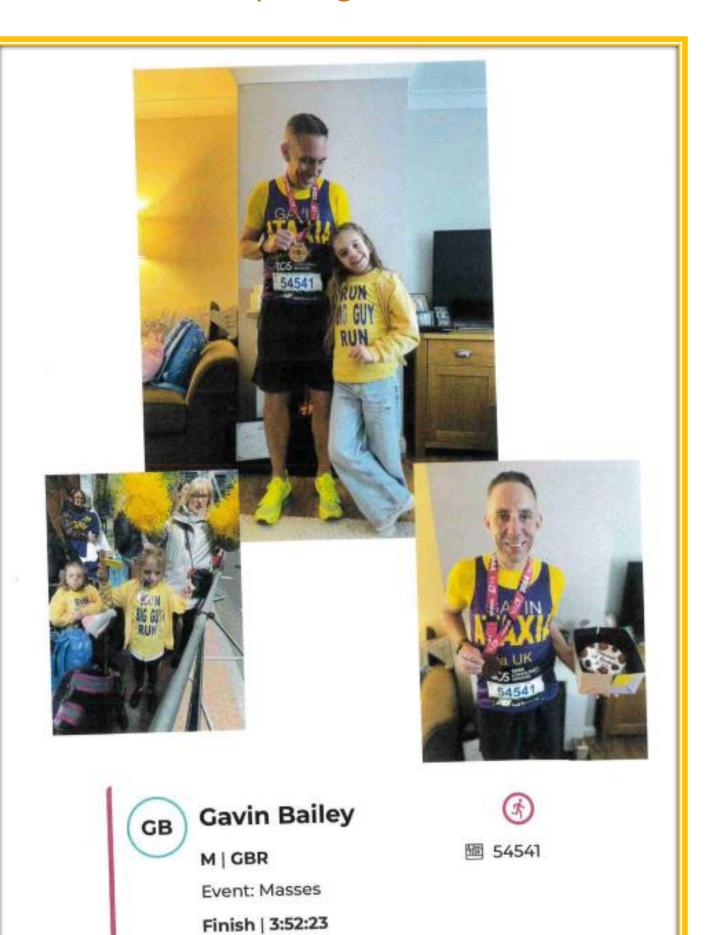




Brae (1H)

Waniya (1L)

Well done on completing the London Marathon.





Friday 24th May



Wear your pyjamas to school and make a donation.

(suggested donation £1)







Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall

Good friends are important. We need to have friends we can laugh and spend time with, friends we know will be there for us, always. Our new recommendations are about love and friendship. Here's our next set of recommendations. Remember, you can find them all in our library.



Reading interest: 4-8

When Meg and her new friend Sam Houseman go for a long picnic ride on their ponies, Merlin and Alfred, the whole day feels like a wonderful adventure. But on the way home, Meg takes a wrong turn and soon Meg and Merlin are galloping into deadly danger ...



Reading interest: 8-12

Franky moves to a new town leaving his friends behind. Then there is a storm and everything changes. Franky has always wanted to be part of an amazing gang - just like his hero, super-spy Zack Danger! And soon, he realises that there's real danger in store for himself and the new friends he makes.



Reading interest: 10-adult

A relatable, inclusive story about families, unlikely friendships and girl power. Jaz likes football but it seems that only the boys get to play and are encouraged to win. Jaz refuses to accept this and sets up a football team of girls, who despite their differences, support and care for one another. Perfect for fans of football and Jacqueline Wilson.









100-MILE CHALLENGE IN SCHOOLS

Schools and education settings are invited to take on the 100-mile virtual challenge in 2024 – completing the epic journey with their family and friends! The challenge involves collectively travelling the same distance as the iconic Ford RideLondon-Essex 100. The ride is the centrepiece of the world's greatest festival of cycling and is one of the UK's most famous challenge rides. Now you can take part and do so with a twist!

Schools can involve the whole family to actively travel and reach the 100-mile target in the week before the event on Sunday 26 May, learning fun facts about Essex and London as you move around the interactive course map.

The challenge is a great opportunity to combine activity and learning. Why not see how many local landmarks you can unlock as you make your way along some of London's most famous streets and past its world-famous landmarks, as well as through the picturesque villages and countryside of Essex?

All schools and settings that travel 100 miles will receive a **certificate**, **downloadable badge** and be entered into our **prize draw to win active travel goodies**.



When: Schools are invited to complete the 100-mile challenge from Monday 20 May to Friday 24 May (the week leading up to Ford RideLondon event weekend).

For further information on the event please visit:

ridelondon.co.uk







Future Youth Zone



School South Zone

Dear Parents/Carers,

April 2024

I wanted to drop you a letter to let you know about Future Youth Zone, we are a youth club on your doorstep that is open 7 days a week. We work with young people from 8 - 19 years old or up to 25 if they have additional needs.

We have lots of activities on offer from, Indoor Climbing, Dance, Animation, Music, Drama, Cooking, Skate Park, Arts & Crafts, Football, Basketball & Wheelchair Basketball, Badminton, Netball, Dodgeball, Recording Studio, Hair and Nail salon, Media & Photography, Gym, Boxing, Team games & much much more! Future provides all young people with somewhere to go, something to do and someone to talk to.

If you are not familiar with a youth club, we are an informal education space, where we seek to build relationships with young people not just do activities with them. Since opening in 2019 we have had thousands of young people come through our doors – a lot of members we have watched grow up and they are still attending all these years later. Future is a space that young people can try all sorts of things out and if we don't offer something that young people want, out next challenge is to work with those young people to make it happen. Youth work is not done to young people, it is done with young people.

If you are aged 8 - 12, then our Junior Club will be the right place for you!

At Junior Club we have heaps of fun activities every session, you can make new friends and try new things! Attending a new club can be daunting as an 8-year-old, but don't worry we have a welcoming, friendly and supportive team in place to help you settle in!

Senior Club is the best place to hang out if you're aged 13-19!

With a wide range of things to do and new people to meet each session, members at Future Youth Zone describe Senior Club as exciting, inspiring, awesome and fun!

Futurebility provides and caters for young people with a range of additional needs up to the age of 25 through inclusive sessions.

Our weekly session are;

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How much does it cost?

Our annual membership fee is £5, (Free annual memberships for females of any age until the end of June 2024, contact us for a discount code) then pay just 50p per visit...

Where do I sign up?

To become a member simply visit www.futureyouthzone.org and complete the online membership form! If you have any questions please get in touch on email or by phone.

Warmest Regards

David Bigglestone

HEAD OF YOUTH WORK

Dhone. 0203 941 6722

Email david.bigglestone@futureyouthzone.org

Website: futureyouthzone.org

Future Youth Zone, 201-225 Porters Address: Avenue, Dagenham, Essex, RM9 5YX



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Future Youth Zone Flyers





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CAN I BECOME A MEMBER?

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

WHAT DO I NEED ON MY FIRST VISIT?

WHERE DO I SIGN UP?

OPENING THIS MAY

OPENING TIMES

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

ONLY 50P PER VISIT!

Free Cricket in the Park







FOOTBALL SPORTS SCHOOL

Sign up for our Football Sports School to improve your football skills in a safe and fun environment! All sessions are led by qualified football coach Liam!

Every Monday

Age	Time	Level
8-11 Years	16:30-17:30	Level I
8-11 Years	17:30-18:30	Level 2
8-11 Years	18:30-19:30	Level 3

Direct Debit £29.50/month



Sessions are run in partnership with Dagenham and Redbridge Football Club!

Join online at everyoneactive.com or via the app today.



Mental Health Support Team









Who are we?

We are four Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP), offering early intervention for young people with mild to moderate difficulties.

Our team work closely with young people, parents, and school staff to think together about ways to improve mental wellbeing within your school environment

Who do we work with?

Parents or Carers of pupils from reception to year 6 with mild-moderate levels of:

- Anxiety (e.g. fears, phobias, feeling panicky)
- Challenging behaviour (e.g. struggling to follow rules, temper tantrums, difficulty following requests)

Whole classes or year groups (delivering assembles and workshops)



Aims of our Team

- Provide early psychological support
- Support the school's wholeschool approach to wellbeing
- Signposting to specialist service



For more information please speak to your mental health lead or get in touch MHST,BD@nelft,nhs,uk

BREAKFAST CLUB



Our breakfast club is open term time only Monday to Friday, 7:45 to 8:30am.

No booking is required, you can turn up on the day and pay.

The charge is £3 per day, you are required to accompany your child into our breakfast club and stay with them until they have been marked in on our daily register.

You are required to have the correct money for payment.

Please note that payments in advance are non-refundable and non-transferable therefore if you choose to pay in advance and your child does not attend you lose that money.





PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

DONATIONS NEEDED

A big thank you to everyone who has previously donated. We always need more good quality pre-loved uniform items. Has your child grown out of theirs? Please donate to the school and come along to one of our sales for bargain replacements!

Winter coats and shoes also welcome.

Please bring any donations in a bag to the school office.







Thank you



DHP Scheme

Are you struggling to afford your rent payments?



Do you have rent arrears? Do you need help with a deposit?

Help is available through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) scheme

Visit https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionaryhardship-support/discretionary-housing-payments-dhp

To find out more and apply online

You must be in receipt of Housing Benefit or Universal Credit housing costs to qualify for a DHP





Barking & Dagenham

Household Support Fund

Are you struggling with the rising cost of living?



Do you have utility debts?

Help is available to support the rising cost of living for energy & utility costs, food and other emergency need through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Hardship schemes

Visit https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionaryhardship-support/hardship-payment-schemes/household-support-fund to find out more and apply online





Barking & Dagenham



IN ROCKERS

FOR RECEPTION TO YEAR 2

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. No experience or instrument required.





FOR YEARS 5 AND 6

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 5 and 6. No experience or instrument required.

https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/info-for-parents

Learn to play in a band

instrument required.

Learning an instrument should be fun. Your child can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and enjoy playing in a happy, supportive environment with their friends.

Lead by real musicians

Your child's music teacher should also be their role model. Which is why all Rocksteady Band Leaders are carefully chosen, extensively trained musicians who know how to inspire a life-long love of playing music.

In school time

Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place in school time with all instruments provided, making it hassle-free for parents.

From first notes to favourite songs

The Rocksteady Programme is for all children aged 4-11 and is proven to progress musicianship, confidence and teamwork skills with no prior experience necessary.

With regular live performances

Playing on stage is a huge confidence booster. With termly concerts at school assemblies, your child will be able to show off their progress to friends, teachers and parents with the rest of their band.

And happily affordable

Rocksteady is one of the most hassle-free ways to learn an instrument on a rolling subscription that you can cancel at any time. It's risk free too - cancel in the first month and you'll get a full refund.

Call 0330 113 0330