

Hunters Hall Primary School Snippets

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Dates for the Diary

Summer Term

Monday 17th – Friday 21st June – Sports Week

Friday 2st June – Sports Day (See details below)

Thursday 20th June – Coffee morning 9:00-10:00am

Wednesday 26th June – 6D St Paul's visit Tuesday 2nd July – 3G Greenwich visit Wednesday 3rd July – 3R Greenwich visit Thursday 4th July – 3Z Greenwich visit Friday 5th July – 6E & 6AM St Paul's visit Monday 15th July – Nursery Sing-a-Long 10:40am or 2:30pm

Tuesday 25th June – Choir Concerts Wednesday 26th June – 1L Raphael's Park Thursday 27th June – 1H Raphael's Park Friday 28th June – 1KS Raphael's Park Thursday 18th July – Yr6 Splash Park Trip Friday 19th July – Nursery Last Day & Party Day

Friday 19th July – Reports out to parents/carers

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

Attendance Matters

Congratulations to the classes in green 96%+:

Class	Attendance % Present
3G	99.6
6AM	99.5
RR	98.8
FT Nursery	98.5
4G	97.9
4N	97.9
RGM	97.2
1L	97.1
RH	96.4
AM NURSERY	96.2
3R	95.8
6D	95.5
6E	95.3
3Z	95.1
5H	94.8
2D	94.5
2K	94
2CR	93.1
5A	92.9
1KS	92.1
PM NURSERY	91.7
5N	91.2
4T	90.9
1H	87.9



Dear Parent/Carer,

Over the past couple of weeks, we have had a selection of external visitors in school auditing our provision. I am very proud to say that our ARP has been categorised as "exceptionally effective" which is the highest grading possible. I would like to thank the key members of the ARP team including; Miss Cooper, Mrs Trimmer, Mrs Clooney, Mrs Tabram and Mrs Clark, along with the ARP children's class teaching team for their commitment, inclusivity and high expectations.

In addition to this, we had an audit visit from the local authority who checked on our school development plan, school evaluation, safeguarding, attendance, teaching & learning and learning environment. The experience was very positive.

Finally, two of our school governors carried out a visit on Wednesday – they were looking at how the school provides care for our children from the moment they enter the building at breakfast club, during lessons, break time, and lunch time. Their findings will be used to celebrate but also improve our provision further.

Our first cohort of swimmers has taken place this week, and it has been great seeing the developing confidence and water safety being displayed.

We have a small number of spaces available from 2:25pm, If you would be interested in joining your child and swimming with them in the afternoon. Please email the school office to find out more. office@hunters-hall.bardaglea.org.uk

This week, my being in the right place at the right time heard two things said by two different **adults** from our school community. One not so kind (which made me reflect that I still need to work on providing reminders about the school vision and direction) and one that I thought I'd share below:



It resonated with me somewhat. Whatever you do this weekend, make time for those you love and cherish, and be in the moment with them. Happy Father's Day to **all** parents who fulfil that role.

Michael Kaitell Headteacher

TEAM POINTS				
	Tigers	563		
	Bears	559		
	Wolves	759		
	Sharks	597		
	Komodo Dragon	635		

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



Gold Award Debit Card Recipients

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

Gold Award Recipients

Name	Class
Ayan Khan	4G
Kein Heavey	3 G
Alfie Hussey-Brett	5N
Abbie Blewitt	5A
Monica Cojocaru	RGM
Mila Jurkstaite	RGM

Sports Day - Friday 21st June 2024

Year 1 & 2: 9:30-10:30am Year 3 & 5: 10:45-12:15pm Year 4 & 6: 1:45-2:45pm

Reception sports day will be held separately and further information will be provided in due course.

Pupils need to wear PE kits to take part in the colours of their country e.g. Brazil something Yellow and Green. They will then travel from school to Pond Field, field for their allocated time.

Parents and carers are more than welcome to come along and cheer the children along. Please ensure your child brings plenty of drinks for the day. Pupils are to wear trainers or plimsoles for this event, and that suitable clothing is provided for changeable weather conditions.

If the weather is hot, please ensure you provide a hat & sunscreen for your child to apply throughout the day, should they need it.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Miss Thomas
PE Lead

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 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:

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

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.

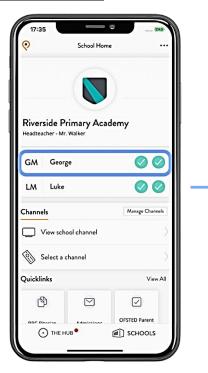
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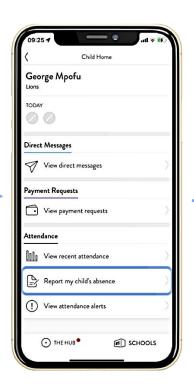


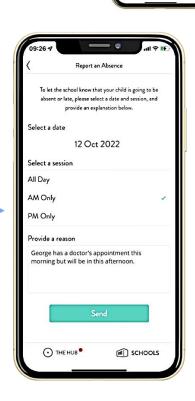
link below for a useful guide.

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

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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.

Who's Who? Miss Neil

Why do you work at Hunters Hall?

I couldn't imagine myself teaching anywhere else! I love the children, the ethos and the teams that I have been lucky enough to work with. I think it is so wonderful to see the progress pupils make here and how they really develop their own senses of self! I have always said, if I wasn't at Hunters Hall, I would move back to Canada - this is my second home!

What's your role?

I am a class teacher and current leader of Year 4! I also help support literacy across the school.

Favourite things...

SLOTHS! Sloths are my spirit animal - I would love nothing more than to lay around all day taking naps and admiring hibiscus flowers.

I also really enjoy reading - particularly adventure, comedy and mystery books; I like trying to guess the endings (and love when I get surprised by a good plot twist).

Movies are another one of my favourite things - I try to go to the cinema once a week because I love escaping into different worlds!

Hopes & Dreams

I am actually SO lucky that I am doing what I have always dreamed of. If anything, I am hoping to have a house full of pets one day (dogs are very therapeutic!)

How long have you been at Hunters Hall?

I started working at Hunters Hall in 2016, working with small groups and got my first classroom in September of that year. This is my 8th year in a classroom!

Achievements to date (in order)

My BA degree in Psychology (I originally wanted to be an educational psychologist).

My Education degree (specialising in primary Maths).

Becoming an aunt to my wonderful and strong-minded niece, Halla.

Qualifying as a Thrive Practitioner!

Becoming a permanent resident of the UK!

Completing my NPQLL (National Professional Qualification in Leading Literacy).

Invacuation / Lockdown Information

Hunters Hall recognises that within its emergency procedures a plan needs to be made to help combat and deal with any potential threat to pupils and staff which may occur whilst they are inside the school building or on the premises.

Invacuation is an emergency procedure where, as a result of an immediate or unknown threat, to reduce the risk of harm, staff and pupils should remain in, or return to, the building.

Invacuation with lockdown is where, once inside the building interior and exterior doors are locked as a precautionary measure, and no one is allowed to enter or exit the building.



CALMNESS IS KEY, and it is vital that the procedure and its implementation does not lead to a panic mentality.

Pupils will be informed of how to respond through practice invacuation / lockdown as well as through talk. Staff will be informed of the invacuation and lockdown procedure through staff briefings and inset days.

Parents/Carers will be informed and updated via ParentHub / email and/or text messages. They will be asked not to ring the school telephone number nor come onto the premises.

Please read the information on the following website:

https://www.theschoolrun.com/lockdown-procedures-primary-schools

Hunters Hall EURO 2024 FIXTURES

Friday 14th June 2024 K/O 1:30PM

Friday 21st June 2024 K/O 1:30PM

KS1 Playground

1H vs 1L 1L won 1-0 2CR vs 2K 0-0 draw 2D vs 1KS 2D won 2-0

KS1 Playground

2K vs 2D 1KS vs 1H 1L vs 2CR

Pagoda Playground

3R vs 3G 3R won 2-1 **4N vs 4T** 4T won 2-1 **4G vs 3Z** 4G won 1-0

Pagoda Playground

4G vs 4T 3G vs 3Z 4N vs 3R

KS2 Playground

5A vs 5N 5N won 2-0 **6AM vs 6D** 6D won 2-0

6E vs 5H 1-1 5H won on penalties

KS2 Playground

6D vs 6E 5H vs 5N 6AM vs 5A

Friday 28th June 2024 K/O 1:30PM Friday 5th July 2024 K/O 1:30PM

KS1 Playground

1KS vs 2CR 1L vs 2K 1H vs 2D

KS1 Playground

1KS vs 2K 1H vs 2CR 2D vs 1L

Pagoda Playground

3R vs 4T 3G vs 4G 4N vs 3Z

Pagoda Playground

4N vs 3G 3R vs 4G 4T vs 3Z

KS2 Playground

6D vs 5A 6E vs 5N 6AM vs 5H

KS2 Playground

6E vs 5A 6D vs 5H 6AM vs 5N

Friday 19th July 2024 K/O 1:30PM

KS1 Playground

1L vs 1KS 2D vs 2CR 1H vs 2K

Pagoda Playground

3R vs 3Z 4N vs 4G 3G vs 4T

KS2 Playground

5H vs 5A 6AM vs 6E 6D vs 5N

HUNTERS HALL EURO 2024 FINAL

19TH July 2024

KS2 Playground



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

Think of 3

things you're

grateful for

and write

them down

THURSDAY

Get out into

green space and

feel the joy that nature brings

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Decide to

look for what's

good every day

this month

Find joy in

music: sing,

play, dance,

listen or share

SUNDAY

Say positive

things in your

conversations

with others

Ask a friend

what made

them happy

recently

Speak to

others in a

warm and

friendly way

Joyful June 2024

Bring joy to

others by doing

kind for them

Take time

to notice things

that you find

beautiful

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Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

you happy and really savour it

Look for

something

good in

a difficult

situation

Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

> Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

note to a friend who needs encouragement

Notice

Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh



Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

how positive emotions are contagious between people

Share a

happy memory

with someone

who means a

lot to you

Send a positive

Share a friendly smile with people you see today

Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

Diversity Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Key

- ** Date may vary to this because of religious customs

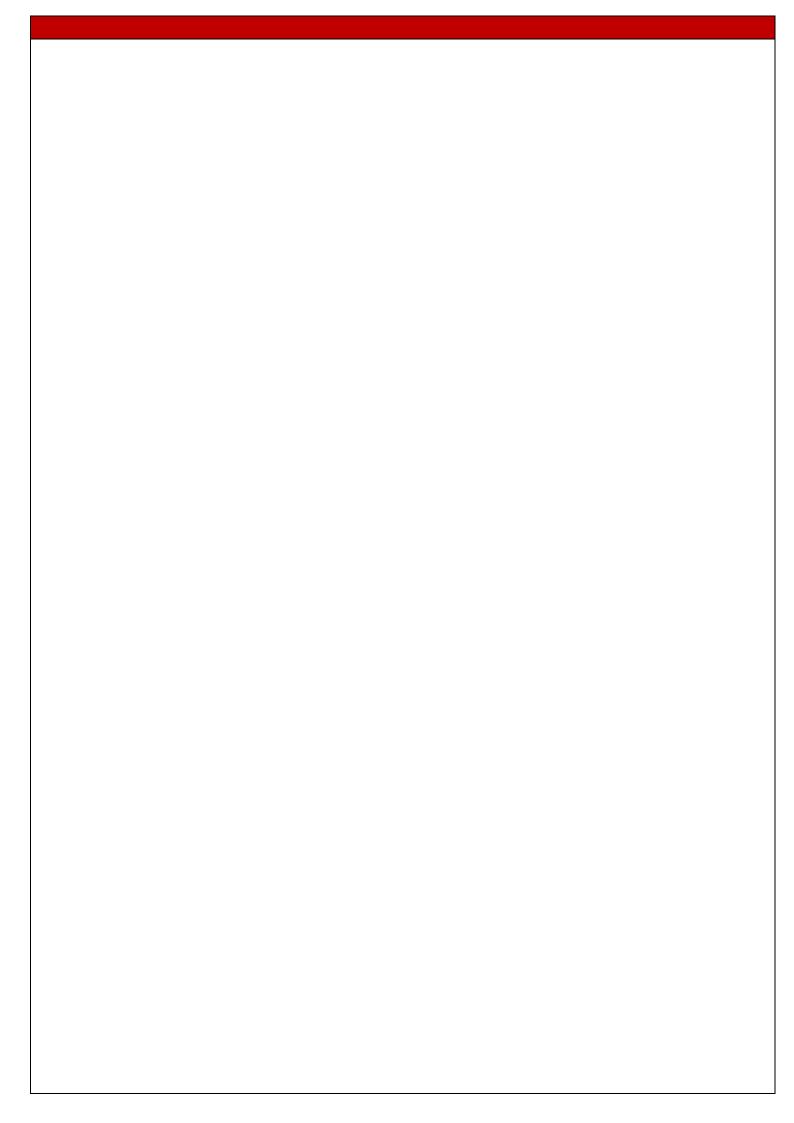
June is motor neurone disease awareness month, stillbirth and neonatal death awareness month, Scleroderma awareness month, LGBTQ+ pride month, and Gypsy, Roma and Traveller history month.

Religious/cultural

- 5 Yom Yerushalayim * Judaism
- 7 Feast of the sacred heart of Jesus Catholic Christian
- 12-13 Shavuot * Judaism
- 13 Feast of the ascension Orthodox
- 15-19 Hajj * Islam
- 16 Waqf al Arafa * Islam
- 16 Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev
- 17-20 Eid al-Adha * /s/am
- 20 Litha Wicca and Pagan
- 22 Saturday of souls Orthodox
- 23 Pentecost Orthodox Christian
- 24 Nativity of saint John the
- 25 Eid al-Ghadir * Islam
- 29 Feast of saints Peter and Paul

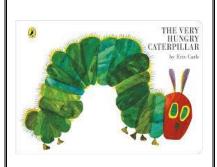
Awareness and events

- 4 International day of innocent children victims of aggression
- 8 Global wellness day
- 9 Race unity day
- 10-16 Men's health week
- 12 World day against child labour
- 15 World elder abuse awareness day
- 16 Father's day
- 17-23 Refugee week 18 - Autistic pride day
- 20 World refugee day
- 20 Summer solstice
- 22 UK Windrush day
- 24-28 School diversity week
- 27-28 TUC's LGBT+ conference



Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall

The teachers work hard to provide our children with a broad and balanced project-based curriculum focusing on a variety of topics. In every year group, pupils have the opportunity to be historians, artists, philosophers and critical thinkers. Each week. we will take a year group and suggest books that will support current learning. This week we turn to Year 1!

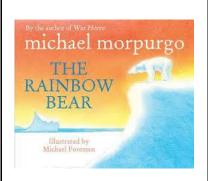


RE:

In our RE lessons we are learning about reincarnation and karma. We are learning about Hinduism!

The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Our Best Friend Karma.

We liked that the hungry caterpillar discussed the idea of coming back as something different.

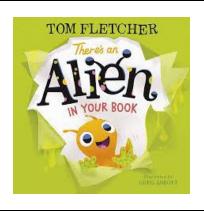


Literacy:

'Rainbow Bear' by Michael Morpurgo was our key text in Literacy.

We enjoyed this book a lot because it was about a rainbow coloured bear in the North Pole. You might enjoy this book because it had a hidden message of being careful about what you wish for.

We wonder if you will find the hidden message too...



Storytime:

In story time we are enjoying 'There's an alien in your book' by Tom Fletcher.

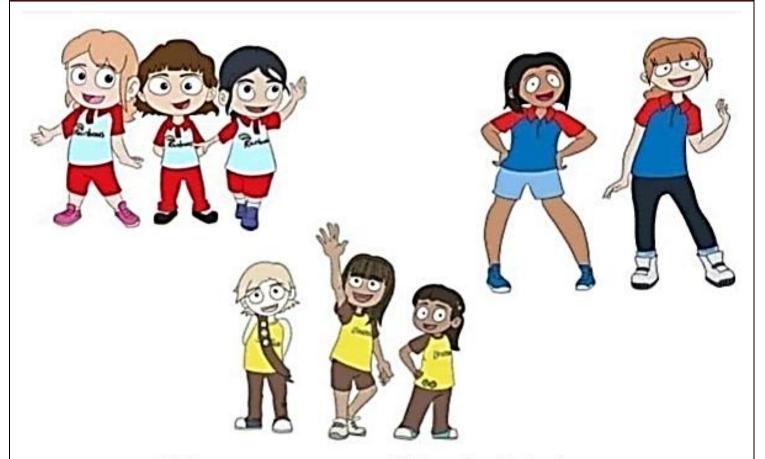
We liked this book because it's interactive and we have to help the alien along its way through the pages. We get to join in with silly actions and funny phrases!







Brownies / Guides



We have spaces to join us at 18th Dagenham Girlguiding

Do you have a daughter aged between 4 and 14?

Is she free on a Tuesday evening?

Are your able to get to Whalebone Lane South – Dagenham – Rm8?

Does she enjoy trying new things?

For example, cooking, games, stem activities, meeting new people and more!!

Why not contact us to find out more!!!

18th Dagenham Rainbows (4- to 7-year-olds)
4.30pm to 5.40pm
Dagenhamrainbows18th@hotmail.com

18th Dagenham Brownies (7- to 10-year-olds)
5.45pm to 7pm
Dagenhambrownies18th@hotmail.com

18th Dagenham Guides (10- to 14-year-olds)
7.15pm to 8.45pm
Dagenhamquides18th@hotmail.com





Dear Parents/Carers

Come join me for a coffee/tea and a chat

on

Thursday 20th June 2024

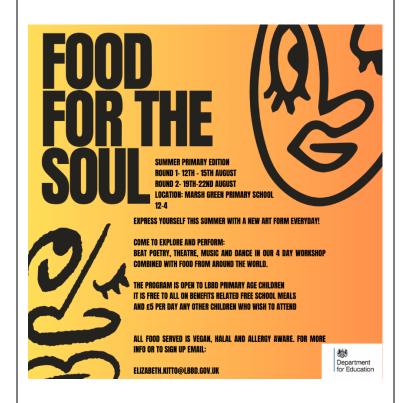
from

9:00-10:00 am

in our Dining Hall

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Patrick Bellevue
Family Support Worker













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.



WANTED

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.



ROCK ICONS

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.

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