

Message from Mrs Horton

Hargrave Park, along with most schools in the country, has taken part in Anti-Bullying Week this week. Through assemblies and class meetings children have discussed this important topic with each other and staff. The theme of the week has been ‘Make a Noise About Bullying’; encouraging children to speak up when they are bullied, or when they see bullying happening. We encourage children to always tell an adult, so we can sort it out. It is also an opportunity to unpick the difference between unpleasant, but none the less normal problems such as falling out with your friend, or having an argument or a disagreement with someone, compared to the experience of bullying, which is defined as

‘the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face-to-face or online’.

With the children we use the acronym S.T.O.P – bullying is where someone has been deliberately unkind **Several Times On Purpose**. We can only address bullying if we know about it so it is important to ‘make a noise’ about it – ie speak out, tell a trusted adult.

Also this week, as part of our network of schools Maamulaha, HP has launched our Eco-Action project for 23/24: Climate Change for Kids, (CC4K), in partnership with The Garden Classroom - <https://www.thegardenclassroom.org.uk>

The project was introduced by the Garden Classroom through assemblies and all classes experienced outdoor learning about climate change at Whittington Park. This project is running across the year and will involve in class activities led by the Garden Classroom, staff training and more off-site visits to The Ecology Centre and King Henry’s Walk in Spring and Summer. Children always engage passionately with this important area of learning; feedback from the visits has been very positive. It is fair to say that some classes had better luck with the weather than others . . 😊

Upcoming events

Week beginning 20th Nov

Mon 20th Nov – Indigo Class to British Museum

Lime Class to the Garden Classroom

Tues 21st Nov – Red Class to London Zoo

Wed 22nd Nov – *Cyan Class Assembly*

Green Class to London Zoo

Violet Class to the Garden Classroom

Thurs 23rd Nov – Blue Class to London Zoo

Sophie Izzard – Family Support Worker –in school

Week beginning 27th Nov

Mon 28th Nov – Winter cupcake sale

Tues 28th Nov – Cyan Class to British Museum

Pink Class – local area visit

Wed 29th Nov – *Blue Class Assembly*

Violet Class to British Museum

Yellow Class – local area visit

Fri 1st Dec – Flu vaccinations for Y1 – Y6

Week beginning 4th Dec

Christmas events will begin this week – see page 6

Wed 6th Dec – *Red Class Assembly*

Wed 20th Dec – Last day of term – 2pm finish

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Attendance Matters!

Cinema reward

The 20 pupils who had 98% or above attendance last academic year will be rewarded with a cinema trip on Friday 24th November 2023 with Mr Bond to see “Trolls Band Together”



Anti-bullying week 2023



Odd socks in the toddler room and the baby room!

We wore odd socks on Monday to celebrate what makes each of us unique.



Classes collated their learning in their floor books – which are celebrations of collaborative learning.

The older classes explored the dangers of ‘banter’ and how it can become bullying.

The Garden Classroom Climate Change for Kids Project



The assemblies really energised us at the beginning of the week. We learned how CO₂ creates the 'Greenhouse Effect' and that as humans we use much more energy in 2023 than we did in 1800.

At The Garden Classroom, children were inspired to take action by looking at images of the impact of climate change. They had fun imagining future inventions that could help tackle climate change, and had a chance to hug a tree!



Lunch at School

A good lunch is a very important part of the school day. It is an opportunity to try new things, and eat a range of freshly prepared, healthy and nutritious food. We work closely with Caterlink – our school meal providers – who share that belief. We have a salad bar, a range of fresh vegetables, and fruit every day.

When children have a packed lunch, it should also be an opportunity to eat a range of freshly prepared, healthy and nutritious food.

Here is a video from the British Nutrition foundation – a guide to create [a healthy packed lunch](#)

✓ Yes 😊

Sandwich, pasta, wrap, tortilla, fresh fruit, dried fruit, carrot sticks, cucumber sticks, yogurt, plain biscuit, plain cake eg malt loaf

⊘ No 😞

Crisps, chocolate biscuits, chocolate, sweets, cookies, sugary drinks, sugary cakes eg doughnut

It has been really great to see a variety of healthy choices in lunch boxes this week – including tuna pasta, apples and yogurt. Keep it up!

Responding to World News – Israel and Gaza

Please see to the right a letter from Jon Abbey – the Director of Children’s Services at Islington Council – regarding the work Islington Council is doing to support the community at this time.

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Here are the links from his letter:
[Educate Against Hate](#)
[Thrive LDN](#)
[Stop Hate UK online reporting tool](#)

At Hargrave Park we are continuing to stay attuned to the children and will respond carefully if they express concerns.

If you or your family are impacted in any way, directly or indirectly, do let us know and we will support in any way we can.

Please approach a member of the leadership team in the playground or send us a message via the office.

Here are some resources you may find helpful:

The Mental Health Foundation - advice about dealing with scary world news and how it affects our mental health:

[Look after your mental health during scary world events](#)

A BBC Newsround article which explores and explains what is happening in Israel and Gaza:

[Newsround Israel and Gaza](#)

Newsround has advice for children if they get upset by the news:

[Newsround - if you are upset by the news](#)

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Thursday 16 November 2023

To all parents and carers,

I wanted to write to you about the work Islington Council is doing to support our wonderful, diverse community in the borough at a time when many are concerned about the conflict in the Middle East.

Islington is a diverse place, with different communities from all around the world that have made it their home. It is the Council’s priority to ensure our borough remains the cohesive, welcoming place we all know and love. We know there are many Islington residents who will have family and friends in the region, and our thoughts and sympathies are with all impacted families at this very difficult time.

The conflict can be upsetting for adults, children and young people and we know that events in the region may have a knock-on effect on community cohesion and this has led to an increase in hate crime incidents. You may also be aware of images and videos being circulated on social media, as well as the increase in hate crime in the UK, that will be deeply troubling to students and their families across all our schools.

It is important that children of all religions, faiths and backgrounds feel safe and we have advised schools to continue to ensure that discrimination and hate activity are managed in accordance with their behaviour, anti-bullying, and safeguarding policies. It is also helpful to support children on how they should talk to each other and listen in a way that promotes understanding and co-existence. We have previously shared with all Islington schools the Department for Education’s [Educate Against Hate](#) website which provides resources to support parents as well as schools. [Thrive LDN](#) is also offering mental health support services to those affected by the conflict.

There are many Islington residents who will have family and friends in the region, and our thoughts and sympathies are with all impacted families at this very difficult time.

As a community, we stand together and reject hatred, division, and violence in all their forms. If you see or experience any hate speech or harassment, please call the police on 101 or use the [Stop Hate UK online reporting tool](#).

Should you have any concerns, or need additional support that the council might be able to offer, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.



Jon Abbey
Director of Children’s Services
Islington Council

Our Parent and Staff Association

Friends of Hargrave Park School



Want to get in touch? Email us at:
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FRIENDS OF HARGRAVE PARK
PRESENTS

HARGRAVE PARK SCHOOL'S
Winter Fair

Tuesday 19 December
3.30pm - 5.00pm
Middle Hall

Santa's Grotto & Workshop
Cupcakes ✦ Refreshments ✦ Games
Raffle ✦ Class Stalls ✦ Tombola

Friends of Hargrave Park School is the school's parent staff association that aims to enhance the education of our children by fostering cooperation between parents and staff, and building a supportive community for all at Hargrave Park School.

Our Winter Fair will be held on Tuesday 19 December from 3.30pm - 5.00pm in the middle hall. FoHP. It will be an afternoon of festive fun, with games, crafts, a visit from Father Christmas and more.

As usual there will be a raffle, tombola and the wonderful class hampers, as well as a new stall where children can choose a present and have it wrapped by the HP elves so that they can surprise a loved one with a gift.

Can you help make the Winter Fair a success?

We are looking for parent and carer volunteers who can help with decorating the hall and grotto from 1.00pm on the day or to volunteer on one of the stalls. If you would like to part of the Winter Fair please email us on friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com

Donate a prize to our raffle

We are looking for raffle prizes. If you are able to donate something please let us know.



Winter Cupcake Sale
Monday 4 December
3.20pm - School Playground

Can you bake your best winter cupcakes or pre-cut traybake and be our next Star Baker?



Upcoming Event Dates for your Diary

Mon 4 December
Winter Cupcake Sale

Tue 5 - Tue 19 December
Winter Raffle Tickets Available

Tue 19 December
Winter Fair

Coming up

- ★ Parents Coffee Mornings
- ★ Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
- ★ Book Swap Shop



Christmas is coming.. Here are some key dates for your diary...

Weds 6th December – Theatre visits to see ‘Wow! It’s Night time’

<https://www.littleangeltheatre.com/whats-on/wow-its-night-time/>

Morning show - Nursery and Yellow Class; Afternoon show - Pink Class and Blue Class

Thursday 7th Dec - Theatre visits to see ‘Charlie Cook’s Favourite Book’

<https://www.littleangeltheatre.com/whats-on/charlie-cooks-favourite-book/>

Morning show - Green Class and younger HP House group; Afternoon show - Red Class

Monday 11th December – 3pm – Nursery families invited to a Nursery Christmas sing-along

Tuesday 12th December – 3pm – Under 3s families invited to a Under 3s Christmas sing-along

Tuesday 12th December – all children from Reception to year 6 will visit Holloway Odeon to see the latest Disney release ‘Wish’. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oyRxxpD3yNw>

Wednesday 13th December – KS2 will be travelling to the Hackney Empire for the Pantomime.

This year it’s Aladdin! <https://www.hackneyempire.co.uk/events/aladdin>

Thursday 14th December – Winter shows – parents invited:

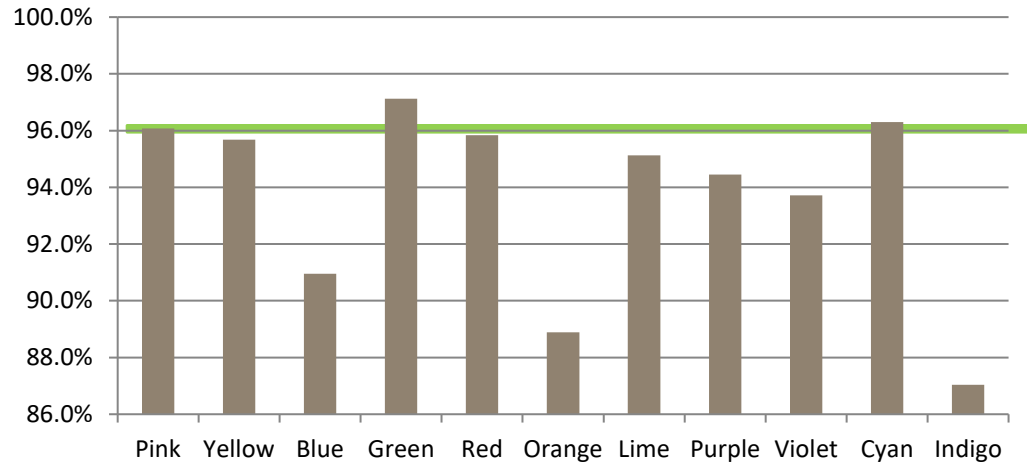
9:15am – Reception 1:30pm – Key Stage 1 2:15pm – Lower KS2 3pm – Upper KS2

Friday 15th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 19th December – Winter Fair – 3:30-5pm

Wednesday 20th December – last day of term – 2pm finish

Attendance 10/11/23 - 16/11/23



Best Class Attendance

Well done to Green class for achieving the highest attendance last week, achieving 97.1%
Green class will be rewarded with a prize for their great efforts.

Cyan class were second with 96.3%

At Hargrave Park School we believe that good attendance is vital for children's:

Learning and progress, Academic achievement, Mental Health and wellbeing, and personal, social and emotional development

A **huge** congratulations to the following children who have 100% attendance so far this year...

Pink

Lucia and Camille

Yellow

Erin, Penelope, Qanaa, Lilly-Anna, Emma-Luna

Blue

Leo.B, Frankie, Mason.E, Cora, Kael, Maksym

Green

Ramsey, Isla, Vitoria, Anya, Alfie, Lily, Rosa and Gabriela

Red

Kaylan, Cyrus, Jemiyah, Michelle, Pedro, Tiana-Maye, Herb, Jori, Rocky, Idris

Orange

Maximilian, Jack, Elena-Alicia, Albert and Elias

Lime

Nour, Joseph, Ryan, Troy, Nancy, Kenzah, Iman, Giacomo, Aras

Purple

Asher, Amelia-Lily, Aris, Adem.K, Skye.L, Sasha, Maidah and Ella-Rae

Violet

Nooran, Leon, Ibtissam, Jasper and Daisy-May

Cyan

Harun, Ivy-Rose, Salah, Masun and Amalia

Indigo

Malak, Melissa, Frankie, Blake, Holly, Amber-Sarah, Jessie, and Jasmine

Supporting your child's attendance

Your child can attend school with...

Toothache
Earache
Headache
Sore throat
Conjunctivitis
Glandular Fever
Head lice
Molluscum Contagiosum (viral skin condition)
Ringworm
Threadworm
Warts and Verrucae
Cough/Cold – If your child has asthma, remember they may need their blue inhaler more often
Hand, Foot and Mouth

A raised
temperature
is over
37.5

If your child has been diagnosed with the following:

Chicken pox – Child can return to school once all spots have crusted over
Diarrhoea and vomiting – can return to school **48 hours from the last episode** of diarrhoea or vomiting
Influenza (flu) – Children should return to school as soon as they have recovered
German Measles (Rubella) – Keep off of school for 6 days from onset of rash
Impetigo – Keep off of school until lesions are crusted/healed, or 48 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.
Measles – Keep child off of school for 4 days from the onset of rash
Mumps – Keep off of school for 5 days from onset of swollen glands
Scabies – Child can return after first treatment
Whooping cough – 5 days from starting antibiotic treatment, or 21 days from onset of illness if no antibiotic treatment has been given.

Doctors notes will be required for all of the above

Appointments
to be made
after school

Medication in School

Your child does not need to be kept at home, just because they are taking medication. If your child needs to take prescribed medication during the school day, please complete the medical consent form which can be found on the Piota app

Bumped Heads

If your child has bumped their head, you will only be called if your child complains of feeling sick, dizziness and/or headache. A message will be sent home via text or email informing you if they did bump their head during the day

Please make sure that all contact details are up to date in case your child is not well enough to stay in school.

Email your appointment letters to: parents@hargravepark.islington.sch.uk

If your child is ill, please call 020 7272 3989 choose option 1 to report your child's absence