

### Message from Miss Baverstock

The term is getting busy now, with many educational visits coming up in the next few weeks. We put a great emphasis on high quality enrichment activities as they really bring learning to life and contribute to children's personal development. I would like to extend my thanks to all the staff members who work hard to make these happen.

A very important aspect of making these visits safe, happy and successful are the family members who come along as volunteers. A big 'Thank you!' to all of you who have volunteered your time to join the children on one of our many upcoming visits. Your time and energy is greatly appreciated, and many trips would not be able to go ahead without you.

Just as school life is busy, home life is busy too. We would like to extend warm wishes to our Jewish families who are currently celebrating Passover.

We are almost there with our Healthy Schools Bronze award! The School Council, along with Miss Channer and Miss Yearwood have done a great job of reviewing our snack boxes so that they provide a healthier offer for our children, as well as finding ways to encourage children to make healthy choices at lunchtime. We hope that we can help children develop healthier habits that they will keep for life.



Please keep remembering to wear a school jumper every day! Another part of the uniform are the trousers and skirts, which must be dark grey.

Please do put names in clothes and coats – it is so much easier to reunite lost things with their owners when they are named.

### Upcoming events

#### Week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> April

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Orange Class to Westminster Abbey  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> May Blue Class Assembly  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> May Yellow Class to London Aquarium  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> May Pink Class to London Aquarium  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> May Friends of Hargrave Park Coffee Morning

#### Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> May

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday – *school closed*  
Tues 7<sup>th</sup> May Lime Class to Westminster Abbey  
Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May Violet Class Assembly  
Violet Class visit to Science Museum  
Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> May Purple Class to Westminster Abbey

#### Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 SATs tests  
Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Red Class Local Area Visit  
Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Green Class Local Area Visit  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Blue Class Local Area Visit  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Year 6 trip to Waterlow Park  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> 'Dare to be Different' fundraising day

#### Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> May

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Indigo Class to Science Museum  
Cyan Class to Science Museum  
Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Year 5 and Year 6 Cricket Competition  
Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Red Class Assembly  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Sports Day!

*Week beginning Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May – Half term holiday*

#### Week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June children return to school  
...LKS2 – trips to Kenwood House, Sailing begins for UKS2...

#### In the Newsletter today:

- P1- Message from Miss Baverstock, dates;
- P2- Healthy Schools; messages;
- P3– Working with families – Bright Futures; being on time;
- P4 – Friends of Hargrave Park; P5 - Online safety;
- P6 – Attendance Matters; P7 – term dates for 2024-2025

## School Council Update Healthy Schools

This week, school council have introduced healthier choices into snack baskets. Snacks now include rice cakes and fruit loaf!



School councillors have also been encouraging pupils to make healthy choices at lunchtime by awarding stickers to children who have made healthy choices.

We are now ready to receive our Bronze Healthy Schools award – confirmation will be coming soon...



### Messages:

If you need to make a different arrangement for the collection of your child, please make sure the office has the message by midday. This ensures that the message will be able to get to your child's class teaching team.  
Thank you.



Sophie Izzard is Hargrave Park's Link Worker from Bright Futures 5-19 service. She is able to support families in areas such as filling in forms, letting you know what's going on in the community, and signposting you to other services that can help you with manage money or strengthen relationships - for example through a parenting programme.

Sophie can also attend Team Around the Family meetings at the school and help you and your child formulate a plan to reach their goals and improve their wellbeing.

Sophie is next in school on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Please contact Mr Bond if you would like to arrange a meeting with her.



## Support your child to get to school on time!

Being on time for school is so important, as it helps children to establish a routine and be settled and ready for learning. Breakfast club and soft start are provided to help families with a flexible start time, and to help children settle in before lessons start.

### 8:00 - 8:30 – Breakfast Club

Children arrive through the front entrance – no booking needed - if your child arrives outside of these times, they may not be supervised, and may need to wait.

### 8:40 – 9:00 - Playground gates open

Children arrive through the playground for 'soft start' in classes - senior members of staff are available for families to speak with at this time.

### 9:00 – playground gates locked

If you arrive after 9am, you will need to take your child to the front entrance. Your child will receive a 'late card' and may need to wait to be let through to class

### 3:20 - playground gates open

3:30 – children dismissed to families in the playground

### 3:40 – playground gates locked

If you arrive late for collection, your child will need to be supervised. This is disruptive for staff members who have other commitments.

Our Parent and Staff Association

# Friends of Hargrave Park School

✉ Want to get in touch? Email us at: [friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com)

*You are invited to our  
Coffee Morning*

**Friday 3 May 8.45 - 9.30**

Please join us in the school Hub on Friday morning for a chance to have a cuppa and a chat with other parents and carers.

Let us know if you can come, or turn up on the day. We'll meet in reception after drop off before heading up to the Hub together.



This is a free event  
Babies and toddlers are welcome.



## BRAND NEW EVENT

Dare to be Different Day, Friday 17 May

We are launching a brand new event that we think will be a lot of fun for children, and teachers if they dare too. Children can pick one or more of the dares from the list and come into school looking a little bit different for the day. Money raised will go towards coaches for the all school trip to Frinton-on-Sea.

### SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE PRIZES

We are on the hunt for summer fair raffle prizes. If you, or someone you know, can donate a prize please get in touch. We would also love some volunteers to help ask local businesses to support our fair with a prize or donation.



### COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED

Be part of the group who plan the events to raise money for the school and bring Hargrave Park families together.

Interested? Or want to know more before you decide?

Email [friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com) 😊

Our Next Cup Cake Sale  
Monday 20 May



FRIENDS OF HARGRAVE PARK PRESENTS

# DARE TO BE DIFFERENT

FRIDAY 17 MAY

- WEAR YOUR UNIFORM BACK TO FRONT
- HAVE CRAZY HAIR OR WEAR A HAT
- WEAR A SPORTS TEAM SHIRT OR A HOODIE
- WEAR COLOURFUL OR ODD SOCKS
- WEAR PYJAMAS TO SCHOOL
- WEAR A SUPERHERO CAPE

**RULES**  
50p per dare or  
all dares £2

WHICH DARES WILL YOU DO?

Friends of Hargrave Park School is our 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. Join the committee or become a class rep by emailing the team on [friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com)



## Online safety

Having regular open conversations is one effective way of supporting your child online.



Please see the link below to a ‘topic generator’ to help start the conversation.

### [Questions to start a conversation about life online](#)

One interesting question it generated was

‘Does using the internet help or hinder your friendships?’

[saferinternet.org.uk guide-and-resource for parents-and-carers](https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource-for-parents-and-carers)



### **More Top Tips for Staying Safe Online:**

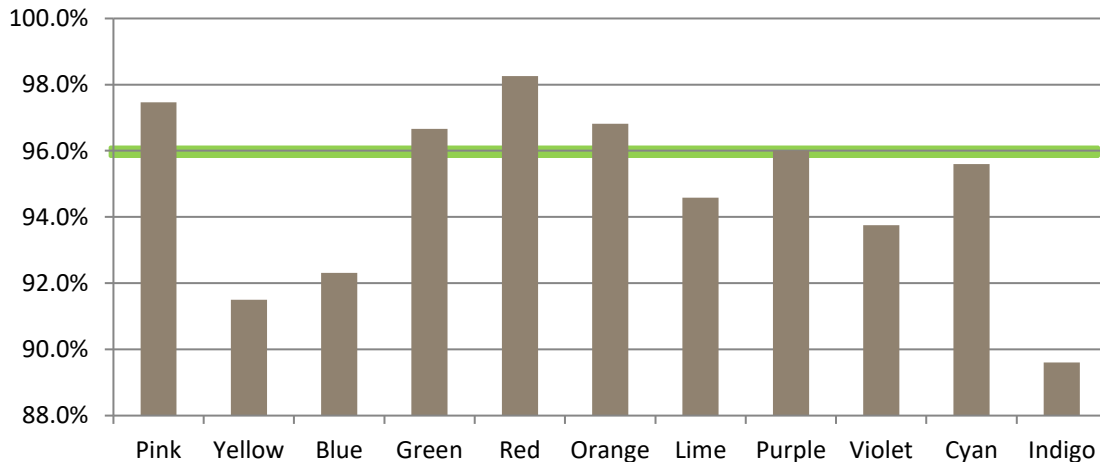
- ✓ **Be curious about what your child does online.** If your child uses Snapchat, Instagram, TikTok or any other social media platforms, there is a chance they also use third party companion apps which contain inappropriate material.
- ✓ **Monitor use of social media.** Have set times where your child is allowed to use their phone or electronic device. **We strongly recommend phones and devices are kept in a different room overnight.**
- ✓ **Check browsing history on devices.**
- ✓ **Play together, help set healthy limits.** Actively find a variety of activities for children to consume online. Show an interest and join in so you can talk to your child about their gaming and online activity in an informed way.
- ✓ **Ensure parental controls are active and up to date.** *See links for support:*

[saferinternet.org.uk parental-controls-offered-by-your-home-internet-provider](https://saferinternet.org.uk/parental-controls-offered-by-your-home-internet-provider)

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We have seen a big improvement in attendance.  
Well done to everyone for trying their best to come in to  
school every day!

W/C 19/04/24 – 25/04/24



### Best Class Attendance

Congratulations, and well done to Red class for continuing their  
high attendance.  
They achieved 98.3% attendance this week

Red class will be rewarded with a prize for their great efforts.

Islington  
Community of Schools

GOOD ATTENDANCE MEANS...  
EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS  
BEST CHANCE OF SUCCESS

Even when you're very **small**  
good attendance makes a  
**BIG** difference!

"Children in the Early Years have little chance of catching up their peers if their attendance is bad.  
If they fail to succeed early on in their school careers they are likely to get further behind, disillusionment with education sets in and they become excluded or begin to truant."

Charlie Taylor,  
Government's expert advisor  
on attendance and behaviour

**Regular attendance helps children to:**

- Make friends and learn social skills
- Feel settled and happy
- Enjoy their learning
- Benefit from good routines
- Get ready for school

**Help your child to succeed in the early years, at school and in adult life**

## Under Three's Provision Term and Holiday Dates 2024 – 2025

### Autumn Term 2024 – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September **INSET DAY 1** (provision is closed)  
 Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Under 3's provision re-opens to all children  
 Mon 28<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> November **Half Term - Open to All Year Round Children**  
 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 **INSET DAY 2** (provision is closed)  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Last day of term for all children

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025  
**Provision closed to all children**

### Spring Term 2025 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January Under 3's re-opens to All Year Round Children  
 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January Under 3's provision reopens to all children  
 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 **INSET DAY 3** (provision is closed)  
 Mon 17<sup>th</sup> - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February **Half Term - Open to All Year Round Children**  
 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April Last day of term for term time children  
 Monday 7<sup>th</sup>– Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April **Easter Break - Open to All Year Round Children**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> & Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April **Good Friday and Easter Monday  
 provision closed to all children**

### Summer Term 2025 – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April Provision re-opens to all children  
 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May **Early May Bank Holiday (provision closed)**  
 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May **Spring Bank Holiday (provision closed)**  
 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May **Half Term - Open to All Year Round Children Tues-Fri**  
 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July Last day of term for term-time children  
 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July **INSET DAY 4 and 5** (provision is closed)  
 Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> August **Summer Break - Open to All Year Round Children**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>– Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
**Provision closed to all children**

## Main School (Nursery to Year 6) Term and Holiday Dates 2024 – 2025

### Autumn Term 2024

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 **INSET DAY 1** – School Closed  
 Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> September School opens for children  
**Half term:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024  
 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 **INSET DAY 2** – School Closed  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December Last day of term 2pm finish

### Spring Term 2025

#### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> January School opens for children  
 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 **INSET DAY 3** – School Closed  
**Half term:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025  
 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April Last day of term 2pm finish

### Summer Term 2025

#### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April– Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – School opens for children  
 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May Early May Bank Holiday - School Closed  
**Half term:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of term for children 2pm finish  
 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 **INSET DAY 4** – School Closed  
 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 **INSET DAY 5** – School Closed