

Message from Mrs Horton

Yesterday was the first of our trips to Frinton! Everything went very smoothly and the children (and staff!) had a great time. Back at HP the children in Simba and Nemo were being very creative, continuing work in preparation for our school exhibition on the 16th and 17th July. The exhibition will be a showcase for the creative outcomes of our whole school theme: Patterns in Nature. I hope many of you can visit ☺

Next week is Transition Week – and children will meet their new class teacher and TA for September. They will have a chance to visit the classroom they will be working in and have a bit of time to work together as a new ‘class’. It is always an exciting part of the end of year.

At the end of the year we are saying goodbye to some of our teachers: Mr Hagan will be leaving to a new role in another school closer to his home;

Miss McNamara will be relocating to Ireland and Miss Cottington will be moving further out of London. I am sure you would join me in thanking them for all of their work with the children – and wishing the best of luck with their new adventures ☺.

We are welcoming three new teachers; Miss Shine, Miss Nicholl and Miss Perdicou. Miss Nicholl has already visited HP, Miss Shine and Miss Perdicou will be in next week,

Another staff departure is Mr Bond. Mr Bond joined the school over 7 years ago, initially as a learning mentor and then growing into the leadership role of Pastoral Care Manager. It has been a pleasure to see his career develop over that time – and his progress continues! In September he will be returning to university to study at a post grad level to become accredited as a therapist. I would like to thank him for his work across all of that time. I have all confidence that we will see his return when he has completed his qualification.

We have shaken hands on the matter . . . !

We look to welcome a new Pastoral Care Manager, Mr Pooley, in September. He brings a wealth of experience and training to the role. He will be in school next week meeting with Mr Bond and other leaders etc to support a handover. I very much look forward to working with him and am confident he will make a great addition to the team ☺

Upcoming events

Week commencing Mon 7th July
Indigo Class swimming every afternoon
RSE lessons to be taught

- Mon 7th July Frinton – Simba and Nemo
Nursery and Under 3s Summer Picnic
- Tues 8th July Indigo and Cyan – safe travel workshops
- Wed 9th July Y5 and 6 Athletics Competition
Violet and Indigo sailing
- Thurs 10th July Cyan sailing
- Tue 15th July 9am Year 6 leavers’ assembly
Weds 16th & Thurs 17th July – Summer Exhibition
- Wed 16th July Violet and Indigo sailing
End of Year Reports sent home
- Thur 17th July Sophie Izzard in school –Bright Futures
Cyan sailing
Summer Fair 3:30 – 5pm
- Fri 18th July Last Day of term – school closes at 2pm
Summer Holidays

Mon 1st and Tues 2nd September:
INSET Days 1 and 2 - School closed for all pupils
Wed 3rd Sept Children Return

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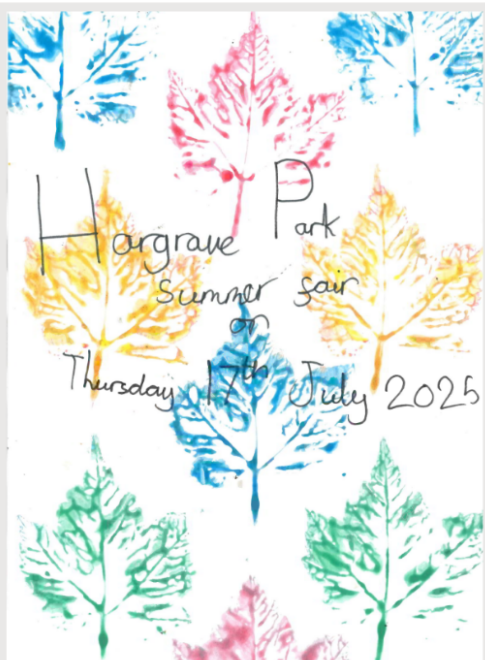
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Our Parent and Staff Association

Friends of Hargrave Park School



Want to get in touch? Email us at:
friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com



Get ready for the **SUMMER FAIR**

Thursday 17 July 3.30-5.00

Congratulations to Mariam in Purple Class for winning our summer fair poster competition. Look out for the poster around the school and over on our Instagram page. Well done to Mariam for such a vibrant poster inspired by nature.

Volunteer for 15 minutes at the fair

Our fair is only made possible by families and teachers volunteering on the day. Without your help we would not be able to run the summer fair. Please volunteer just 15 minutes of your time to help run a stall in return for a free soft drink. Email us on friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com or look out for the online sign-up sheet next week.

Thank you to our raffle and fair donors

Thank you to Sobell Leisure Centre, Tracy Zinsou photography, Wenzel's, Faber, Tea & Crafting, Paddy Cakes, Caterlink, and the parents who have already donated prizes for the raffle. If you have a prize to donate please let us know so we include it in the raffle.

Fancy dress for the photo booth

We will be having a photobooth at the stall where you can have a photo taken of you and your friends/family. Do you have old fancy dress costume bits that can be used as part of this stall. We will be taking donations from 14 July.

Donate to the Fair

From Tuesday 7 July

There will be boxes in the playground at drop-off and pick-up for contributions to the Tombola Lucky Dip and Book Stall. Please find in your contributions to help fill our stalls at the fair.

Tombola

Pre-loved toys & games, unopened toiletries, store cupboard treats

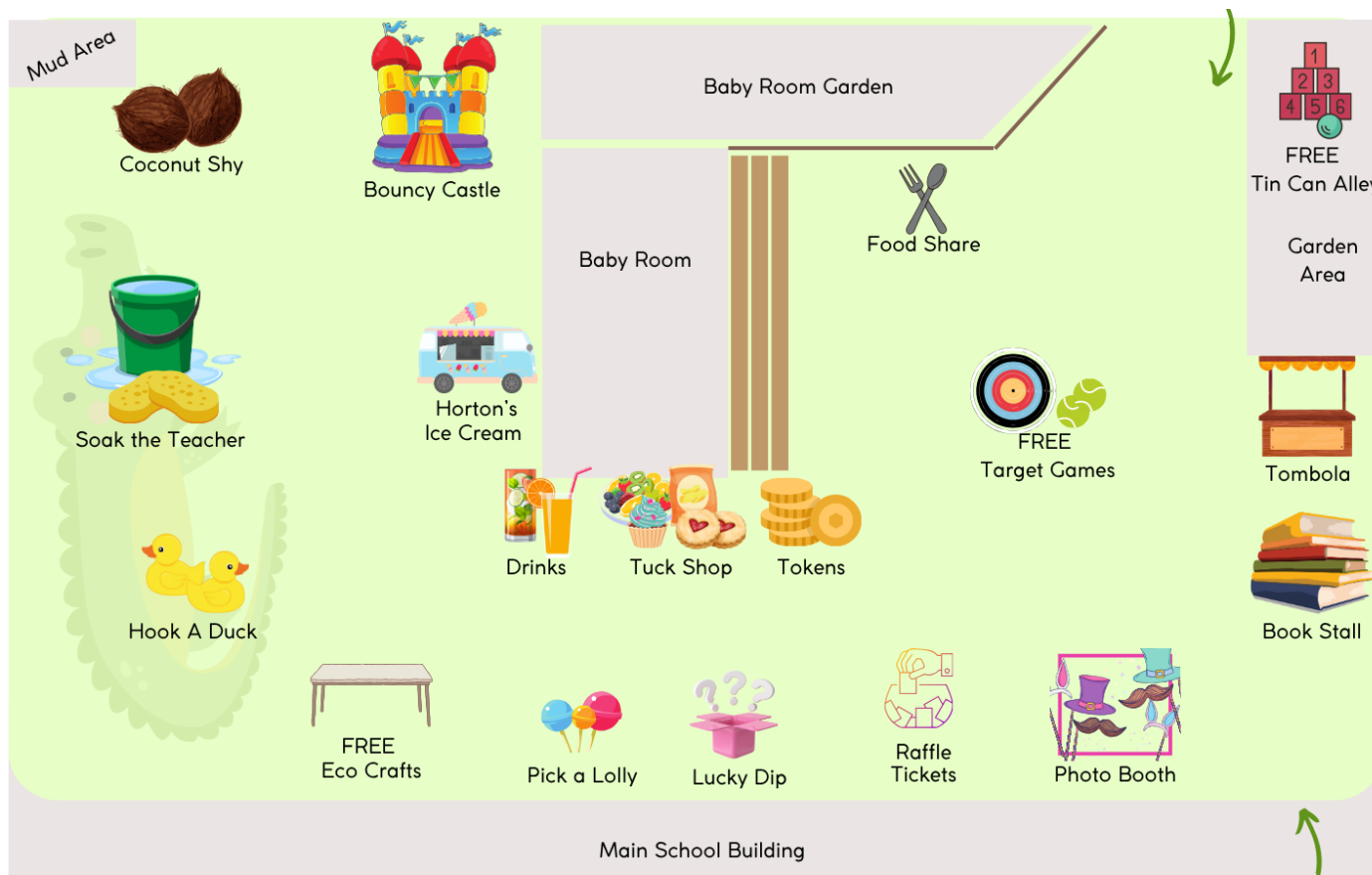
Lucky Dip

Small party bag fillers, toys and fun items. Please wrap them if you can.

Book Stall

If you have any books you no longer read please donate them to our new summer stall.





HARGRAVE PARK SCHOOL'S **SUMMER FAIR**

Thursday 17 July
3.30pm - 5.00 on the playground

We have lots of great activities planned for this year's summer fair. There's something for everyone, plus space to catch-up with other families over refreshments.

- Bouncy Castle
- Coconut Shy
- Drinks
- Food Share
- Games
- Hook a Duck
- Ice Cream & Ice Poles
- Lucky Dip
- Soak the Teacher
- Tombola
- Tuck Shop



Information from our Family Support Worker, Sophie Izzard

Somali Families: Connect & Play Sessions

Please see the attached and below information on the new Somali Families: Connect & Play sessions held at Conewood Children Centre on the 2nd and 4th afternoon every month, which may be relevant for some of your Somali families with under 5's.

Parent/Carer workshops - 'Starting Reception'

Are you a parent / carer of a child starting Reception in September 2025?

The Family Hubs Early Years Therapies team are running workshops for Parents / Carers with advice and practical tips for children who will be starting Reception.

Parents and carers are invited to join us for a workshop where we will share ideas and helpful steps with you around starting reception including what parents/carers can do at home to build their child's development, confidence and independence for starting reception.

We are delivering 3 workshops, one in each of the Family Hubs.

Please sign up on Eventbrite using the links below:

[Wednesday 25 June](#) 9.30 - 10.30am @ Family Hub at New River Green Children's Centre

[Wednesday 2 July](#) 2 - 3pm @ Family Hub at Bemerton Children's Centre

[Wednesday 16 July](#) 9.30 - 10.30am @ Family Hubs at Hornsey Road Children's Centre

Starting Reception - a workshop for parents and carers
Join us to discuss key skills & strategies to support your child starting reception. For Parents/Carers only, no creche provided.

**PARENT/CARER APPROACH
TO KEEPING YOUNG PEOPLE
SAFE**

FREE Goody
bags and Raffles
to be WON!

Islington Parents/Carers only!

Date: Thursday 10th July 2025

Time: 9:30am-1:30pm

FREE Refreshments
and HOT meal
provided on the day!

Safety Planning - Building on a
Parent/Carer Approach
This will be led by
I-CAN Deputy Team Manager - Marcel
Campbell & facilitated by The Parent
Empowerment Champions

Come and meet our Award
winning Parent Empowerment
Champions also known as The
PECs



Building on a Trauma Informed Approach
for Parents and Carers
this will be led by Clinical Psychologist Sam
Harrison and Parent Empowerment
Champion Debbie Felix



About The Day!

This is a crime prevention
workshop supporting
parents/carers in navigating ways
to support young people to feel
safe within our community.

Also present on the day will be
Arsenal in the community,
Targeted Youth Support, Stress
Project, Summeriversity and The
Well-Being Team

Well-Being techniques
Facilitated by Parent
Empowerment Champion Denise
Marshall



Address: Ringcross Community Centre
60 Lough Road, London, England,
N7 8RH



QR code below to
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Message from Islington Holiday Activities Team

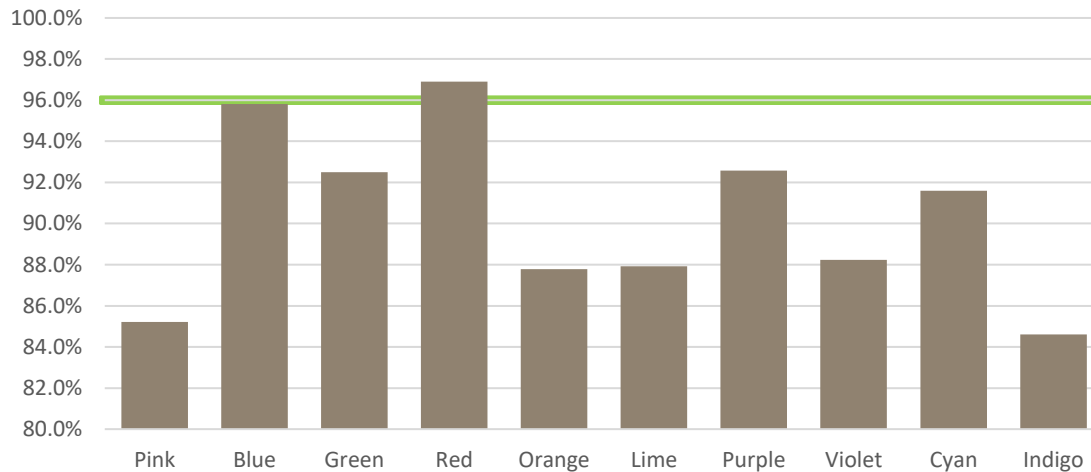
We are pleased to inform you that our Holiday Activities with Food Summer programme is now underway! Our booking system on Plinth has now gone live and you should be able to book onto activities if you are eligible. Please see this link [Free holiday activities with lunch | Islington Council](#) with further information on how to apply!

Here are the list of activities - [Programme Calendar](#)

if families need support signing up they can call the helpline 0207 257 4343

Attendance Matters

W/C 27/06/25 – 03/07/25



Best Class Attendance this week goes to...

Red class
They have achieved **96.9%** attendance this week.

Did you know there are now only **8** pupils who still have 100% attendance – that means they have attended school every day since September...

That's an amazing achievement

There are also **96** pupils who have attendance between 96% and 99%

We have had **188** pupils arrive late for school since September!

The total number of minutes late or missed minutes of learning is now a staggering **33,532**

That is roughly **559** hours or equivalent to **86** school days!

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

If your child is ill, please call the office on 020 7272 3989 choose option 1 to report your child's absence. All calls should be recorded before 8.45am

Handwriting and Presentation @ HP

At Hargrave Park, we want children to be proud of their work as this feeling is linked with having confidence in themselves as independent, ambitious learners.

The language of letter formation!
This week's letter is **T**.

U: Down, round, and up.

U: Start at the top. Go down, round, back up to the top, down, and flick.

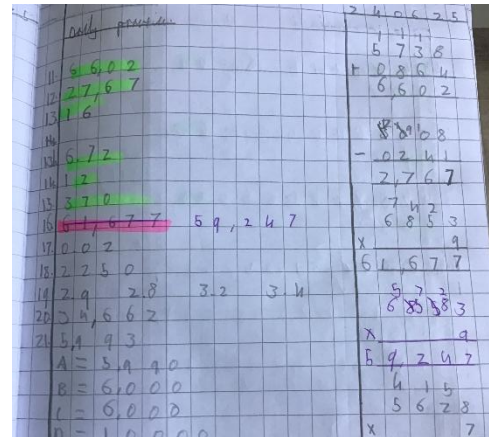
Practice at home!

The school uses the Nelson Handwriting scheme from Oxford Owl. Take a look at the videos below for tips on practice at home and fine motor warm-up exercises. Encourage children to verbalise what they are doing to understand their thought processes as they write.

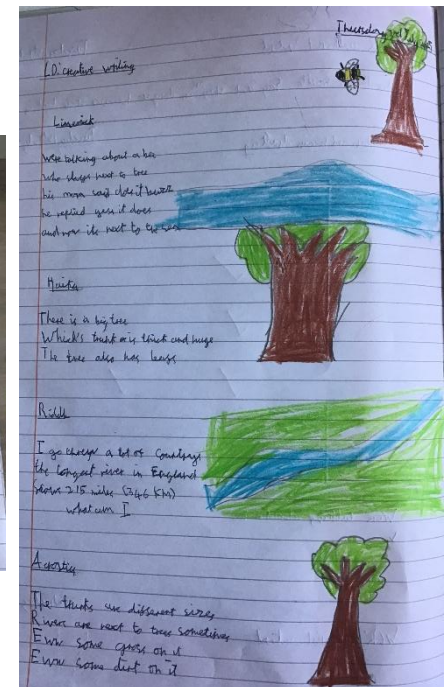
<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/oxford-owl-videos/handwriting-videos--1/>

Practicing Presentation!

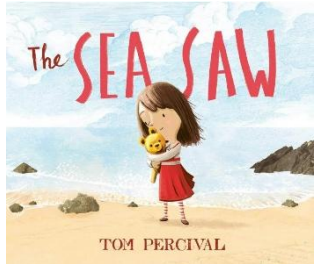
Jack, Year 4, has set out his maths work very neatly. He uses a working out margin and makes his corrections clear in purple pen.



Idris, Year 3, has been working hard on his handwriting this year. His letters are consistently both joined and neat. He uses illustrations to further take pride in his work!



Can you see the sea?

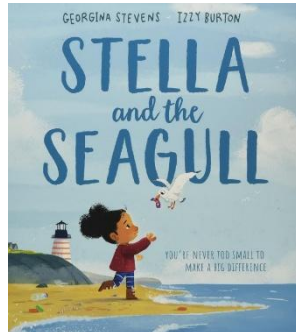


Recommended for Reception

When Sofia loses her beloved teddy after a day at the beach, she is heartbroken. But the sea saw it all....

Stella is on a campaign for change. A beach clean up sparks her whole community into action to protect the local coastal wildlife

Recommended for KS1

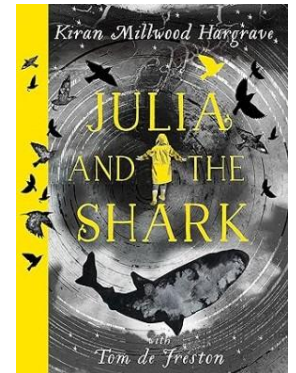


Recommended for LKS2

A page turning story full of adventure and friendship, from the author of War Horse

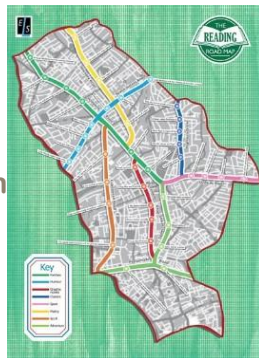
For 9+ readers. This is a beautiful book set in a lighthouse. With themes on the environment, fitting in and the search for a Greenland shark. A gripping tale

Recommended for UKS2



Congratulations!

Both Sasha Petruk and Nancy Edwards are winners of the Reading Road Map short story competition, a fantastic achievement! Their stories will feature in a book and their names will appear on the map for next years Reading Roadmap. Well done to all those that entered the competition.



The books in our library are precious! Please look after them and return them for the time tabled library sessions on a Thursday or Friday. The children in Year 6 particularly, need to return these to the school before they leave Hargrave Park. Thank you.


**PLEASE
RETURN
YOUR
LIBRARY
BOOKS**

Calling all family members...!

As our Year 6 children are reaching the end of their time as pupils here at Hargrave Park school, we are looking for family members – siblings, parents, extended family members - with inspiring stories about what you did next...

Perhaps you were part of a sports team at secondary school and had some great experiences.

Perhaps you joined a club at secondary school which gave you some fantastic opportunities.

Perhaps you met an inspiring teacher at secondary school who helped you to develop an interest which has now led the way to your current job or career.

Do you have a story you would like to share that might inspire our Year 6 pupils as they move on to secondary school? If so, please email parents@hargravepark.islington.sch.uk for the attention of Miss Baverstock and we will be in touch to hear your story and make a plan for how best to share it with our year 6 pupils.

Summer Fair

Save the date – Thursday 17th July

The Friends of Hargrave Park are well under way with planning the Summer Fair.

Please see the Friends Of Hargrave Park page to find out how you can get involved.

Frinton-on-sea

We are once again visiting Frinton in two groups:

Paddington and Mowgli have already visited Frinton on Thursday 3rd July.

Simba and Nemo will go to Frinton on Monday 7th July.

Families have been sent letters with all the details...

Whole School Theme and Exhibition

Building on our growing tradition of Summer Exhibitions, we will again be creating another spectacular collection of the children's work for families to visit at the end of term.

This year the whole school theme will be 'Patterns in Nature'.

The exhibition will be open to families on 16th and 17th July with exhibition guides from each house as follows:

Wednesday 16th July:

9:30am – 11:45am Nemo family members

1pm – 3:15pm – Simba family members

Thursday 17th July:

9:30am – 11:45am noon Mowgli family members

1pm – 3:15pm – Paddington family members

Plus the Exhibition will be open throughout the Summer Fair – 3:30 – 5pm on Thursday 17th July.

Autumn Term

Monday 1st September 2025 – Friday 19th December 2025

- Half term: Monday 27th October 2025 - Friday 31st October 2025

Spring Term

Monday 5th January 2026 – Friday 27th March 2026

- Half term: Monday 16th February 2026 - Friday 20th February 2026

Summer Term

Monday 13th April 2026 – Monday 20th July 2026

- Half term: Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026

INSET days:

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2025; Monday 3rd November 2025;

Monday 23rd February 2026; Monday 20th July 2026