

Message from Miss Baverstock

There are lots of trips happening next week – to the Natural History Museum and to Spitalfields Farm. Thank you to all parents and family members who have volunteered their time to accompany the trips. They would not be possible without this and we really appreciate it.

We will also have our first cupcake sale and pre-loved uniform sale. It worked really well to combine those events last term so we will continue with that model for now. Thank you for all the donations of clean pre-loved uniform. And thank you in advance for all the yummy cupcakes...!

Next week our teachers will each meet with their respective Assistant Head –Carla Jones or Jamie Long – to discuss the progress of the pupils in their class, set targets for the academic year and review appropriate interventions for particular individuals and groups of children.

This is an important part of the teaching and learning process and will support the teachers in preparing for parent consultations on 7th and 8th October, when you will have a chance to speak with your child's teacher about your child's progress and next steps for learning. This is a very valuable opportunity to ensure that families and the school are working in partnership to ensure all children are getting what they need in order to be successful, and we look forward to seeing lots of you there.

Upcoming events

Mon 29 th Sept	Indigo - Natural History Museum Autumn Cupcake Sale Year 6 Cardfields Meeting
Tue 30 th Sept	Cyan - Natural History Museum
Wed 1 st Oct	Violet - Natural History Museum
Fri 3 rd Oct	Purple – Spitalfields Farm
Tues 7 th Oct	Parent Consultations Lime - Spitalfields Farm
Wed 8 th Oct	Parent Consultations Orange - Spitalfields Farm
Thur 9 th Oct	Flu Vaccine - Reception to Year 6 KS1 Fire Safety workshops Friends of Hargrave Park – AGM
w/c 13 th Oct	Violet Class swimming each day
Wed 15 th Oct	Purple Class Assembly
w/c 20 th Oct	Year 6 to Cardfields Purple Class swimming each day Year 5 – Bikeability
Wed 22 nd Oct	Red Class Assembly
Thur 23 rd Oct	Spooky and Sparkly Disco!
w/c 27 th Oct Half term holiday – school closed	
Mon 3 rd Nov	INSET Day – school closed to children

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Save the date - Parent Consultations!

Detailed correspondence has been sent out at 4pm today, with instructions on how to book your 10 minute slot for you to meet with your child's teacher.

Tuesday 7th October

a.m.

8:40 – 10:50am

Red, Green and Blue Classes – in Middle Hall

11:00am – 12 noon

Orange Class - in Middle Hall

p.m.

1:00 – 3:20pm

Pink Class and Nursery - in Middle Hall

Twilight - 3:50 – 5:50pm

Orange, Lime and Purple Classes - in Orange Class

Indigo, Cyan and Violet Classes - in Lime Class

Nursery - in Nursery Classroom

Wednesday 8th October

a.m.

8:40 – 10:50am

Indigo, Cyan and Violet Classes - in Middle Hall

p.m. 1:00 – 3:20pm

Lime and Purple Classes - in Middle Hall

2:00 – 3:20pm

Orange Class - in Middle Hall

Twilight - 3:50 – 5:50pm

Pink Class - in Pink Class

Red, Green and Blue Classes - in Green Class

Here are some of our new displays in the library, a mixture of topic themes and objects to encourage further exploration.



Please provide your stories to Mrs Johnstone, the Librarian, by
Friday 24th October.

For further information on the competition:-
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words>

Books can be borrowed from the library to take home. Please remember to look after these books and return them on a Thursday or Friday depending on the scheduled Library day. They can be swapped for a new book. Thank you

Congratulations to our new KS2 Pupil Librarians! We had so many applications for the role this year, with some very well thought out responses.

Thank you to all those that took part.
The first sessions have taken place this week.



Home Learning

Home learning has resumed!

Here is a reminder of what to expect:

EYFS and KS1:

- Weekly home learning is set on Tapestry on Fridays and due the following Wednesday
- Children should be reading at home for at least 5 minutes a day. Reading journals should be brought to school and are checked by teachers weekly.
- In KS1 classes weekly spellings are set on Tapestry every Monday, with a spelling test on Friday

KS2:

- Digital home learning is set on Seesaw on Fridays and due the following Wednesday
- Doodle spellings are set on Mondays with spelling tests each Friday
- Children should be reading at home for 15 minutes a day. Reading records should be brought to school and are checked by teachers weekly.
- Children are encouraged to use Doodle Maths and English for 10 minutes a day

More details and links to user guides can be found on our website: <https://hargravepark.com/teaching-learning/our-curriculum/home-learning/>

Year 6 residential to Cardfields

Monday 20th October to Friday 24th October
2024

All year 6 children are expected to attend the week-long residential at Cardfields in Essex. It is a popular tradition on the calendar where children make lasting memories!

A meeting for parents will be held on Monday 29th September at 3:40pm in Indigo Class, where you can find out more information.

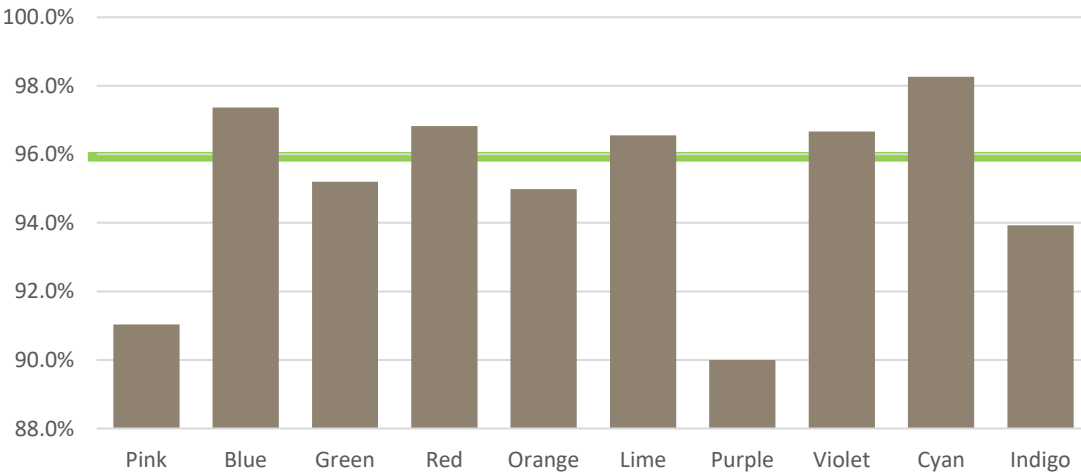
Please contact Tracy in the office if you have any questions about payment.

You can explore more on their facilities here:
<https://cardfields.co.uk/about-us/>



Attendance Matters

W/C 19/09/25 – 25/09/25



Best Class Attendance this week goes to...

Cyan class
They have achieved 98.3% attendance this week.

Since the 3rd September 2025, we have had **86** children arrive late to school.

Already that is **1988** lost minutes of learning!
Please try your best in arriving on time to school

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

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

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 **W**.

W: Down, up, down, and up.

W : Start at the top. Go down, back up to the top, down, and back up to the top.

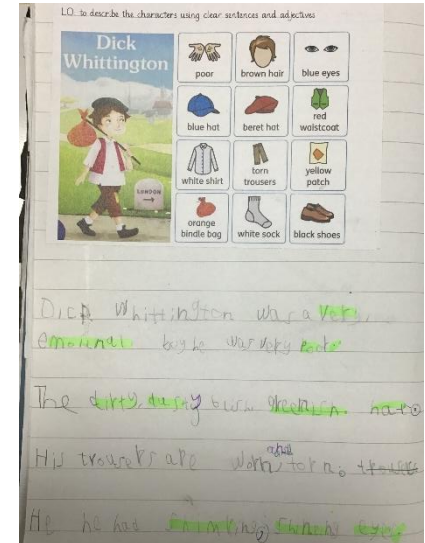
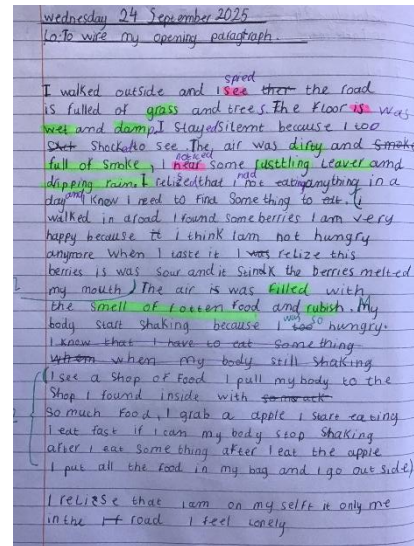
Practice at home!

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!

Zidayne in Red Class, right, and Caddie in Indigo Class, left, have both been working hard on their extended writing. They have maintained high presentation standards throughout to produce two lengthy pieces. Well done to both!



Our Parent and Staff Association

Friends of Hargrave Park School

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

HARGRAVE PARK SCHOOL

**AUTUMN
CUPCAKE
& UNIFORM
SALE**

**Monday 29 September 3.30pm
In the playground**

Bring in your best Autumn themed cupcakes for your chance to be our 'Star Baker' chosen by Mrs Horton and Miss Baverstock

Deliver your bakes to the playground at 3.20pm, or drop them off in the morning at reception, to be included in the judging.

**Cupcakes
£1 each**

**Absolutely
NO NUTS**




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.

Cupcake & Uniform Sale

Monday 29 September 3.30pm, in the playground



Bake your best Autumn themed cupcakes for our first event of the year. The best bake will be awarded the Hargrave Park 'Star Baker' wooden spoon, as judged by Miss Baverstock.

Please make sure your bakes are clearly label and do not contain any nuts. Deliver your cupcakes or pre-slice traybake to the playground at 3.20pm or drop them off in the morning at the office to be included in the judging.

Alongside the cakes we will be selling pre-loved school uniform. All Hargrave branded items will be £1 and everything else free. If you have uniform you want to donate please bring these in on Monday freshly washed so they can be added to the sale.



Let us know if you are coming to our **Annual General Meeting on Thursday 9 October, 4.45-5.15 at the school.** It will be a chance to have a say on what we do this year.
friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com



Can you lend a hand at our disco or fair?

Volunteers at our Sparkly and Spooky Disco and our Winter Fair are vital to them going ahead. Whether it's setting up, helping during the event or tidying up, it all makes a massive difference. Please get in touch if you can help in anyway: friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com



Upcoming Event Dates for your Diary

Monday 29 September - 3.30-3.45pm
Autumn Cupcake & Uniform Sale

Thursday 9 October - 4.45-5.15pm
Annual General Meeting (in school)

Thursday 23 October
Sparkly and Spooky Disco (Y1 - Y5)

Monday 17 November
Winter Cupcake & Uniform Sale

Jolly Jumper Exchange
Dates to be confirmed

Coming up
★ Winter Fair & Santa's Grotto
★ March Reading Challenge
★ Dare to be Different Day



Conduct on School Premises

Everyone in our school community has the right to feel safe and happy.

We work hard to make sure that school is a safe and happy place for all.

We understand that problems happen from time to time and we ask that you bring any concerns to a member of staff so the concern can be addressed appropriately.

Please do not approach children or adults of other families directly – particularly if you are feeling angry. We ask all members of our school community to demonstrate respect at all times while on premises. Please do not behave in any way which compromises the wellbeing of any of the members of our school community.

Are you a parent or carer with an adopted child or a Special Guardian?

Every child who has been adopted, with a Special Guardianship Order or Child Arrangement Order attracts funding for our child's school called Pupil Premium Plus. This is a special category of Pupil Premium funding especially to support learning and achievement of this group of children. It can be a vital source of funding for schools to ensure your child gets the extra support they need. However, unlike the Pupil Premium Plus funding for children in care, the school will only receive the funding if the child is recorded on the annual October school census. If they have not been registered, the funding will not be forthcoming from the Department for Education. Schools are not always aware which children have been adopted or have Special Guardianship or Child Arrangement Orders, as they rely on parents or carers to tell them. We understand this can be a sensitive topic and want you to feel comfortable sharing, but we can assure you that the information you tell us about your child is kept confidential and handled sensitively. We kindly ask that you let us know this information about your child. We will need some written evidence from you to confirm your child status; this could be document from social services or a copy of the child's adoption or special guardianship order.

Every school has Designated Teacher for looked-after children and previously looked-children and in Hargrave Park School our Designated Teacher is Jamie Long, who would be happy to speak to you about this. Alternatively speak to Dean Pooley, our Pastoral Care Manager.

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

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

A raised
temperature
is over
37.5

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 otherwise a message will be sent home via email informing you

Appointments to
be made after
school

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