

Message from Miss Baverstock

There is a lot happening as usual!

Earlier in the week representatives from Islington were outside school sharing plans for street improvements for Hargrave Park and Bredgar Road. The plans look great – they include widening the pavement and adding more greenery to make the street more attractive. The consultation runs until 9th March. Take a look and share your views here islington.street-improvements

World Book Day is coming up on Thursday 5th March. It is a favourite event in the school community and a chance for children and staff to dress up as a favourite book character. I'm looking forward to seeing all those Harry Potters, Alice in Wonderlands, Willy Wonkas and many more. I am remembering a year when a child dressed up as The Lion, The Witch **and** the Wardrobe!

Every class will have a visit from a 'Celebrity Story Teller'. This is an opportunity for Teachers to share their love of reading with another class.

Looking ahead to Wednesday 18th March, parents are invited to attend and Anti-bullying workshop – this will be run by Heather Vacciana from the School Wellbeing Service. Please see Page 2 for more details.

It is important that school and families help young people to navigate the online world. It is a powerful way to share ideas, be inspired, make connections, communicate and collaborate with friends. It provides many positive experiences and can be life-enhancing. Unfortunately there have been a number of incidents recently of unacceptable behaviour online by pupils. I would like to remind you that we have Acceptable Use Policies for pupils and families. Please take some time to read and digest these. See page 4 for more details.



Upcoming events

- Tues 3rd Mar** Cyan Class - Woodberry Wetlands
Red Class - Camley Street
- Wed 4th Mar** **Orange Class Assembly**
- Thur 5th Mar** World Book Day!

Week of 9th March British Science Week

- Mon 9th Mar** Maamulaha Tag Rugby tournament
Orange class - Woodberry Wetlands

Tues 10th and Wed 11th

Parent Consultations – see p3

- Tue 10th Mar** Violet Class - Woodberry Wetlands
- Wed 11th Mar** Green Class - Camley Street
Anti-bullying workshops for pupils

- Thu 12th Mar** Indigo Class - Woodberry Wetlands
- Fri 13th Mar** Pink Class and HP Cabin to Kentish
Town City Farm

- Tue 17th Mar** **Purple Class Assembly NB date change**
- Wed 18th Mar** Anti-bullying parent workshop – see p2
- Tue 24th Mar** Purple Class - Woodberry Wetlands
Lime Class – Woodberry Wetlands

- Wed 25th Mar** **Red Class Assembly**
Blue Class - Camley Street

Fri 27th Mar Last day of term: 2pm dismissal

Mon 30th Mar – Fri 10th April – Easter Holiday

In the Newsletter today:

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Wednesday 18th March at 9am: Parent/carer workshops on Anti-Bullying

Come along for a coffee and hear from Heather Vacciana, Islington's Anti-Bullying coordinator. It is also an opportunity to meet our new Pastoral Care Manager, Sinead Hatchett-Ricketts.



Themes for discussion include:



- What bullying is/isn't
- Restorative work the school takes to resolve friendship issues
 - The process for raising a complaint
 - Online safety



*This a part of a school-wide initiative.
There will also be staff training taking place this term.
Years 5 and 6 pupils will take part in Anti-Bullying workshops
on Wednesday 11th March.*

Save the date - Parent Consultations!

You will receive further correspondence soon, including instructions on how to book your ten minute slot with your child's teacher.

Tuesday 10th March

a.m.

8:40 – 10:50am

Red, Green and Blue Classes
in Middle Hall

p.m.

1:00 – 3:20pm

Pink Class and Nursery
in Middle Hall

Twilight - 3:50 – 5:50pm
Lime and Purple Classes
in Orange Class

Indigo, Cyan and Violet Classes
in Lime Class

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Staying Safe Online

Keeping your child safe online is as much about the content they create and the messages they send as the content they view or receive.

Users of snapchat, tiktok and other social media platforms must be at least 13 years old.

Content which is posted can be online forever even if you delete it.

Please read our Acceptable Use Policies - [Hargrave Park Online-Safety](#)

Make sure that you and your child understand them. In particular:

I am a good friend online

I won't share or say anything I know would upset another person or they wouldn't want shared. If a friend is worried or needs help, I remind them to talk to an adult, or even do it for them.

I am careful what I share and protect my online reputation

I know anything I do can be shared and might stay online forever (even on Snapchat or if I delete it).

I am not a bully

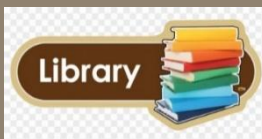
I know just calling something fun or banter doesn't stop it maybe hurting someone else. I do not post, make or share unkind, hurtful or rude messages/comments and if I see it happening, I will tell my trusted adults.

I follow age rules

13+ games, apps and films aren't good for me so I don't use them

If I make a mistake I don't try to hide it but ask for help.

It is important to speak with your children about their online activity.
Try this quiz to get the conversation started! [nspcc.org.uk online-safety quiz](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety-quiz)



Competition time

Islington Reading Road Map Short Story
Competition is now taking entries

Open to Key Stage 2

It needs to be your own original story

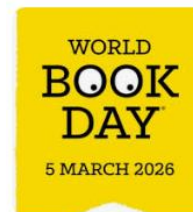
Up to 500 words

It will be marked on it's creativity,
imagination, use of language.

Most importantly, have fun writing it!

Stories must be submitted by 25th April
(The Librarian will do this for you)

Winning entries will be printed in a book
which will be included in the Reading
Roadmap next year, with the name of the
winners and the school appearing on the
map itself!



Each pupil will have received a token
which they can exchange for a **free** 'World
book day' book, in most libraries,
supermarkets and book shops, up to the
15th March whilst stocks last.

Which one will you choose?

World Book Day® 2026 £1/€1.50 books line up



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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 **F**.

F: Down, lift, across at the top, lift, across in the middle.

f: Start at the top. Go round, and straight down. Lift your pencil, and cross the 'f' in the middle.

Practice at home!

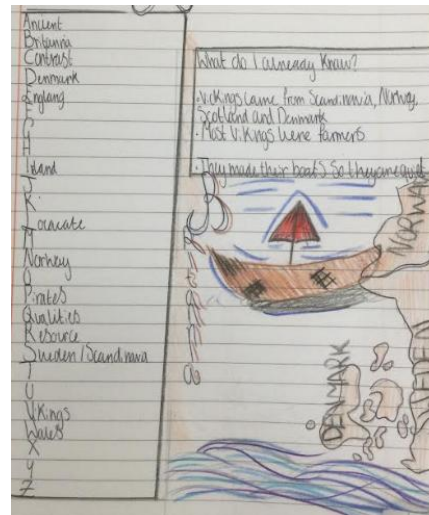
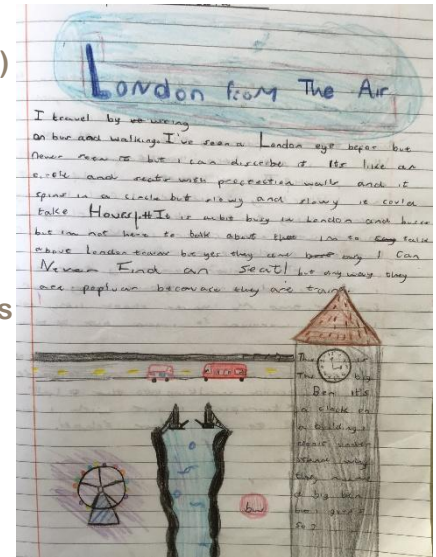
The school uses the Nelson Handwriting scheme from Oxford Owl. Take a look at the videos below for tips on practice at home and fine motor warm-up exercises. Encourage children to verbalise what they are doing to understand their thought processes as they write.

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

Practising Presentation!

This week in Topic pre-assessment, both Tiana-Maye (Purple Class, right) and Aniyah (Indigo Class, below) have demonstrated a thoughtful approach to presenting their learning.

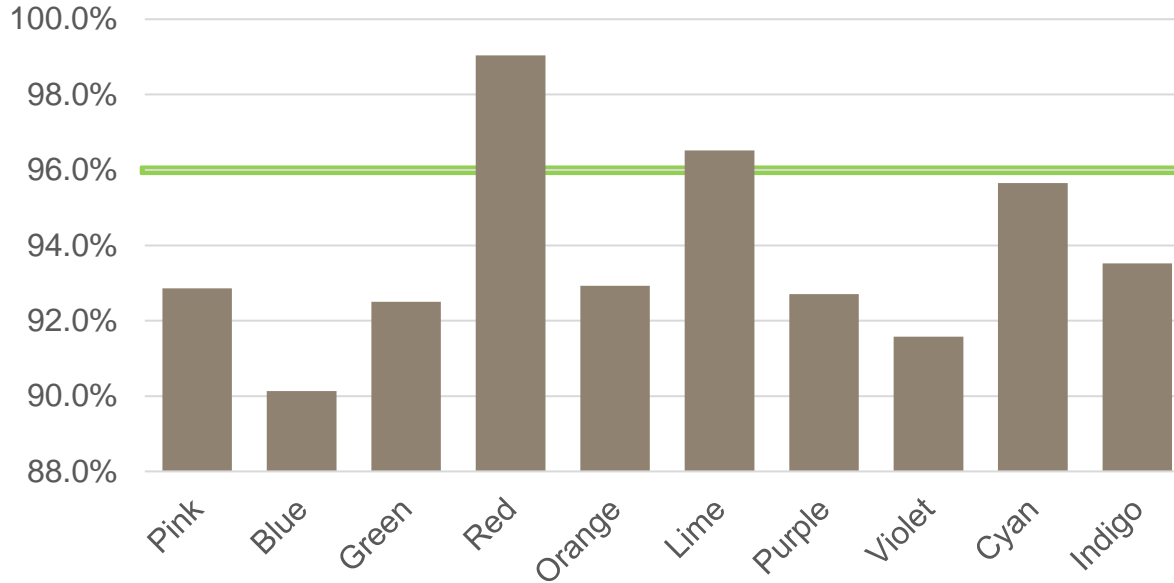
Tiana-Maye has written a neat paragraph explaining how she travels around London. She has taken care with her handwriting and enhanced her work with lovely illustrations of London landmarks.



Aniyah has confidently identified what she already knows about Rule Britannia by organising her ideas creatively in an A-Z format. She has presented her work clearly and included colourful illustrations to enrich and support her learning.

Well done to both of them!

W/C 13/2/26 – 26/2/26



Best Class Attendance

Well done to Red class
They have achieved 99% attendance
this week

Medication in School

Please ensure your child has their asthma pump and spacer in school. Children may need them more in the cold and damp weather.

If your child has prescribed medication that they may need in school eg asthma pump, epi-pen, buccolam or antibiotics, a medical form must be completed on the Piota app.

You may be asked to complete a medical care plan and provide supporting documents.

All medication must be handed in to the school office.

Our Parent and Staff Association

Friends of Hargrave Park School

We are your parent and staff association organising events and activities to build the school community and raise funds to enhance our children's experience of school life.



Socialise & have fun

- Become a class rep
- Join the class WhatsApp group
- Come to a coffee morning
- Attend the school fairs



Volunteer & take part

- Help with events like the pre-loved uniform sale or winter fair
- Bake cupcakes or traybakes
- Buy raffle tickets or be a sponsor

Look out for our page in the school newsletter to find out more about our events and how you can get involved.



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