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Friday 4th September

Message from Miss Baverstock

Welcome back to the new school year. It is a joy to see all the children. Everyone is a little bit taller, and there are lots of new shoes and smart hairstyles. It's great to see children taking pride in their appearance!

Next week you will have a chance to visit your child's new classroom and meet their new teacher. See Page 2 for more information.

Starting with a new teacher can take a bit of getting used to. Here at Hargrave Park we work hard to make sure the school experience is as consistent as possible. Things change, things stay the same!

In their new classroom, your child will still have a calm corner, a reading area, and the same behaviour expectations. The school values and Habits of Mind still guide our behaviour and learning behaviours. The lunch hall looks the same and houses are the same. There are many familiar adults who know and understand the pupils well.

I have shared our school Vision, Mission and Values on Page 3. These are shared with the children often, underpin all of our work here and give us a common language when talking about expected behaviours.

The Habits of Mind are on Page 4. Similarly, we teach the children to cultivate the Habits of Mind, in order to develop a good set of learning behaviours to help tackle any situation successfully – in school and out!

We also have expectations of all visitors to the school including family members. This supports the school to be a safe, happy, respectful and productive environment. Please see the link below to read the Code of Conduct for Parents and Visitors on Hargrave Park School Premises.
Hargravepark.com//HR-Model-Code-of-Conduct-for-parents-and-visitors
Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

Upcoming events

Week Beginning 7th Sept
Meet the Teacher

Wed 9th Sept	School Photos
Thu 24th Sep	Flu Vaccinations Rec – Yr6
Mon 5th Oct	Purple Class – Stone Age Workshop
Tues 6th Oct	Lime Class – Stone Age Workshop
Mon 12th Oct	Orange Class – Stone Age Workshop

Week beginning 19th October
Year 6 to Cardfields
Year 5 Bikeability

Thurs 22nd Oct Spooky and Sparkly Disco



In the Newsletter today:

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Meet the Teacher!

Next week you will get the chance to visit your child's new classroom and meet their new teachers.

These will take place after school as per the timetable below.
There will be a 10 minute presentation from the teacher with time for questions afterwards about general classroom organisation, timetables, expectations etc.
Questions are for general classroom matters, rather than individual assessment updates.
Individual parent consultations will be coming in October.

Please find the timetable below:

Monday 7th September 3:40-4pm: Nursery and Pink Class

Tuesday 8th September 3:40-4pm: Blue and Red Class

Wednesday 9th September 3:40-4pm: Orange, Lime and Purple Class

Thursday 10th September 3:40-4pm: Violet, Cyan and Indigo Class

Families please collect your child from the playground at home time and walk round to the front of the school to enter through the office.
A member of the leadership team will then meet you there and show you to the correct classroom.

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Our Vision

Hargrave Park is a school where children and adults are valued and supported to aim high.

We are all confident learners, who are inspired by the world, flexible in our thinking and understand how to care for ourselves and others.

We have pride in everything we do, and we look after what we have.

Our Mission

We encourage our staff and our children to be confident and independent in everything they do, while feeling fully supported and equipped to deliver the best they can.

Children are taught to be caring, ambitious and self-sufficient through the provision of an enriched curriculum, excellent teaching and using the 16 'Habits of Mind'.

We teach our children to explore and understand the world so they can better care for it - and succeed in it.

Hargrave Park School provides an uplifting, well-resourced space for staff and children to thrive.

Our Values



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Habits of Mind


Listening with Empathy and Understanding


Managing Impulsivity


Thinking Flexibly


Thinking About Your Thinking (Metacognition)


Striving for Accuracy and Precision


Thinking and Communicating with Clarity and Precision


Questioning and Problem Posing


Persistence


Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations


Creating, Imagining and Innovating


Taking Responsible Risks


Remaining Open to Continuous Learning


Responding with Awe and Wonderment


Gathering Data Through All the Senses


Finding Humour


Thinking Interdependently

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Under 3's Friday 4th September

Settling-in : how can you help at home ?

Starting nursery is an exciting milestone for your child, and some kind and gentle steps can help them feel happy, secure, and confident as they settle in.

- Talk about nursery in a positive and happy way. Share your excitement about the new experiences they will enjoy, the activities they will take part in, and the friends they will make.
- Look at Tapestry picture regularly and make nursery part of your child's routine by talking about it during the week and before bedtime.
- Reassure your child that they are safe and cared for at nursery, and that you are happy while they are away, whether you are working, staying at home, or enjoying your own activities.
- Remind them that you will always come back to collect them and that nursery is a special place where they can learn, play, explore, and grow.

Sharing your Special Moments

Children love sharing their home experiences with their friends and key person.

Don't hesitate to upload photos of holidays, weekends, special moments, favourite toys, or activities from home on Tapestry.

During circle time and one-to-one sessions, children enjoy sharing their stories, talking about the people and things that are special to them, and celebrating their experiences from home.

All about me

This term our topic is **All About Me**. We will be:

- Creating self-portraits and talking about what makes us unique.
- Sharing our likes, dislikes, families, holidays and favourite activities.
- Learning that everyone is different and that we all belong to our nursery and wider community.
- Exploring colours, shapes and textures through art and sensory play.
- Singing nursery rhymes, sharing stories and developing our communication and language skills.
- Building independence through everyday routines and learning through play.



A little request: Please upload on Tapestry some family photos, showing your child's favourite people (and pets!).

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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 or find is on Instagram

Every parent and carer of a child at the school, as well as staff, are automatically a member of Friends of Hargrave Park School.

Run by a committee of parent volunteers, we organise events and activities that aim to build the school community and raise funds to help enhance all Hargrave children's experience of school life.

Being part of the committee or becoming a class rep is a great way to get to know other families while supporting the school. You can also get involved through the year helping to support our events and activities.

Hello and welcome back!

We hope you had a great summer and start to the new school year. Friends of Hargrave Park is the school's parent and staff association. It brings parents, carers and staff together to support the school, build a community, and enhance opportunities for every child so they can thrive at the school. We'd love you to get involved this year, no matter how much time you can give.

Whether you can spare an half an hour or take a more active role through the year every little bit of support makes huge difference. Please get in touch if you can.

Last year, thanks to the generosity of Hargrave families and staff we raised over £3,000 allows us to fund new equipment for the Home Corners and the Huband subsides the cost of the coaches to Frinton.

Keeping in touch with your class family

To help you stay connected and informed of school life we have class What's App groups from the baby & toddler rooms to year 6. If you would like the link to join yours, please email **friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com** and let us know which class your child is in.

Could you help strengthen our parent community by becoming a rep for your class. If you are interested please email **friendsofhargravepark@gmail.com**

Upcoming Event Dates for your Diary

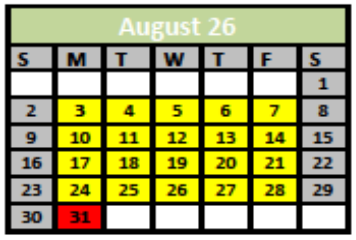


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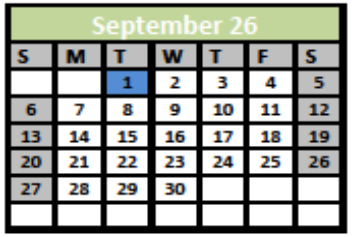
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Term dates 26-27 Friday 4th September



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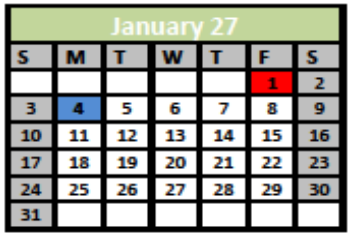
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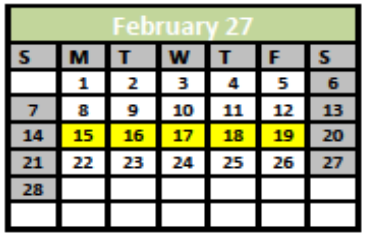
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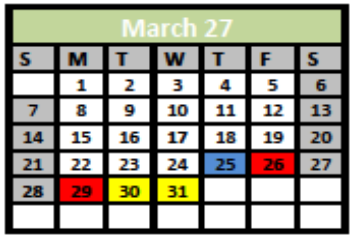
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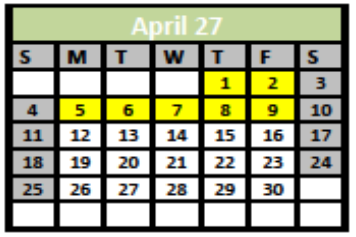
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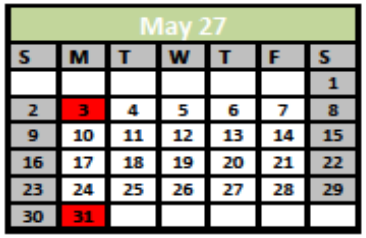
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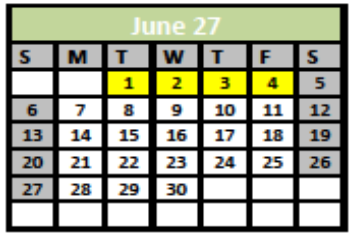
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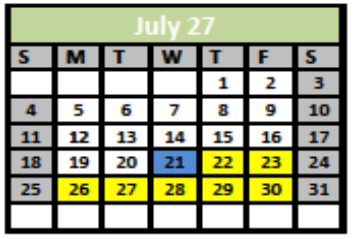
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2026 – 2027 term dates

Inset Day
(no school for students)

Bank Holiday

School Holidays