

6th June 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the final half-term of the academic year, summer 2! The year has absolutely flown by, and the same will be true of the next six weeks, so let's get ready for all the magical moments that lay ahead for our Daubeney family!

This half-term, we will be focused on **Design & Technology**, under the banner of '**Beautiful or Useful?**' We will share with you in due course which each year group will be studying. However, to facilitate those home learning conversations, in our usual fashion, please find below our **Golden Expectation** and our **Word of the Week**.

Golden Expectation: **Be kind, helpful and gentle**

Word of the Week: **Change**

Before recapping on the week, I urge you to visit our **highlights tab** for a snapshot of some the **outstanding teaching and learning** that happens here on a daily basis.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/highlights>

Returning to school after the holiday on Monday, we saw our **Y4** cohort venture off on their first day of a two-week intensive **swimming** course. Swimming is part of the national curriculum, but importantly it is a vital life skill we want all of our children to secure. Swimming lessons will continue daily next week for Y4. This time next year, we are hoping to have a swimming pool on site which will allow more time in the pool, but also more year groups in addition to the y4 cohort. You'll hear more about this next academic year!

On Tuesday it was a pleasure, a privilege and an inspiration to be part of the **Y5 Ambassador interviews** alongside Ms Bird, Mr Warren and Rosa (a Y6 pupil and current ambassador). The standard of candidates and interviews were arguably the highest we have ever seen! Congratulations to all of those that were successful, and to all of those that were unsuccessful you will sit on our reserve list.

Wednesday was a standard T&L Day. However, out of the ordinary, several members of the **Daubeney village**, including myself, attended a world premier screening of '*London Boys*' a movie directed by Arun Nangla and Laura Pavone (Daubeney parents). There is a screening tomorrow in Shoreditch should you wish to support our village members. For more info access the link below.

<https://richmix.org.uk/cinema/london-boys/>

On Thursday, as part of the transition package for our **Y6** pupils, they were fortunate enough to receive a **financial literacy** session delivered by employees of Lloyds bank. This was facilitated by one of our parent partners and village member, **Ian Lloyd** - massive thanks Ian 😊

We are also thrilled to announce that on Thursday our athletics team secured first place in the Hackney Primary School Athletics Competition held at Mile End stadium! This outstanding achievement marks a proud moment in our sports history and showcases the dedication, determination and talent of our young athletes.

Thursday also saw us host a **writing moderation** visit from **Hackney Education (HE)**. As part of their remit, HE has to quality assure the teacher assessments of teachers for school's within their authority. We were last quality assured three years ago, so tis visit is just part of that monitoring cycle and nothing untoward! I am very pleased to say that as expected all went well and our teachers' assessment of our pupils' writing is accurately assessed. This now brings the assessment period for our **Y6** team to a close and we now patiently await our SATs results on 8th July.

Friday saw us bring week 1 of the summer 2 half-term to a successful close, and now we look forward to a great weekend and an even busier week 2.

As we bring today's letter to a close, we wish those celebrating Eid today, Eid Mubarak! Do have a wonderful weekend, whatever you do!

Finally, please read the letter below from Angela and the team at Hackney Marsh Adventure Playground, they need our support! And do check out the fliers below regarding upcoming events here at Daubeney.

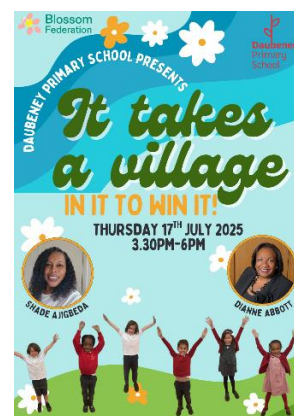
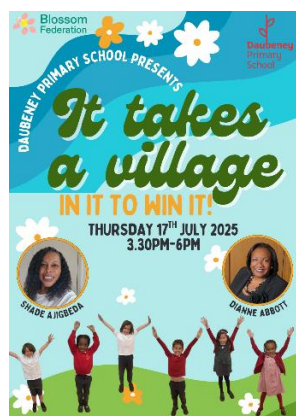
Yours sincerely,



Mr Gregory Logan
Head of School



Mr Robin Warren
Executive Head Teacher



Dear Friends & Families

Hackney Marsh Adventure Playground is raising funds to build a new wooden play structure supported by the BUILD UP FOUNDATION.

This play structure will be created and designed by our young people and they will get the chance to help build and construct it in the summer.

We need your help, not just with donations, which would be greatly received, but by sharing this message -

- Please forward this email
- Tag friends on social media
- Post about it in your networks

Together, we can create something magical this summer!

Donate and share here: <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/hackney-marsh>

Thank you so much for your support

Angela & The Play Team at Hackney Marsh Adventure Playground

