

26th September 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

In our usual fashion, we'll start our weekly update letter by letting you know our golden expectation of the week, our word of the week and our debate topic of the week, which are:

Golden Expectation: **Always be in control of your behaviour**

Word of the Week: **Choices**

Debate of the Week: **Children should choose their own school uniform.**

To reiterate, the above is provided not only to keep you abreast of things at school, but they should also facilitate home learning conversations, or debates! Another way to ignite home learning conversations, is to visit our highlights tab <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/highlights>. This provides a great stimulus for conversations with your child(ren) about learning at school.

Thank you to everyone that attended our '**Welcome to Daubeney**' event last Friday. The event was primarily focussed on welcoming our new cohort of **Reception parents** to the Daubeney village. A massive thank you must be said to our Daubeney Village parents, children's and teachers' association (PCTA) and parents from our Black and Global Majority Parent Group (BGMPG) who had stalls on the day sharing information, cakes and a plethora of other goodies!

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind our parents that there is a range of support we can offer you as parents here at Daubeney. As a school we can offer you support either directly at school or from our Children and Family Hub please access the link below for more information.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/childrens-centre-and-family-hub>. Within the school setting we can offer you support from our **CAMHS Worker in Schools**

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/1048#sitelive-viewer/>; there are a range of parent workshops available over the year and we can even offer you the opportunity to have a '**pop up shop**' if you have a fledgling business. There is also the opportunity to socialise at events such as the Daubeney Quiz Night.

As a school we would appreciate it if you, as parents, attended all our parent consultation meetings and whole school events e.g. **Stay & Play** events, **Winter Fair** and worked alongside us as parent partners to support the holistic development of our children. In that vein, we need to recruit a new treasurer for the PCTA. If you have experience in finance and would like to know more about what the role entails send an email to admin@daubeney.hackney.sch.uk and we'll get a 'JD' out to you.

As mentioned previously, we are currently holding our **School Council elections** which always gets our children excited as they prepare to be the change they would like to see at Daubeney. If you'd like to support your child with this, you may find the following video link useful, and this is another opportunity to have home learning conversations about 'democracy'. [School Council Elections 2025 - Daubeney Primary School](#)



As a final reminder, **Hackney Council** would like to invite some of its youngest citizens from Daubeney Primary to **design a poster** aimed at tackling the issue of dog fouling. Hackney Council is launching a new campaign to keep our streets and public spaces clean and tidy, tackling issues like littering, dog fouling, and fly-tipping. If you need some inspiration please see example from Haringey -

<https://www.haringey.veolia.co.uk/about-us/haringey-news/bruce-grove-school-children-turn-their-nose-dog-mess> Please hand in your posters to Ms Gedny with your name, age and class on the back of your poster. The deadline to submit a poster is 1st October 2025.

This week we enjoyed having **Mr Warren in residence** and showing off to him how well we are doing here at Daubeney. If you have not watched Mr Warren's update video this week, please access the link below.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/events/mr-warren-s-video-update-25th-september-2025>

As we bring this week's letter to a close, I'd like to encourage you to please afford time for your child(ren) to access **Times Tables Rock Stars** (TTRS) to consolidate their times table knowledge. Having a secure knowledge of times tables significantly reduces the cognitive processing for our children when solving maths problems. As a school leader I want to build on the wonderful KS2 SATs maths results we received last year (88% at expected standard and 52% at greater depth standard), and having a secure knowledge of timetables will certainly assist with this.

Looking ahead we will be hosting our individual **Autumn term parent consultations** on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th November (15:45 – 18:00). Please make a note of these dates and times, we will be sharing invitations with you in the near future.

A personal focus for me this year is, names on **school uniform**. I implore you to write your child(ren)'s name on their uniform. Children being children will discard their clothes in their wake, and we do remind children to look after their uniform. However, it is extremely challenging returning uniform to children when we cannot identify who a particular item of clothing belongs to.

As another reminder, please come and speak with a member of SLT at drop-off or collection time if there is anything you'd like to discuss to improve outcomes for your child, or the Daubeney village.

It's been a great start to the autumn term, and we now look forward to showcasing our school to Lisa Williams, our new **School Improvement Partner (SIP)** on Monday 29th September and focusing on our school development priorities to continue our perpetual school improvement journey.

In the meantime, whatever you do enjoy a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,



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Head of School



Robin Warren
Executive Head Teacher



