

Welcome to the fourth edition of our newsletter for the Summer 2 half-term. This week our newsletter focus is **Reading**. This week in our pupil feature we are highlighting our Reading Champions and in our staff feature this week, we celebrate **Ms Yasmin, who leads on our Project Reader programme**.

As always, do enjoy the read and use the points covered to stimulate home learning conversations.



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Home learning conversations

Golden Expectation of the Week: **Learn Brilliantly**

Word of the Week: **Progress**

Curriculum feature – Project Reader

Project Reader is part of our strong commitment to developing a lifelong love of reading among our pupils. As a welcoming and inclusive Hackney community school, we place high importance on literacy, recognising that reading is central to our children's success across the curriculum and in later life. Through initiatives like Project Reader, the school supports pupils to become confident, fluent readers who enjoy engaging with a wide range of texts. This aligns closely with Hackney Education's wider approach to literacy, which emphasises building deep understanding, encouraging reading for pleasure, and developing strong communication skills. Here at Daubeney, reading is embedded across all areas of learning, with a strong focus on oracy, vocabulary development and creative engagement with stories. Project Reader contributes to a rich reading culture, ensuring pupils not only learn to read but develop a genuine enthusiasm for books that supports their future learning.

Looking back – The week started with **Year 5 and Year 6** pupils being captivated by an exciting Spanish performance of Romeo and Juliet, brought to life by the talented Onatti Productions. Five of our incredibly brave students took to the stage in front of their peers, confidently stepping into the roles of Romeo, Juliet, Paris, Friar Laurence and Tybalt. Speaking entirely in Spanish, they amazed everyone with their confidence and showcased their impressive multilingual talents beautifully.

On Tuesday there was a **Federation SLT** strategy day looking ahead to and planning for the new academic year. Wednesday was hot! We adapted our provision to support our parent community. It's impossible to please all the people all of the time, but we wanted to support those parents who are unable to take their children home due to work commitments. Thank you to those who shared words of encouragement. The week concluded in an atypical fashion with our Golden Achievers enjoying a Head of School tea party alongside their parents and peers.

Looking forward – It will be a very busy term, as such, we implore you to visit our **online calendar** on a regular basis.

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/calendar>

Staff Feature – You probably know me as **Miss Yasmin**. For those of you who don't—I am, in fact, Miss Yasmin! This is the part where I'd usually tell you my age, but I won't be doing that today. I always say that age is just a number... although we all know what that usually means—hah! I've been at Daubeney for almost nine years now, and I must say they've absolutely flown by. My role includes supporting children across the school, running after-school clubs, and supervising trips. While I work in many different areas, my main speciality is supporting children with their early progression in reading. This is something I truly love—it fills me with pride to watch their confidence and ability grow day by day. During my time here, I've also become a qualified Hackney Reading Coach, which reflects the hard work I've put in over the years. I'm lucky to work alongside a wonderful and diverse team. Daubeney's multicultural community creates a welcoming and enriching environment for everyone. If you're searching for a primary school, I highly recommend Daubeney—we'd love to welcome you!



Pupil Feature – Our Daubeney Reading Champions programme is a pupil-led initiative that promotes a love of reading across the school. Selected pupils take on leadership roles, encouraging their peers to enjoy books and build positive reading habits. Their aim is to make reading a valued and enjoyable part of everyday school life, Reading Champions act as ambassadors for literacy by recommending books, organising activities, and sharing ideas with other schools in Hackney. They also attend special events, where they meet other young readers and celebrate their achievements. The programme helps pupils develop important skills, including confidence, teamwork, and communication. It also encourages regular “book talk,” where children discuss stories, authors, and genres to deepen their understanding. Overall, the programme strengthens the school’s reading culture by empowering pupils to lead and inspire others, making reading a fun and shared experience for all.

House Keeping – Children from **Y1-Y6** are scheduled to **visit the beach** this term. Payments need to be made promptly to support us deliver these trips.

Year 1&2 <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/1137#sitelive-viewer/>

Year 3&4 - <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/1136#sitelive-viewer/>

Years 5&6 - <https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/1135#sitelive-viewer/>

Please note that **School will close at 2pm** on **Friday 10th July** for our Summer Fair and **school will close at 1pm** on **Friday 17th July** for the Summer Holiday.

Parent and Carer Survey - [Daubeney School Parent School Development Questionnaire 2025-2026 DUE 3rd July – Fill out form](#)

Our **Apex Holiday Club** is now taking bookings via the link below
<https://eequ.org/book/apex-daubeney-easter-holiday-club-and-trips-with-apex-17230>

Yours sincerely,

Mr Gregory Logan, Head of School & Mr Robin Warren, Executive Head Teacher