

Welcome to the conclusion of week 6 of the autumn 1 'Intrepid Explorers' Geography themed half-term. Continuing with the theme for this half-term, we implore you to visit and explore our website. This week I'm suggesting you visit

<https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/curriculum/101-things>

To explore the **101 things** we do here to spark your child(ren)'s imagination. Do have conversations about what they have done already, and what they are looking forward to doing before leaving in Y6.



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Home learning conversations

Golden Expectation of the Week: Stay safe and care for people and property

Word of the Week: Belong

Curriculum Feature –

At Daubeney we are passionate about experiential learning, believing that children learn best through meaningful, hands-on experiences which embed themselves into their long-term memory, the definition of learning!

101 Things to spark your imagination @ Daubeney Primary

Years 3 & 4

35. Recreate a Roman battle	52. Join the school choir
36. Build your own volcano	53. Be a part of our international food evenings celebration
37. Campaign for our school council	54. Take part in odd sock day
38. Cook at the Hackney school of food	55. Help share our anti bullying messages
39. Become a Spanish champion	56. Celebrate Black History Month
40. Give & receive school compliments slips	57. Visit our Winter Fair
41. Take part in mindfulness activities	58. Join the Junior Mental Health Team
42. Build & design your Stone Age city	59. Read to younger children
43. Discover life in the Amazon jungle	60. Develop your dancing skills
44. Play in the mud kitchen and sand Pit	61. Represent the school at a sporting event
45. Create your own newspaper	62. Enjoy gardening lessons
46. Become a times table tutor	63. Learn to use the internet safely
47. Visit religious places of worship	64. Visit Hackney city farm to meet some animals
48. Learn to speak Spanish	65. Take part in healthy living workshops
49. Visit museums	66. Celebrate neurodiversity week
50. Go to the Hackney Empire	67. Become a "Buddy" to a new pupil
51. Perform to whole school and parents	68. Perform at the summer carnival

Looking back – This week at Daubeney, pupils have continued to immerse themselves in exciting learning opportunities as the autumn term gathers momentum. This week we hosted a Nursery Open Evening, which welcomed prospective families into the school community and showcased the warm, nurturing environment that makes Daubeney such a special place to learn and grow. A particular highlight came on Tuesday, when our Portuguese-speaking children proudly took centre stage during the multilingual poetry assembly. Led by Mr Ramos, pupils confidently shared their language skills and cultural knowledge as they explored and celebrated a well-known Portuguese poem by Fernando Pessoa. Their enthusiasm, excellent pronunciation and pride in their heritage were clear for all to see. The assembly beautifully reflected the diversity of our school community and demonstrated the value we place on multilingualism and cultural understanding. Across the school, classrooms have been buzzing with discussion, creativity and collaboration. Children have worked hard to develop their knowledge and skills, showing resilience, curiosity and a positive attitude towards learning. Staff have continued to provide engaging experiences that inspire pupils to think deeply, work together and strive for success. The week has also provided many opportunities for children to demonstrate our school values through kindness, respect and responsible behaviour. As we look ahead, excitement is already building for RE Day, which will offer pupils another opportunity to explore a range of beliefs, cultures and perspectives. It has been another successful and enriching week at Daubeney Primary School, with much to celebrate and many achievements of which our pupils can be proud.

Looking forward: We encourage you to visit our online calendar to see what is on the itinerary for this term and beyond!

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



House Keeping – Secondary School Applications – A gentle reminder to our Y6 families that secondary applications must be completed by **31.10.26** [Before you apply | Hackney Education](#)

Uniform – please ensure that your child(ren) has their name written on their uniform and that they wear their full school uniform.

BBC 500 word competition - [The ultimate guide to 500 Words 2026/27 - BBC Teach](#)

OPAL Family Wild Walks -This weekend our OPAL community partners are hosting a walk which winds from Clapton Sq. along to Homerton Adventure Playground, one of Hackney's finest! An adventure for children to take their grown ups on.

Everyone welcome, including children of all ages.

Free! We just ask walkers to pay it forward and promise to take someone else on a walk!

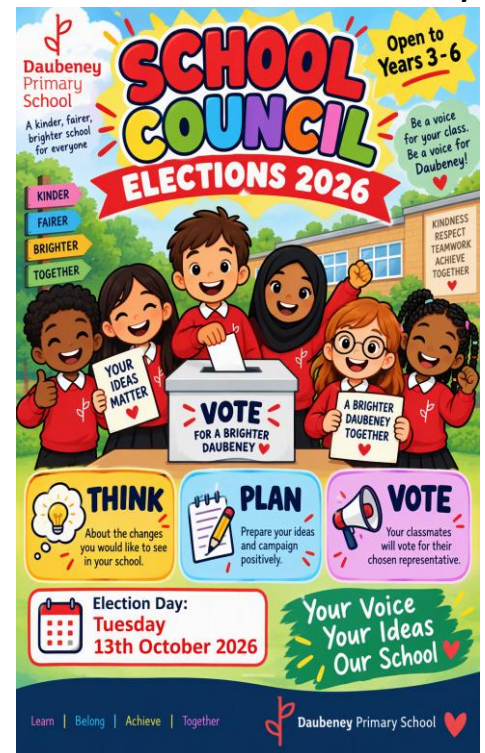
Book here:

<https://outdoorpeople.org.uk/blogs/events/family-wild-walk-clatton-sq-to-homerton>

Staff feature – Najmul Shikdar is a committed and enthusiastic teacher at Daubeney Primary School, where he serves as the Redwing Class Teacher within the Year 4 and 5 phase. Passionate about helping children reach their full potential, Najmul creates engaging learning experiences that inspire curiosity, resilience and a love of learning. He works hard to establish positive relationships with pupils and families, ensuring that every child feels valued, supported and challenged to succeed. As part of Daubeney's highly inclusive and diverse school community, Najmul contributes to a culture where children are encouraged to develop academically, socially and emotionally. Through high expectations, creative teaching and a nurturing approach, he helps pupils build confidence and independence while achieving their personal best. His dedication to education and commitment to the wellbeing of every child make him a valued member of the Daubeney team and the wider Blossom Federation community.



Pupil feature – Excitement is building at Daubeney Primary School as pupils prepare for this year's **School Council Elections** for Years 3 to 6. The School Council plays a vital role in ensuring that pupil voice remains at the heart of school life, providing children with opportunities to share ideas, represent their classmates and contribute to positive change across the school community. This year, each class in Years 3–6 has been invited to nominate four candidates to stand for election. Candidates will campaign for votes from their peers before Election Day on Tuesday 13th October, demonstrating leadership, responsibility and a commitment to improving the school experience for everyone. School Councillors meet regularly to discuss issues that matter to pupils, promote wellbeing initiatives, support charitable fundraising and contribute ideas for school improvement. Through these experiences, children gain valuable skills in communication, teamwork, democracy and active citizenship. The elections are an exciting opportunity for pupils to engage with the democratic process and have their voices heard. We look forward to receiving the names of all candidates and wish every prospective councillor the very best of luck in the forthcoming elections. At Daubeney, we are proud to empower our pupils to become confident leaders who help shape the future of our school community



Farewell/ goodbye:

Thank you to all that have read this week's newsletter, we hope that you found it informative and enlightening.

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