Welcome to our weekly newsletter, the second edition of the autumn 2 half-term. As our established families well know, this will be an action packed and event filled half-term so do visit our calendar to stay abreast of the many events happening this half-term. Continuing with the theme of sharing various aspects of our website, this week we implore you to visit our **News & Letters** tab to see the plethora of information that sits on that page https://daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/news

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Home learning conversations

Golden Expectation of the Week: **Listen respectfully and follow instructions**

Word of the Week: **Inclusive**

Curriculum Feature: At Daubeney Primary School, inclusion is at the heart of learning, ensuring every child feels valued, supported and able to succeed. The curriculum is designed to provide all pupils with access to rich, engaging learning experiences that celebrate the diversity of the school community and promote equality of opportunity. The school recognises that every child learns differently and provides targeted support to meet individual needs. Programmes such as Launchpad for Language help children develop vital communication and language skills, giving them strong foundations for future learning and achievement. Through a broad and balanced curriculum, pupils are encouraged to develop confidence, resilience and a sense of belonging. Lessons promote acceptance, wellbeing and respect, helping children understand and celebrate differences while building positive relationships. By placing inclusion at the centre of its curriculum, Daubeney Primary School ensures that all children have the opportunity to flourish academically, socially and emotionally.

Looking back – It has been another exciting and successful week at Daubeney, with pupils demonstrating determination, leadership and enthusiasm across a wide range of learning opportunities. Our Year 5 Firecrests spent the week taking part in Bikeability training, developing important road safety skills and growing in confidence as cyclists. The programme reflects our ambition for every pupil to leave Daubeney able to ride a bicycle safely and independently. Tuesday brought wonderful news for our languages provision. Our Spanish teacher, Sara Alonso, attended the David Buckland Primary Spanish Award ceremony, where the Blossom schools received the prestigious Gold Award in recognition of their commitment to Spanish language learning and the promotion of Spanish culture. Sporting success continued at the Cross Country League event. Competing against 93 runners, Phoebe and Minnie secured places in the top 20, while Mmesomachukwu achieved an outstanding first-place finish. All members of the team represented the school with determination, resilience and excellent sportsmanship. On Wednesday, pupils observed a respectful two-minute silence and welcomed the Junior Mental Health Team, reinforcing the importance of reflection, wellbeing and emotional health. Thursday saw our Year 5 and 6 football team secure another impressive victory in the Eastway Football League, helping Daubeney continue its climb up the league table. Pupils also enjoyed OPAL Stay and Play, participated in the Debate of the Week and celebrated the introduction of our Eco-Warriors during the Key Stage 2 assembly. The week concluded with Mr Dave sharing the history of the school with Year 1 pupils before we came together for our Golden Achievers Assembly, celebrating effort, progress and excellence across our school community. Well done to everyone for another fantastic week at Daubeney.

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

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House Keeping – This year you can buy your **Christmas tree** through school. Every tree raises money for Daubeney Primary School. The trees are Nordmann Fir, the non-drop kind. We have teamed up with School Elf, who have sold Christmas trees since 2004.Prices start at £45. A 6ft tree costs £80. The same tree costs £124.97 online. Order and pay here: https://www.schoolelf.co.uk/Daubeney

Our **Bike Bus** takes place **every Wednesday** meeting at the main gate at 8:20am.

We will be hosting our Autumn **parent consultations** on **Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th November** from 3:45pm – 6pm.
To secure your appointment access the link below.
https://daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/appointments/event?id=21

For those who did not read our dedicated **After-School Clubs** last half-term please access the link below to read about our plans for the future of After-School Clubs that will be rebranded as 'Stay & Play.'
https://daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/1205

Staff feature – This week we highlight our Deputy Headteacher, SENDCo and Champion of Inclusion here at Daubeney, **Mr Dharma.**
Mr Dharma plays a pivotal role in ensuring that every child is supported to achieve their full potential. In the above capacities, he is a key member of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), helping to shape the school's vision of high achievement, inclusion and excellent pastoral care. Mr Dharma provides strategic leadership across the school while maintaining a particular focus on pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). In his role as SENDCo, Mr Dharma works alongside teachers, support staff and families to identify barriers to learning and ensure that pupils receive the support they need to thrive, academically and socially. His commitment to inclusion helps create an environment where every child feels valued, respected and able to succeed. Mr Dharma also oversees assessment across the school, helping staff monitor progress and deliver high-quality teaching. His dedication, expertise and child-centred approach continue to make a significant contribution to our success here at Daubeney and the wider school community.

Pupil feature – At Daubeney Primary School, inclusion is at the heart of everything we do, and our outstanding **Junior SEND Team** continues to play an important role in creating a school community where every child feels valued, understood and respected. Throughout the year, members of the Junior SEND Team work closely with staff and pupils to raise awareness of neurodiversity and challenge misconceptions that can sometimes surround special educational needs and disabilities. Their work helps our school community better understand that brains work in different ways and that these differences should be celebrated rather than viewed as barriers. The team regularly promotes discussions about conditions such as autism, ADHD, dyslexia and other learning differences. Through assemblies, class discussions, awareness campaigns and pupil-led activities, they encourage children to think about the importance of empathy, kindness and acceptance. Their message is simple but powerful: everyone learns differently, and everyone deserves to belong. Working alongside our Inclusion Team and SEND leadership, the Junior SEND Team helps to ensure that pupil voice remains central to our approach. Their commitment to educating others has helped create a culture where children feel confident to ask questions, celebrate differences and support one another. We are incredibly proud of the dedication, maturity and leadership shown by these pupils. By helping to reduce stigma and champion understanding, our Junior SEND Team is making a lasting difference and ensuring that Daubeney Primary School remains a welcoming, inclusive and inspiring place for all.

The Junior SEND Team this year are:

Phoebe, Juno, Ada A, Sarah, Thea N, Lily and Kimora.

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