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Dear Parents & Carers,

We now find ourselves at the conclusion of week 3 of Spring I, and another busy and exciting week here at Daubeney.

Without further ado let me usher you in the direction of our online calendar so that you can look ahead and plan accordingly. A major event to note is our upcoming parent consultations happening next half-term on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th March. Our booking system will go live from Friday 2nd February via our website and will close on the morning of Tuesday 5th March at 9:00 am. https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about-us/calendar

This week our word, expectation and breathing technique of the week are:

Expectation of the Week - Stay safe and look after people and property

Word of the Week - Perseverance

Breathing technique of the Week - Hand breath

Please discuss the above with your child(ren) and ask what these words and phrases mean to them.

On Monday, as part of our continual school improvement journey, the leadership and management team (including our Chair of Governors Will Emms) met with Hackney Education's Jason Marantz (Assistant Director) and Laleh Laverick (Interim Principal Learning & Management Advisor – Primary) to review the academic progress of all year groups with a particular focus on our ambition targets for our upcoming Y6 SATs. This was followed by our second School Improvement Partner (SIP2) visit of the year, led by Laleh Laverick, on Thursday. I'm happy to say that both were positive experiences. A part of our 'road to outstanding' journey we welcome the challenge and support of the local authority as it quality assures our internal self-assessment, and ensures we do not rest on our laurels after a positive Ofsted inspection last year.

On Wednesday there was a Finance and Staffing (F&S) governors meeting attended by leadership and management (Mr Warren and I) which was chaired by our very own Sam Ingleby. Here is another example of us working with our parents as partners with a focus on providing the best outcomes for all of children. Next week we will be having our **Daubeney Local School Committee** meeting on Wednesday 31st January, chaired by **Annwen Johnson BEM.** To find out more about governors and what they do, or to read the minutes of these meetings please access the link below at your convenience https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/about- us/governors

Continuing with our parents as partners theme, thank you to all the parents who attended our Stay & Play session on Wednesday. As a reminder we are raising funds to develop our playground and hop garden and welcome all donations! Here's the link However, if cash is short and you're willing to give some of your time to support us





then perhaps you may want to attend one of our upcoming community events happening on 10th, 11th, 24th & 25th February – see link for more info. https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/821#sitelive-viewer/

Whilst we have you in that giving mood ② Our very own **Ms Meehan will be running a half-marathon** for charity! Let's do whatever we can to support Ms Meehan and her exciting endeavour. Kindly see link below: https://llhm.tommys.org/fundraising/lacinta-Anne-Meehan

If you'd like to give of your time rather than money and you work in the STEM industries (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), for **Science Week** (7th – 18th March) we are seeking parents from within our Daubeney village who would be willing to come into school (for an hour or so) to share their experiences and inspire our children. If this appeals to you please let us know via email admin@daubeney.hackney.sch.uk

Linked to STEM, next Friday (2.2.24) we will be holding a **non-uniform day, 'Dress up for Digits'.** For more info access the link or speak with your child(ren). https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/822#sitelive-viewer/

As we bring the letter to a close I'd like to usher you towards **Mr Warren's update letter** for more news about Daubeney and all things Blossom https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/viewer/828#sitelive-viewer/

At the same time, I'll also usher you towards our **news and letters tab** which is a very useful source of information should you be unsure of events at school in addition to visiting our online calendar. https://www.daubeney.hackney.sch.uk/news

For those thinking of something to do this weekend, there will be **Hackney Lunar New Year 2024 celebrations** held locally this weekend. Hackney's East Asian communities and culture are being celebrated in a special event at Hackney Bridge on **Saturday 27 January** to mark **Lunar New Year 2024** from Ipm-4pm, Hackney Bridge, Units I-28 Echo Lane Building, E Bay Lane, EI5 2SJ. Map.

The event, led by Hackney-based East Asian carnival arts organisation Jun Mo Generations, and hosted by Hackney Bridge, commemorates the Year of the Dragon which begins on 10 February. The celebration will feature traditional dances and performances from Asian culture, including Lion and Dragon dances, an Umbrella dance, a Bell dance, flag rotations, plus live music, martial arts displays and a craft-making workshop for all ages. Full details can be found here. Please RSVP to lucy.mcmenemy@hackney.gov.uk if you'd like to attend. (Please also mention if you would like to bring a +1.)

Finally, one of our community partners will be holding a sale this weekend, if you like bagging yourself a bargain please see flier below.

Enjoy a great weekend, especially if you venture off to enjoy a Lunar New Year celebration.

Yours sincerely,

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