



School Newsletter

HACKNEY HALF TERM CYCLING COURSES Hackney



“ Really fantastic training; I wish I'd signed the kids up to this sooner! ”
Hackney parent

Free courses for children of all abilities and ages (from 5+) are running throughout October half term.

Complete beginner courses, intermediate off-road courses and on-road courses are available and booking up fast! Training is in small groups with two fully qualified instructors.

All courses take place on Hackney Downs (where limited bikes are available to borrow).

BOOK NOW
Places are limited so for more info or to book, visit www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/lb-of-hackney or call 020 303 16730

CYCLE CONFIDENT

FREE Hackney Cycling course for children

Preschool & Nursery Stay and Play

Many thanks to all of the parents and carers who were able to attend the Preschool and Nursery stay and play event today.



The Big Spotaclar - Fundraising Event

BBC Children in Need is back! This year Children in Need have teamed up with Blue Peter. On Thursday 15th November we will be supporting BBC Children in Need Charity by dressing in our spottiest outfits and making a minimum donation of £1. Donations to Children in Need go towards helping children across the country to have places where they can be physically safe and well, emotionally well, develop essential skills, where they can feel positively empowered and develop a strong self belief. Please send your child to school with a donation and in their spottiest outfit on Thursday 15th November.

Christmas - I know, I'm sorry but I just had to say it!

It is that time of year again when here at school we have to start thinking about Christmas activities. There will obviously be the usual Christmas Nativity and show however we would also like to build on the success of the MacMillan coffee morning and come up with a few other ideas. As such we would like your thoughts. Click [here](#) to fill in a brief form to have your say and offer to help if you have the time.



Finally... Now that you have got that Christmassy feeling can we also take this opportunity to remind you that any money owed to the school is debt that we have to carry. Please pop in a.s.a.p. to clear your accounts. Also following the half term break we will begin the move over to a cashless payment system for school dinners so look out for a letter coming home with your child.

Theme of week eight: **Difference**

dates
to Remember

22.10.18 - 26.10.18

Half Term Holidays - School closed to all children

29.10.18

INSET Day - School Closed to all children

31.10.18

15:40 - 16:25

Year 1 Phonics Workshop

01.11.18

Year 5 to bring recyclables to school to make buildings - empty bottles and boxes

02.11.18 from 6pm to 9:30pm

KS2 Passion Project - Romeo and Juliet Performance

13.11.18 on 4pm

Deadline for informing the office of sibling photographs

15.11.18

The Big Spotaclar - Children In Need

16.11.18

School Photographs

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

1st: Reception T with 98.8%

2nd: Year 6 with 98.4%

3rd: Year 1T with 98.2%

PRESCHOOL UNDER 2'S

We have been using Duplo to learn colour names and build towers.



PRESCHOOL

We've been making sandwiches. We further developed our fine motor skills placing and spreading the fillings of our choice. We had some interesting combinations!



NURSERY

We made our own obstacle course, we went over and under carefully while being mindful of our space and friends.



RECEPTION H

We have been learning to work together. Here we are creating a night sky by sharing the paints and taking turns painting our artwork.



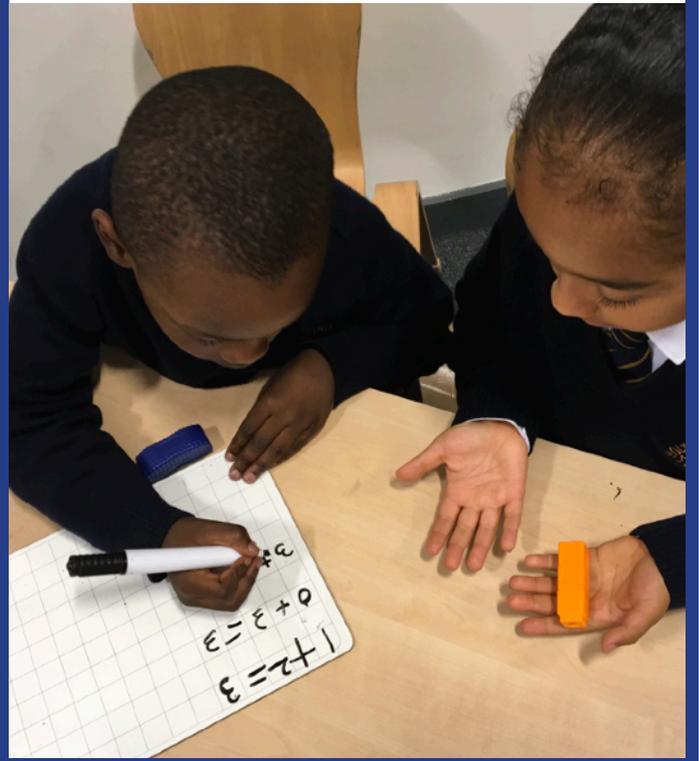
RECEPTION T

We have been very busy making our Autumn Display. We have used leaves to make bigger leaves. Also we used the leaves to make some animals. 🦉



YEAR 1 H

We are working collaboratively to try and calculate all the ways of making amounts under 10. We've been using our fingers and unifix blocks to check our calculations before writing down the equation.



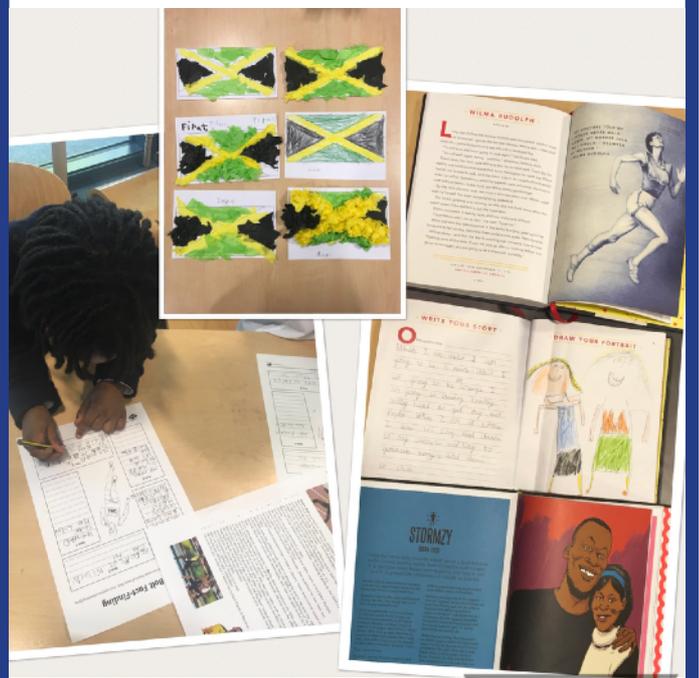
YEAR 1 T

We have had a workshop with a local poet and learnt about the ancient Egyptian Imhotep, together we wrote a poem about him.



YEAR 2

We have been discussing and celebrating successes and the concept of never giving up. We created our own stories sharing our hopes and dreams. We researched information about Jamaican food, sport, music, buildings, transport, language and famous people.



YEAR 3

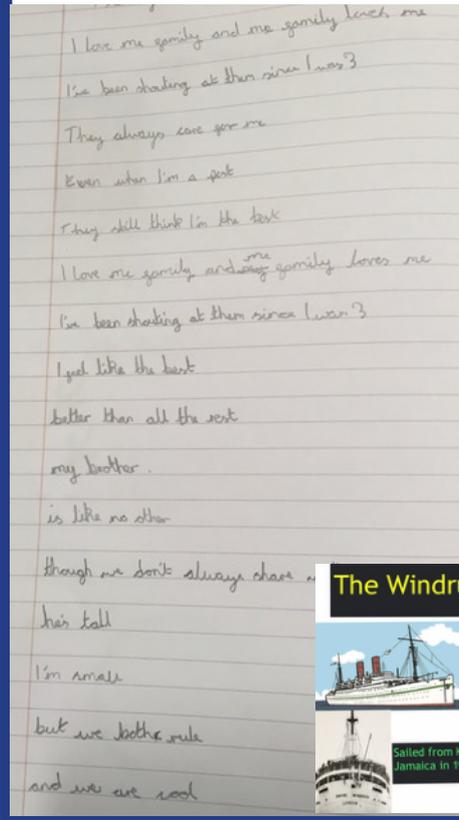
As part of Black History week we have been analysing the poem "Checking out me History" by John Agard. We thought about the use of non-standard English as a poetic device and considered why the way that we speak, is a big part of our identity.



YEAR 4

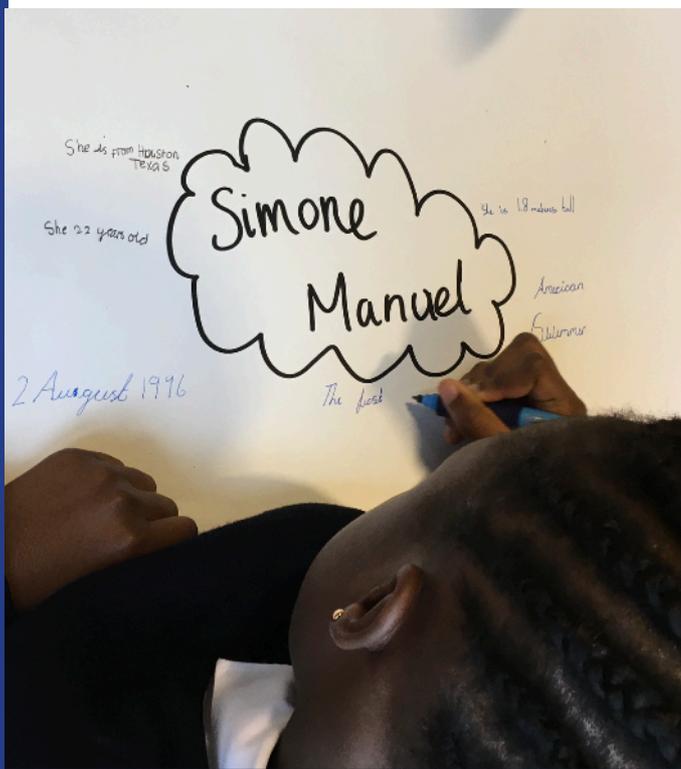
For black history week we have been learning about the Windrush generation and the community of Jamaican immigrants who settled and forever

changed our country. We learnt about the famous son of Jamaican immigrants, Benjamin Zephaniah. We have been using his poem 'I Love Me Mudder' as an example to write our own poems.



YEAR 5

We have been learning about Bold Women in Black History. We investigated Black Women Firsts, and found that Simone Manuel was the first black woman to win a gold medal in individual swimming.



YEAR 6

With Adisa the poet, we have been learning to write a 5 line 'cinquain' with the syllables 2,4,6,8,2 on each line. The underground rock church Lalibela inspired us.

