



### Dates for the Diary

#### Spring Term

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June** – School Nurse Advice Session  
8:30-9:10am

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Nursery Number Day

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Reception early closure at 12:30 – collect via Rockwell Road entrance only

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 1 to 6 Sports Day (weather permitting)

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 3 Greenwich Trip

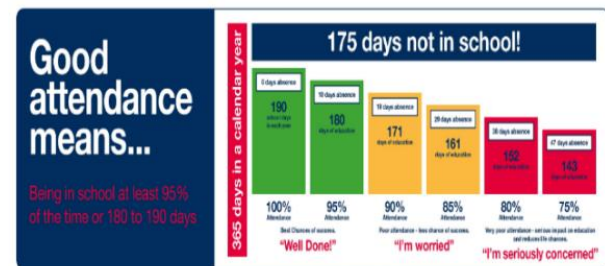
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of school for Nursery & Reception classes only

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Last day of school

School finishes for:	Yr6 12:00	Yr1-Yr5 1:15pm
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Drawn by Kayah (3ST)



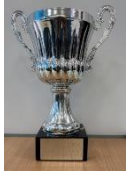
**Congratulations to the classes with 96%+ attendance.**

Dear Parent/Carer,

If any of you have ever watched Sesame Street then you might appreciate that this week's letter sound is "f" and "ph" (!)

### FOOTBALL

Our fantastic team led by Coach Bellevue played a sterling match winning 7-0 and securing the Finesse Cup. Mr Bellevue informs me that it has been 20 years since Hunters Hall obtained a title match.



### PHONICS

The children in year 1 and a small group from Year 2 had the opportunity to show their phonics skills this week as they took part in the national Phonics Screening Check. I am immensely proud of the children and my talented teaching team.

### FOOD

Whilst being on duty in the dining hall, I noticed that some children are bringing items of food that contain nuts in their packed lunch boxes. We are a nut-free school.

### PHONES

One of the things that spills into school is when children use their mobile phones at home inappropriately. I am pleading with families to teach and monitor their children's use of technology.

### Is my child ready for a phone?

Before giving your child a phone, consider their emotional and social maturity.

It's helpful to ask yourself whether they can follow rules and boundaries – and if they understand what's safe and unsafe online.

Consider, too, whether they are able to talk to you if something worries them, and if they show responsibility in other areas of their life.



You might find this decision tool useful:

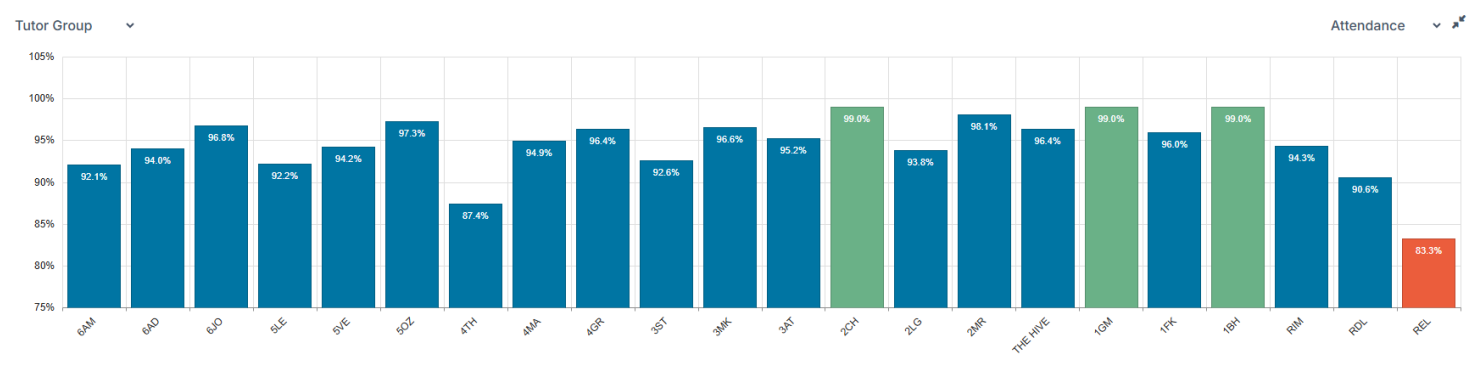
<https://www.vodafone.co.uk/family/childs-first-phone>

### FICTION






One of our school governors has become a published author – you might want to take a look at "The Moonlight Picnic" a tale of friendship, kindness and dreams.

Michael Kaitell, Headteacher

### Attendance Matters



**Team Points****Uniform Shop Date****TEAM POINTS**

	<b>Tigers</b>	<b>480</b>
	<b>Bears</b>	<b>366</b>
	<b>Wolves</b>	<b>659</b>
	<b>Sharks</b>	<b>452</b>
	<b>Komodo Dragon</b>	<b>579</b>

School uniform can be purchased from 3:00-4:00pm  
in the dining hall on the following dates:



**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

Summer Pop-Up Shop  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August  
11:00-1:00pm in the Dining Hall

**Gold Award Debit Card Recipients**

Each week we publish any recipients of the new Gold Award Debit Card.

**Gold Award Recipients**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Aiza Usman</b>	<b>1FK</b>
<b>Muhammad Abdulsalam</b>	<b>1FK</b>
<b>Abdia Naiha</b>	<b>1FK</b>
<b>Aaria Choudhury</b>	<b>1GM</b>
<b>Eisa Fraz</b>	<b>1GM</b>
<b>Isra Begum</b>	<b>1GM</b>
<b>Skye Gosby</b>	<b>6AM</b>
<b>Muhammad Alyann</b>	<b>6AM</b>

**Parent/Carer Handbook**

Scan the QR code or visit <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/BeyF4UIXJ7IWwlv?ref=Link>



## School Uniform

School uniform can be purchased from 3:00-4:00pm in the dining hall. The dates vary throughout the year.

In a hope to reduce the cost of school uniform, from September, you will have the option to purchase iron-on badges for plain white polo shirts and plain red jumpers. Badges will cost £1.20 and should make uniform more affordable.

Uniform can also be purchased online: [www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/](http://www.schooluniformdirect.org.uk/schools/product-category/schools-and-clubs/hunters-hall-primary/)

Or Telephone: 01992 763679 / Email: [info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk](mailto:info@schooluniformdirect.org.uk)



## Parent Hub

We would like all parents/carers to join us on Parent Hub.

Parent Hub is a FREE app that helps keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.



1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Add a School" and enter:

**@HuntersHallPS**

## How to translate messages in the Parent Hub app (guidance for schools)

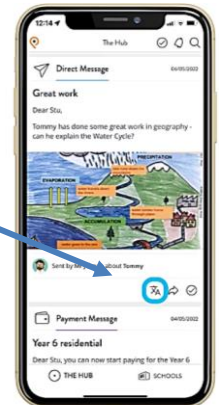
In the app, parents just tap the 'translate' button in the bottom right of a message.

This applies to old messages, as well as new ones.

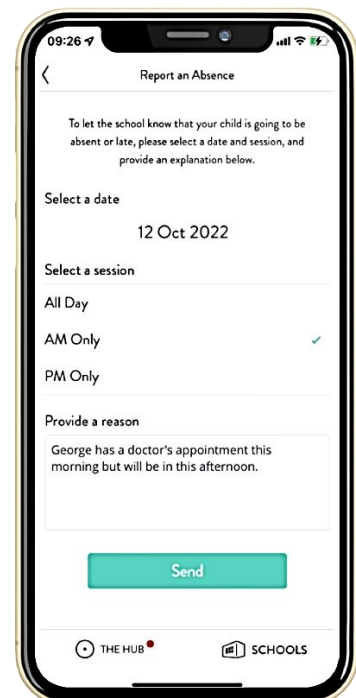
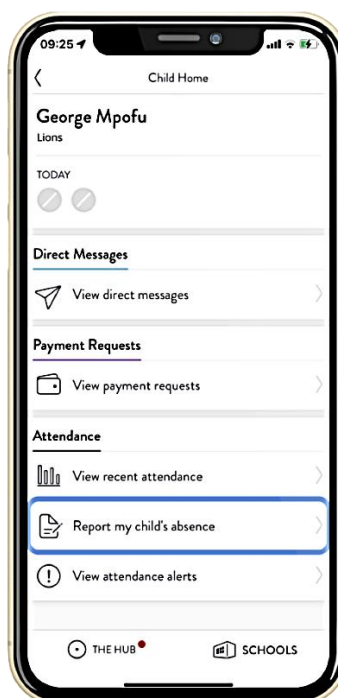
link below for a useful guide.

<https://support.parenthub.co.uk/hc/en-us/articles/6172951020689-How-to-translate-messages-in-the-Parent-Hub-app>

To find out more, click the



## Reporting absence



## Uniform Reminder & PE Days 2025-2026

During the course of this academic year, we are phasing out some of our school uniform in an effort to make it more affordable for our parent body.

Our school uniform provider now sells school badges for £1.20 so that you are able to purchase plain white polo shirts/ plain red jumpers/cardigans and iron on the badge. (Our current provider will continue to sell their stock of red and grey uniform items and staff has been informed that it is a gradual phase out)

We have reduced the number of days that children require their school uniform by allowing them to wear their PE kit on two days of the week. (You will be notified if there is a special day such as school photographs so that you can ensure that children are dressed appropriately.)

### School Uniform (only 2 branded clothing items necessary & 1 branded book bag)

White Polo Shirt (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Red jumper/ Cardigan (with logo/ iron-on badge)

Grey school trousers/ skirt/ shorts

Summer Dress

Plain black shoes/ trainers



### PE Kit

Plain white t-shirt

Red shorts

Red/ Grey jogging bottoms

Red fleece

Black plimsolls



More and more children are wearing the incorrect P.E. kit. Proper clothing and footwear are essential in all P.E. lessons for reasons of health and safety and comfort.

◀ The permitted kit is advertised here.

### PE Days 2025-2026

Year Group	PE Day 1	PE Day 2
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>

Swimming is part of the national curriculum. Children in Year 4 & non-swimmers from Year 6 are offered swimming lessons. From time to time, other selected pupils are given this opportunity.

Children must wear suitable and appropriate swimwear and a swimming hat. They must also have a towel, dressing gown and waterproof footwear.

This year, we will operate a mobile swimming pool on the school site.

**G**entle memories of your warmth remain with us today.

**W**hispers of your loving voice will never fade away.

**E**very moment shared with you is treasured deep inside.

**N**ow you rest in peaceful sleep, your legacy's our guide.



## Year 1 Homework Project

Teachers in Year 1 were blown away by the homework projects the children brought in. We are exploring what makes Dagenham great, and the children were asked to visit a local park over half term, then either draw, make or write about it. Well done to everyone involved!





A reminder...



LOOK  
HOW  
FAR  
YOU'VE  
COME

BE THE REASON  
SOMEONE FEELS  
WELCOMED, SEEN,  
HEARD, VALUED,  
LOVED & SUPPORTED!

I CAN BE ANYTHING

IF I CAN JUST

BELIEVE IN ME

IN A  
WORLD  
+ WHERE,  
YOU CAN BE  
ANYTHING  
"BEHIND"

IT'S COOL  
★ TO BE  
KIND

Football Medal



Mohammed (5LE)

LONDON BOROUGH OF BARKING AND DAGENHAM SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2026 / 27

Thursday 3 September 2026 = First Day of Autumn Term  
 Tuesday 20 July 2027 = Last Day of Summer Term

SEPTEMBER 2026

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JULY 2027

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AUGUST 2027

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Autumn term: Thursday 3 September 2026 – Friday 18 December 2026 = 72 school days  
 Spring term: Tuesday 5 January 2027 – Friday 25 March 2027 = 53 school days  
 Summer term: Monday 12 April 2027 – Tuesday 20 July 2027 = 66 school days

- Bank holidays
- School holidays
- INSET (No pupils)

This information can also be found on the school website at the following link:  
[Term Dates - Hunters Hall Primary School](#)

Author of the Week

SOPHIE KIRTLEY



Winner of the 2016 Mother's Milk Writing Prize for poetry and shortlisted for Joan Aiken's Future Classics Prize.

Before becoming a published author, Sophie worked in a theatre, a bookshop, a tiny pub and was a Secondary English teacher. She began storytelling through poetry and her Mary Anning poem was chosen for National Poetry Day one year.

Her two children's novels are famous for their timeslip adventure storylines: The Stone Age meets modern day! Each book contains a hurdle to overcome, new friendships to be made and an adventure to be had.

Sophie Kirtley says:

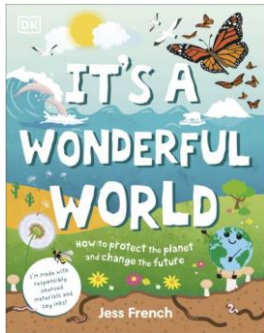


If you like Nizrana Farook or Tamzin Merchant, you'll love these books!

*Reading can take you EVERYWHERE - to far off lands, on magical adventures and even back in time! So read, read, READ!*

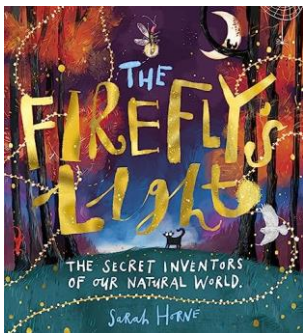
**Reading for Pleasure Matters at Hunters Hall**

Welcome back to our summer term! As part of our commitment to our school values (Collaboration, Motivation, Preparation, Resilience, Creativity & Curiosity), children continue to experience a broad and balanced curriculum based on our carefully considered topics. In every year group, pupils can be historians, geographers, artists, philosophers, empathisers and critical thinkers. Each week we will showcase a different year group, suggesting books that will support and extend current learning. This week we are focusing on Year 3!



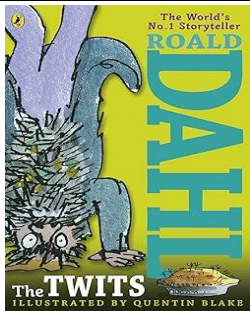
**Geography**

Our topic for this term is “Our wonderful world”. In light of this, a text that might help the children to learn about our world and how we can protect it is “It’s a wonderful world” by Jess French. Navigate through this conservation book to discover all the wonderful ways to protect and preserve the biodiversity of the natural world, whilst learning about the main challenges our planet faces today.



**Science**

Our science topic in the summer term is Light. Ever wonder how fireflies light up the sky? And why those sticky plant seeds are so hard to get off your clothes? The Firefly's Light is a mind-boggling non-fiction book about biomimicry – how humans have been inspired by observing the amazing innovations of the natural world.



**Storytime**

In literacy last term, we enjoyed ‘Fantastic Mr Fox’ by Roald Dahl. Why not read ‘The Twits’? Mr and Mrs Twit are extremely nasty, so the Muggle-Wump monkeys and the Roly-Poly bird hatch an ingenious plan to give them just the ghastly surprise they deserve!



Please place a copy of this advert in your window (house/ car/ office...)



# Hunters Hall Primary School



At Hunters Hall, our ethos incorporates British Values; promotes high self-esteem; enjoyment; empowerment; high expectation of achievement; respect, and equality for all. We do this within a nurturing, vibrant and safe environment. Our intention is to value each day by making it engaging, challenging, productive, and equipping every pupil with the essential knowledge, transferable skills, compassion, and resilience to have success in the future.

Our school song: "Believe" highlights the characteristics and attitudes which we, as a school, feel are essential to achieving greatness.

Remember: I can be anything I want, if I can just believe in me.

**Call us to arrange a visit 0208 2704768**

School Website



<https://www.huntershallprimary.org.uk/>

Apply via LBBd admissions



<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions#12fdabab3>

Social Media: X



<https://twitter.com/Huntershallps>



Parent/Carer Handbook



<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/BeyFAUIXJ7Ww/iliv?ref=Link>

- Happy**
- Understand**
- Nurtured**
- Thrive**
- Emotionally- intelligent**
- Resilient**
- Self-Aware**

Hunters Hall Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and pupils to follow this policy.

## Thames Chase Workshop



### Thames Chase Robot Bug Hotel Making Workshop 14th June 2026 10.30am-12pm

Ahead of Fathers Day, bring along your Dad, Step Dad, Grandad, or other special adult to work with you to create and decorate a bug and bee hotel in the shape of a Robot. A sustainable themed event using reused materials including wood, metal and much more to make a unique robot to take home and offer nesting and hibernation places for invertebrates, especially solitary bees and other important insects.

Suitable for all ages - children and adults.

Suggested age 6+ ticket is per Robot kit. One adult per child taking part.

Cost £12 per robot please book via Ticket Tailor:  
[tickettailor.com/events/thameschase](https://www.tickettailor.com/events/thameschase)  
 This event is suitable for children aged 5 years and over



For more information call 01708 642970 or visit the Thames Chase Forest Centre, Pike Lane, Uppminster RM14 3NS.  
 Email: [enquiries@thameschase.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@thameschase.org.uk)  
 Website: [www.thameschase.org.uk](http://www.thameschase.org.uk)  
 Thames Chase: Charity no. 1115927 Company no. 5687558.

## Community Event



## FREE Clothes, Coffee and Community

Come along for **free** food, coffee, and a chance to connect with your community.



### Every second Saturday of the month

The next 3 dates:  
 13<sup>th</sup> June, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 8<sup>th</sup> Aug

10:00 am - 2:00pm

Grace to Grace  
 International Centre  
 Wantz road

### Event highlights:

- Free hot drinks and refreshments
- Free clothing for adults and children
- Welcoming environment for everyone

@ggicgraceland 07957 154375 GGICgraceland

Directions: From Dagenham Heathway Station, take the **173, 174** or **175** bus to Oxlow Lane/Wantz Road, then it's a short walk to Grace to Grace International Centre.

## Harmony House Summer Fete

# HARMONY HOUSE SUMMER FETE

THE WHOLE COMMUNITY IS  
WELCOME!

**SATURDAY,  
JULY 4TH**

at Harmony House  
 Dagenham, RM9 6XN  
 From 10:30am - 3:00pm

**FREE TO ATTEND!**

PARKING IS LIMITED - FIRST  
 COME FIRST SERVE  
 PLEASE BRING CASH!

**FOR MORE  
 INFO:**



Scan me!



### ACTIVITIES:

- Bouncy Castle
- Face painting
- Glitter tattoo
- Food stalls
- Craft stalls
- Name the Teddy
- Tin can alley
- Hook a duck
- Ring toss
- Raffles
- Games
- Nursery Open House
- And much more!



## Summer Holiday Camps



www.daggerstrust.com  
0208 592 1549 ext 5

### SUMMER HOLIDAYS CAMPS

4 WEEKS IN JULY & AUGUST  
BOYS & GIRLS AGES 5-15

£50 PER WEEK, 6 HOURS PER DAY

**ONLY £150 FOR 4 WEEKS  
IF BOOKED NOW**

**CLICK ON QR CODE  
TO REGISTER AND PAY**

**Dagenham & Redbridge FC Community Trust**  
Coaches are all FA qualified & DBS checked



## School Nurse Advice Sessions



### SCHOOL NURSE ADVICE SESSIONS



Sessions are being run on the following dates between 8:30am-9:10am:

- ~~Monday 12th January 2026~~
- ~~Monday 9th February 2026~~ **Cancelled**
- ~~Monday 9th March 2026~~
- ~~Monday 13th April 2026~~
- ~~Monday 18th May 2026~~
- Monday 15th June 2026

They can offer advice on the following topics:

- Keeping Healthy
- Advice about immunisations
- Emotional Health and Wellbeing
- Weight Management
- Drugs and Alcohol
- Smoking

If you would like to see the School Nurse,  
please book a time slot at the school office:

They provide a confidential service. This means you can discuss personal information in confidence. They will not discuss your personal information with anyone else without your permission. They would only pass on information to protect you or someone else from serious harm. Qualified: School Nurses or Specialist Community Public Health Nurses are qualified nurses or midwives with specific graduate level education and they work with a team to support you. Non-Judgemental: They are here to help, not to judge.

## Keep Us Updated

### IF YOU CHANGE ANY OF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS



# PLEASE LET US KNOW

## Pharmacy First



Providing NHS services

Most pharmacies can help you  
with **seven common conditions**  
without needing a GP appointment

- **Sinusitis**  
(adults and children aged 12 years and over)
- **Sore throat**  
(adults and children aged 5 years and over)
- **Earache**  
(children and young adults aged 1 year to 17 years)
- **Infected insect bite**  
(adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- **Impetigo**  
(adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- **Shingles**  
(adults aged 18 years and over)
- **Urinary tract infection**  
(women, aged 16 to 64 years)



Ask your pharmacy for more  
information about this  
free\* NHS service

## Visit your Pharmacy First!

\*NHS prescription charge rules apply where a medicine is supplied

# BREAKFAST CLUB



Our breakfast club is open term time only Monday to Friday, 7:45 to 8:30am.

No booking is required, you can turn up on the day and pay.

The charge is **£3** per day, you are required to accompany your child into our breakfast club and stay with them until they have been marked in on our daily register.

You are required to have the correct money for payment.

Please note that payments in advance are non-refundable and non-transferable therefore if you choose to pay in advance and your child does not attend you lose that money.



# WANTED

## PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

### DONATIONS NEEDED

A big thank you to everyone who has previously donated. We always need more good quality pre-loved uniform items. Has your child grown out of theirs? Please donate to the school and come along to one of our sales for bargain replacements!

Winter coats and shoes also welcome.

Please bring any donations in a bag to the school office.



*Thank you*



### DHP Scheme

**Are you struggling to afford your rent payments?**



**Do you have rent arrears?**

**Do you need help with a deposit?**

Help is available through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) scheme

Visit <https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionary-hardship-support/discretionary-housing-payments-dhp>

To find out more and apply online

You must be in receipt of Housing Benefit or Universal Credit housing costs to qualify for a DHP



**Barking & Dagenham**

### Household Support Fund

**Are you struggling with the rising cost of living?**



**Do you have utility debts?**

Help is available to support the rising cost of living for energy & utility costs, food and other emergency need through the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham's Hardship schemes

Visit <https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/discretionary-hardship-support/hardship-payment-schemes/household-support-fund>

to find out more and apply online



**Barking & Dagenham**



# MINI ROCKERS

**FOR RECEPTION TO YEAR 2**

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. No experience or instrument required.



# ROCK HEROES

**FOR YEARS 3 AND 4**

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 3 and 4. No experience or instrument required.



# ROCK ICONS

**FOR YEARS 5 AND 6**

Fun and inclusive in-school rock and pop band lessons, for Years 5 and 6. No experience or instrument required.

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/info-for-parents>

- ✓ **Learn to play in a band**  
Learning an instrument should be fun. Your child can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals and enjoy playing in a happy, supportive environment with their friends.
- ✓ **Lead by real musicians**  
Your child's music teacher should also be their role model. Which is why all Rocksteady Band Leaders are carefully chosen, extensively trained musicians who know how to inspire a life-long love of playing music.
- ✓ **In school time**  
Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place in school time with all instruments provided, making it hassle-free for parents.
- ✓ **From first notes to favourite songs**  
The Rocksteady Programme is for all children aged 4-11 and is proven to progress musicianship, confidence and teamwork skills with no prior experience necessary.
- ✓ **With regular live performances**  
Playing on stage is a huge confidence booster. With termly concerts at school assemblies, your child will be able to show off their progress to friends, teachers and parents with the rest of their band.
- ✓ **And happily affordable**  
Rocksteady is one of the most hassle-free ways to learn an instrument on a rolling subscription that you can cancel at any time. It's risk free too – cancel in the first month and you'll get a full refund.

Call 0330 113 0330