



As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome back to the summer term! I hope you have had a wonderful and relaxing holiday. The summer term is notoriously busy so please keep a watchful eye on the texts sent to you and the calendar dates given so you and your child can fully participate in the school events. Please note that there will be no enrichments after school until EID (Cazenove site).



We will be starting the final term with a pre-Ramadan challenge for all children across the school, from Reception to Year 6.

This is an exciting challenge for your child to complete over the course of the next two weeks. The children are encouraged to learn, practise and develop their understanding of Ramadan in preparation of this Holy

month. Please check your child's book bags for their personal challenge cards—we look forward to celebrating your child's achievements during this event!



#### Parents' Evening

We will be holding our parents' evening on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April. The meetings will be held on both sites on these dates. If you have children who are at both Cazenove and the UTC, please either leave enough time to travel between appointments or choose different days to meet the teachers.



#### Principal's Surgery

If you would like to meet me to discuss any of your concerns or worries or just want to pop in and say hello, Principal surgeries will be on the last Friday of every month. They will take place at the Cazenove Road site between 12-1pm. No appointment is necessary, just inform a member of the office staff that you are here for the surgery.

The dates for the surgeries are: 26th April, 31st May, 28th June, 12th July.



#### No enrichments until EID

**23rd April** Attendance Workshop UTC  
1.30pm

**25th** Year 2 SATs workshop UTC  
9.15am

**26th** Curriculum Newsletters go out

**26th** Principal's Surgery

**29th** Olive's Got Talent UTC 9am

**29th** Parents' Evening both sites

**30th** Olive's Got Talent Cazenove 9am

**30th** Reception London Zoo Trip

**30th** Parents' Evening both sites

**1st May** Spirituality Day

**1st** Y4 Girl's Festival of Football  
Mabley Green

**2nd** Spirituality Day

**2nd** Y4 Girl's Festival of Football  
Mabley Green

**6th May** Day Bank Holiday

**7th** Parent Shura Cazenove 9am

**9th** Year 1 3 Faiths Forum Day

**9th** Football Fixtures KS2

**10th** Hackney Downs Track event Year  
4/5

**13th** Year 6 SATs Week

**15th** Year 5/6 Orienteering at Springfield  
Park

**22nd** Y6 boy's Cricket Tournament

**23rd** Dental Out Reach Rec/Year 1

**24th** Last day at school

# SPORTS NEWS

March saw another busy month in all things sport. Year 3s continued with their cricket coaching, delivered by Middlesex County cricket coaches. The local cricket club also visited, handing out kit to those showing the most promise! David Owen, who runs Stoke Newington Cricket club hopes to see some of the budding cricketers join the club after Easter!

Year 4 girls and Year 5 boys had their first football tournament in March, they both performed valiantly and battled to earn a few hard earned draws. They also suffered a few defeats, but having never competed before, they can hold their heads up high and look forward to many tournaments to come!

We had our second Biker's Breakfast, with over twenty children riding in. They got to enjoy a scrumptious healthy breakfast, while having their bikes checked over by a professional mechanic. We look forward to another breakfast in summer!



The Year 4 boys had their first football tournament on the last week of term, which they really enjoyed! Neil from Hackney Cycle Club, visited the school and ran a Roller Racing workshop with the children at the Cazenove site, racing one another on stationary bikes!



The children across the school had an inspirational workshop with Extreme BMX, who helped the children to understand that with resilience and determination, they can achieve their dreams. The workshops was truly awe inspiring!

With summer on the horizon, there is already a ton of activities cemented onto the calendar. There is the annual Hackney Athletics tournament, Personal Best finals, Olive's Sports Day and of course Bike Around the Borough to name a few! We can't wait!

## London Maths Challenge

Four of our wonderful Year 5 children took part in the London Maths Challenge. Well done to for coming 6th out of 64 schools, what an amazing result!







### Olive's Got Talent

We are finally there! Our finalists have been chosen for the 29th and 30th April!



The children will be told if they are through to the final this week.

You will be invited to attend if your child is taking part in the final.

### Spirituality Day

We will be holding our Spirituality Days on the 1st and 2nd May on both sites. Our theme for this is the Ottoman Empire. The children will have an exciting variety of activities and events to take part in!



### Attendance Workshop

There will be an attendance workshop on Tuesday 23rd April, specifically for parents with children in Years 1 and 2.



The workshop will take place at the UTC site at 1.30pm and will be hosted by our attendance officer, Ms Kauser Butt, Mr Mannan and Mrs Fadairo.

### Website and Twitter

Keep up to date with events at the Olive school Hackney:

[olivehackney.com](http://olivehackney.com)

[twitter.com/olive\\_hackney](https://twitter.com/olive_hackney)



## Welcome to the Parent council

### Parent Shura/council

We will be having a parent shura for all parents to attend on Tuesday 7th May. For the past eighteen months we have had parent council representatives from each year group attend these meetings but now are opening up the meetings for all parents to attend. These meetings will be held to discuss a variety of events and how parents can support the school and their children. We are lucky to have wonderful parent support in the school so we're looking forward to seeing you all there!

The meeting will be held at 9am in the school hall on Cazenove Road and will last for approximately one hour.

### Uniform

At Olive Hackney, we take pride in our school uniform, please remember to send your child to school with the correct clothes. Trainers are only allowed for Years 4, 5 and 6 on PE days only, children in Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 should wear their black school shoes every day.

If your daughter chooses to wear a scarf, please ensure that this is a plain black, pull on scarf, not a wrap around one or a scarf of varying colours.

### Interventions and support

Each term, your child's class teacher looks at the children in their class to see who needs additional support at school. This could be for a range of areas: reading, writing, maths, phonics, emotional or behavioural, to name a few. Your child may be put into a small group for support in one of these areas, which may include children from different classes. This support is provided on a termly basis and reviewed each term after that. If you are concerned about the amount of support given to your child at school, please talk to your child's class teacher during the coming parents' evenings.

### Money Raised for New Zealand Charity Appeal

Once again our parents and community have been extremely generous in raising money for a worthy cause. Across Star Academies, £25 000 was raised, which will enable us to build a mosque and install 70 water hand pumps in memory of those who lost their lives in the shooting. At Olive Hackney, we raised £1,564. £702 will be used to help build the mosque and £862 will go towards installing water pumps. On behalf of Star Academies, I would like to thank you for your kindness and generosity with raising this money, mashallah.



### Goodbye...for now!

This term we're saying goodbye to Mrs Solkar, who has been teaching the children in Reception and Key Stage 1, as she is beginning her maternity leave. We wish her all the very best for her family and her new baby and thank her for all of her hard work and dedication to the school. We look forward to Mrs Solkar returning to the school next April!

