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Dear Parent or Carer,

Home test kits

Please note that you are able to collect lateral flow tests to use at home, even if you do not have symptoms, from the following local testing sites:

- Dalston, Bentley Road Car Park, N1 4BZ
- Hackney Central, Mare Street, E9 6ND
- Stamford Hill, Former Bus Garage, Rookwood Rd, London N16 6SD

Also you can [order a home test kit](#) online. Currently adults under 50 are not receiving the vaccines and with restrictions easing, regular [twice weekly] testing will really help identify asymptomatic cases, keep infection rates down and therefore our school open.

Vaccination Clinic for Hackney's Black Communities – Sunday 28th March 8.30am – 7.30pm

Hackney Council are running a vaccination clinic for Hackney's Black Communities to encourage uptake of the vaccine. The clinic is located at **Bocking Street and open from 8.30am – 7.30pm** with bookings to be made via telephone on 020 8356 3111. The vaccination centre is also **looking for volunteers** from the Black, Asian or Ethnic communities to help on the day. If you are able to support, please email alex.chase@vchackney.org with your availability for one of the shifts below:

- 8.00am – 11.00am
- 11.00am – 2.00pm
- 2.00pm – 5.00pm
- 5.00pm – 8.00pm

Easter Egg hunt Wednesday 31st March

Thank you to the many donations of Easter eggs. We are always blown away by how generous you are when it comes to making this event so special for the children. The boxes will remain out until Tuesday and we need **more small eggs** if possible, rather than the larger ones. I know a few parents have raised concerns about allergies. Please be reassured that the organisers have a list of children in each class with allergies. The children will replace the egg they find with one suitable for them [e.g. either gluten free or vegan], which will be kept separately.

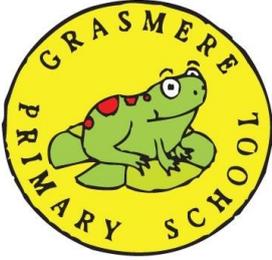


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Photo Competition

We had a brilliant photography workshop from local photographer Nicola Hippisley on Monday that inspired lots of children. Please do encourage your child to take some pictures to enter into the Frogs completion. The deadline has been extended to after Easter holidays and details can be found [here](#).

Gaye

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, Gaye is unable to travel to Turkey to look after her parents as she planned to do at the end of this term. This has been a really challenging personal situation for her but the silver lining is that she will be staying at Grasmere until things change and travel becomes easier. She will definitely be here until half term.

Last day of term: pick up timings

Please remember we finish earlier on the last day of term [Thursday 1st April 2021]. Please make a note of your child's time:

- Year 5/6 1.30pm
- Year 3/4 1.35pm
- Year 1/2 1.40pm
- Early Years 1.45pm

Finally...

I would like to thank you for the many kind messages and conversations I have had since announcing that I'm leaving Grasmere. I am looking forward to enjoying the end of this term and next term at Grasmere, making sure the school is in the best possible position for my successor.

Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,

Nick

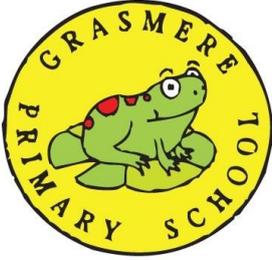


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