



Friday 22nd October 2021

Dear Families,

It seems hard to believe that the half term break is already upon us - the last seven weeks have just flown by. And what a fantastic half term it has been! Across the Federation, the children have settled back into school after such a disrupted experience last year with enthusiasm and huge appetite for learning. It has been a privilege and a joy to see how engaged they are in their lessons and how kind they are with their classmates.

As always, we have strived to offer our pupils a rich and varied learning experience that extends beyond the academic. Some of the highlights this half term have included: barn dancing; pottery classes; visits from the Apollo music quartet; a return to Hackney sports festivals; swimming lessons; scooter training; trips to Clissold Park; visits from Greenwich Museum & Pollock's Toy Museum. Next half term promises to be another exciting term with lots more activities, including a return visit to our much-missed, Hackney Empire festive panto!

Looking ahead to the next half term, as I am sure you are all aware, the shadow of Covid-19 hangs over us all. As cases are currently rising we ask you to continue to test the family regularly. Knowing if we are carrying the virus is the best way we have of keeping others safe and minimising the disruption to our children's learning. Rapid lateral flow tests are freely available from local pharmacies.

On behalf of the Governing Board and all staff I would like to express thanks for your ongoing support for our schools. It is highly appreciated. Together we can provide our children with the excellent education they deserve.

Finally I am looking forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 1st November, and, in the meantime, I wish you a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Reid".

Nicole Reid

Executive Headteacher

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Chris Howard

Chair of Governors