



Monday 8th June 2026



Re: HACKNEY SCHOOLS MUSIC AND DANCE FESTIVAL 2026

Dear Reception Families,

We are delighted to announce that our Reception classes are taking part in the **2026 Hackney Schools Music and Dance Festival**. The children will have the wonderful opportunity to perform alongside other local schools on **Thursday 25th June 2026**.

Here are the key details for the event:

- **Date:** *Thursday 25th June 2026*
- **Performance Time:** 2:00pm – 2:45pm (Doors open for the audience at 1:45pm)
- **Location:** Round Chapel Performing Arts Centre, Lower Clapton Road, London, E5 0LY
- **Cost for Spectators:** £1.00 donation per adult (payable on arrival)

Travel & Volunteers Needed We will be travelling to and from the venue by the 106 bus. The children will travel in two groups, leaving school at **1:10pm** and **1:15pm** respectively. **We really need parent volunteers to support us on the journey there and back.** If you are able to help, please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible.

Audience Members: Families are warmly invited to come and watch. Please note the following venue guidelines from the event organisers (Hackney Music Service):

Seating: Allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Once the venue is full, no further access can be permitted.

Accessibility: Main audience seating is in the upper gallery (450 capacity). Very limited seating is available downstairs for those unable to use the stairs. Please speak to a steward on arrival if you require downstairs seating.

Collection: If you are attending, you may collect your child directly from the Round Chapel after the performance. If you cannot collect your child from the venue, please let us know in advance so we can ensure we have enough volunteer cover for the bus journey back to school.

Potential delays: While the organisers aim to stick to the schedule, performances can sometimes overrun. We appreciate your patience and cooperation if there is a short wait.

Dismissal procedure: Once the performance ends, please listen carefully to the announcements. For safeguarding and safety reasons, parents will not be allowed into the main hall and must wait by the main doors. Please ensure the doorways are kept clear.

Parking: Please note that parking in this area is very restricted. There is **no public parking** allowed within the grounds of the Round Chapel.

Photographs & Videos: The event organisers (Hackney Music Service/Hackney Council) may take photographs and videos to promote music education. These may appear in printed leaflets, local media, or on official social media and websites. Children's full names will never be used without written permission.

Social Media Reminder: We respectfully request that parents **do not share any footage they take on social media networks**, as some children in the performances do not have photo consent.

Opting Out: If you do not wish your child to be photographed by the event organisers, please make sure that you specify this below. Please note that this may mean your child's group cannot be included in official group shots. (Please note the school cannot control photos taken by members of the public).

We are incredibly excited to take part in this event and hope you can join us to celebrate the children's musical talent!

Please complete the slip below and return it to school by **Friday 12th June**.

Thank you for your continued support,

Best wishes,

Joanna Ichim

Federation Deputy Headteacher

I **do / do not** give permission for my child _____
in class _____ to attend the **music festival** at the **Round Chapel** on **Thursday 25th June 2026**. I **do / do not** give permission for them to be videoed/ photographed.

I would like to be considered as a parent volunteer for this trip **YES / NO**

My child needs to take the following medication with them _____

Signed _____ Date _____