



Monday 8th June 2026



Re: HACKNEY SCHOOLS MUSIC AND DANCE FESTIVAL 2026

Dear Year 4 classes and Year 5 Choir Families,

We are delighted to announce that both Year 4 classes and the Y5 Choir will be taking part in the **2026 Hackney Schools Music and Dance Festival**. The children will have the wonderful opportunity to complete a rehearsal on stage and then perform alongside other local schools.

Here are the key details for the event:

- **Date:** Tuesday 23th June 2026
- **Total Event Time:** 1:00pm – 5:30pm (Includes afternoon rehearsals)
- **Audience Performance Time:** 4:00pm (Doors open for the audience at **3:45pm**)
- **Location:** Round Chapel Performing Arts Centre, Lower Clapton Road, London, E5 0LY
- **Cost for Spectators:** £1.00 donation per adult (payable on arrival)

Please note: Parents will strictly not be allowed into the venue while the schools are still rehearsing in the afternoon.

Travel & Volunteers Needed: We will be travelling to the venue by the 106 bus in two groups, leaving school at **1:15pm** and **1:20pm** respectively. **We really need parent volunteers to support us on the journey there.** If you can help, please indicate this on the slip below.

Lunch & Snacks: The children will have their usual lunch at school before leaving. However, because they will be at the venue for a long time, **please provide your child with a healthy snack** to eat during rehearsal breaks (no sweets, crisps, or nut-based products, please).

Collection of Children (From Venue)

- **Strict Venue Pickup:** All participating children **must be collected directly from the Round Chapel** at the end of the event (approx. 5:30pm). If you foresee any collection issues, please contact the school office immediately.
- **Patience with Timings:** While the organisers aim to stick to the schedule, live festival performances can sometimes overrun. We appreciate your patience if there is a short wait.
- **Dismissal Route:** Once the performance ends, please listen to dismissal announcements and wait at the main doors. Please keep these doorways clear so classes can exit safely.

Parking & Photography Rules

- **Parking:** There is no public parking allowed within the grounds of the Round Chapel; local parking is highly restricted.

The event organisers (Hackney Music Service, part of Hackney Council) may take photographs and videos during the festival to promote positive images of education and for fundraising.

How the images may be used:

- **Print & Media:** In leaflets, reports, posters, newspapers, magazines, and TV/radio broadcasts.
- **Digital & Socials:** On official websites (including partner sites) and across Hackney Music Service social media channels.

Child Safety & Anonymity: Only first names will ever be used in publications (if at all). No child will be fully named alongside their image without explicit, written parental permission.

Important Requests for Parents:

- **Social Media Sharing:** We respectfully request that parents **do not share any video footage or photos on social media platforms**. You will be unaware of which other children in the background do not have parental media consent.

If you do not wish your child to be photographed or filmed for these promotional purposes, please specify so on the slip below.

We are incredibly excited for this performance and look forward to seeing you there to celebrate the children's musical talent!

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 **Tuesday 23rd**

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_____