



PRINCESS MAY

NEWS!

September 12, 2025 | Princess May Primary School, Hackney



Head's Message

Dear parents and carers,

It has been great to get back into some structure and routine in our first full week back at school. Children are very much fully immersed into their new timetables and have been adjusting well to our start of year expectations. We have had a renewed push on behaviour, ensuring that the school is calm and safe for all. Once the ongoing building works have been completed, we will again be inviting parents and carers in to see what Hackney Education have graded us as outstanding across the board, including for behaviour and attitudes.

As you know, we open the school gates at 8:45am every morning, with 10 minutes of morning work provided for each child. Please do make an effort to arrive as close to this as possible, so your child can benefit from almost an extra hour of learning per week. We close the gates strictly at 8:55am, and anyone arriving after this time will be marked as late, which can ultimately result in referrals to Hackney attendance service and our education welfare officer.

A reminder to consult our parent and carer handbook for detailed information on every aspect of our school, as well as our website. We will be resuming posts on X from today so please also keep an eye on this for key news and events: <https://x.com/PrimaryMay>.

Have a great weekend.

Class Dojo Winners



<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
3PA	4MW	EYFS	1SM

Gold Certificate Winners



EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Manveer Zyra	Darike Alex	Zahyan Seyi	Asjah Amjed	Ayub Leysley	Jose Melis Aleksandra Micaiah	Waseem Sophie

Secret Agent Awards

TOP SECRET

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Rosemary	Sofia	Dounia	Sarah L	Ayyan	Rioko Geonna	Andreas

Teacher communication/Dojos

The primary form of communication between parents/carers and teachers is via face-to-face at the end of the school day.

Should you wish to contact teachers outside of this time, please email the school office. The class Dojo system should not be used to send messages to class teachers.

Any messages sent via Dojo will not be picked up or responded to. Thank you.

Times Tables Rock Stars

Congratulations to **Amjed** (3PA) and **Amari** (5DM) who are this week's Times Tables Rock Stars! Keep it up!



Punctuality



It is very important for children to arrive on time each day. Gates open at **8:45am** and close promptly at **8:55am**. Please support your child with a smooth start to their day by arriving on time.

Spanish word of the week:

Valiente
Courage



Late collection

School finishes at **3:20pm**. Children not collected by this time will be registered on the late collection register and escorted to the after-school club.

Parents will be called to advise them that their child has not been collected, and that they have been charged a the full cost of the after-school club (**currently £6**).

The full cost applies even if children are collected before the end of the club. Payment must be made via ParentPay.

Reading at Princess May

We all know just how important it is for all our children to develop and improve their reading skills, but that only comes with consistent practice.

- Ensure your child reads at home daily
- Make sure your child brings in their book, book bag and reading record book each day
- Make sure their reading record book is signed every day.



Do you love to sing?

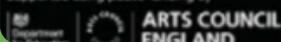
We are recruiting young singers to join the Hackney Borough Youth Choir (Yr4-6) & Senior Vocal Ensemble (Yr7+)



HBYC is an inclusive musical community that brings together singers from Hackney schools to regularly perform joyful, uplifting and diverse repertoire.

Join us for a free of charge taster session on Wednesday 24th September. For venue details & times, please call 020 3076 1535 or email xanthe.sarr@hackney.gov.uk, or scan the QR code for info & registration

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The logo for Princess May Primary School, featuring a stylized figure and the text 'PRINCESS MAY PRIMARY SCHOOL'.

IS MY CHILD WELL ENOUGH TO ATTEND SCHOOL?

YES!

Mild cough, tiredness, runny nose, tonsillitis, conjunctivitis, hand, foot and mouth, mild cold.

If your child is...

- Up and walking about
- Feeling well enough to eat
- Playing at home
- Well enough to watch TV

They are well enough to come in! We can offer them a quiet space and extra support if needed. They will be looked after!

An illustration of a woman with long brown hair, wearing a blue top, sitting on the floor and reading a book to a young child with dark curly hair who is also reading.

An illustration of a blue armchair in front of a bookshelf filled with books, representing a quiet reading space.

NO!

Vomiting, diarrhea, high fever, chickenpox, flu, whooping cough.

If your child is...

- In bed sleeping
- Not well enough to watch TV/read

They are not well enough to come in and should stay home for the day.

A simple illustration of a green rocket ship with a white nose cone and a small flame at the bottom.

Launching Our New Homework System

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to let you know about some changes to our homework system. Your child has received two CGP homework booklets (one for Maths and one for Reading/English), instead of completing tasks online via Emile.

- Homework will be set every Friday and should be returned the following Friday.
- Teachers will review the work together in class to help support learning.
- Lunchtime Homework Clubs will be available for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 to provide additional support.

We hope this new system will make homework more engaging and accessible for all children. Thank you for your continued support.