Hackney

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Dear Student

As we approach the end of the Spring Term, I would like to take this opportunity to express my pride in and admiration for all your hard work and determination as you continue your studies.

The path to success is rarely a straight line. There will likely be challenges, setbacks and moments of doubt along the way. But, in these moments, we truly discover our strength and resilience. Embrace these challenges as opportunities for growth and never be afraid to learn from your mistakes. You are capable of achieving great things. Believe in yourself, your abilities and your potential. Never stop exploring, questioning and seeking knowledge.

Celebrate your accomplishments, be they big or small. Each milestone you reach is a testament to your hard work, determination and resilience. Take pride in your achievements and let them fuel your motivation to continue striving for excellence. Stay curious, embrace new experiences and be open to challenging your perspectives. Be kind to yourself and others. Remember that everyone will be on their own journey and that kindness and compassion can go a long way.

To support you in your ongoing journey of learning and achievement, the Council is currently developing a new Education Strategy for the next three years. This strategy will help to organise how everyone in Hackney works together effectively to enable you to succeed at school and meet your goals for the future. We are working hard to make sure the strategy:

- is focused on you and what you need;
- is ambitious for what you can achieve;
- is anti-racist;
- is inclusive of every child and young person in the borough; and
- encourages individuality, whilst fostering a sense of belonging and wellbeing.

You will be hearing a lot more about the strategy when it is launched later in the year.



Easter Holiday Activities and Support

To ensure that you have access to enriching activities and support during the break, there are a variety of free provisions and Easter programmes available across Hackney. You can find a list of them here: <u>https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/10x10-programme</u>.

Additionally, there are a number of paid-for Easter holiday playschemes across the borough, including <u>Nation Sports</u>, <u>East London Piano</u> and <u>The Art Imaginarium - Art</u>, <u>Circus and Mindfulness Workshops</u>. We encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities to relax, learn, and connect with others in the community.

I wish you a fun and enjoyable holiday period, and a successful Summer Term.

Yours sincerely

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