

Blossom Federation

Daubeney, Sebright and Lauriston



21st September 2022

Dear Parents & Carers

We are almost through our first month of the academic year and the holidays now seem a distant memory. The events of the Queen's Funeral was a once in a lifetime experience to see and we have all been reflecting on this in our settings.

The Federation has been a hive of activity and action and the term has started at great pace. Things are definitely busier for me now that we have joined in partnership with Colvestone School, but I am enjoying the additional challenge. You will be pleased to know, it is a lovely school with great staff, friendly and well behaved children and warm and welcoming parents and carers and I am confident this will be a positive partnership. Whilst I spend all day Monday and Thursday morning at Colvestone, I am very mindful of my responsibilities across the Federation, and in ensuring each school continues to improve.

At SLT level, there has been a thorough analysis of school assessment data to triangulate with the soon-to-be-published School Development Plans. The objectives are tightly focused and clearly show the schools are moving in the right direction. Colvestone's School Development Plan will be in place by half term, which allows us some time to really focus on what is needed to move the school forward. We have also commissioned a one day review from Hackney Education to provide some additional insight. Daubeney's support from Hackney has been downgraded as they are very pleased with our progress, but we still want to maintain the energy and focus to sustain the improvements made already. We have requested our termly one day reviews to continue. Lauriston and Sebright also have very clear plans to further develop the children's learning and the provision they offer. We have also shared our plans with Governors at the Federation and will meet with Colvestone board shortly

Each Head of School has now met our new Hackney Education School Improvement Partner (Laleh Laverick). For Colvestone, Jason Marantz is still working with us. Laleh had lots of very positive things to say about each school and is confident in our own self evaluations about the direction of travel. All is good.

Yesterday, we received notification that Daubeney Children's Centre would be inspected by Ofsted and an inspector visited today. Suzanne and I are really pleased with the outcome, and wish to acknowledge the excellent staff at Daubeney Children's Centre and indeed the cross Federation staff who support. The team were able to showcase a high level of care, quality and focus on our little ones. Thank you also to Sebright's Mr Hamlin for lending his expertise today. The report is likely to be available within the next four weeks, and I will of course, share this with you.

I would like to draw your attention to our social media channels for you to see more of what goes on at the Federation @BlossomExecHT on Twitter and Instagram as well as the school Twitter sites:

@DaubeneyHackney

@SebrightPrimary

@LauristonSchool

@ColvestoneC

Have a great rest of the week

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R Warren".

Robin Warren

Executive Head Teacher