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# SUMMER TERM

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Summer Celebration at Hackney School of Food

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## Celebrating a Successful Year!

As this academic year draws to a close, we are reflecting on the success of all **HTSA** schools over the past **12 months**. Staff who have participated in our programmes have walked away with new knowledge to use in their classrooms, and members have had the opportunity to network, collaborate and share best practice. Our **Middle Leadership Programme** and **Successful Classroom Practice** programme both ended with thought provoking presentations by each participant, and our **Summer Celebration** was a roaring success, with staff from across the alliance joining us for food, drinks and warm **congratulations** for all.



Our **Successful Classroom Practice** programme came to its conclusion earlier this term, with an informative and inspiring session from **Mark Burns**, author of **'Teaching Backwards'**.

The group really enjoyed finding out more about deep learning, retrieval, planning meaningful lesson sequences and looking at teacher clarity. They worked **collaboratively** with each other and with Mark, and rounded up the session with a short presentation on the ways in which they have applied their learning from this programme to their teaching.

The feedback we have received from participants has been **extremely positive** and they are ready to continue using the knowledge they have gained in the new term!





Our **Early Career Teachers** have had an insightful and successful year at their respective schools, where they have continued to utilise the **extensive training** from within their schools and the sessions provided with their pupils.

This term, the HTSA have worked in partnership with the East London Teaching School Hub to deliver the Early Career Framework. Our ECTs have also attended additional enhancement sessions at **Nightingale Primary School** and **Kingsmead Primary School**, where the HTSA have worked with our Specialist Leaders of Education to share high quality teaching practice, with topics including **Quality First Teaching, Emotional Intelligence, Creative Arts, Computing, Geography, Art and PE**, being the focus of some of the training. The first half of the term was spent sitting down, learning about and discussing best practice with the specialist leaders and peers, whilst the second half of the term allowed **ECTs** to get practical and creative in Art, PE and Geography.

We are excited to welcome the group back in **September** for their second ECT year.



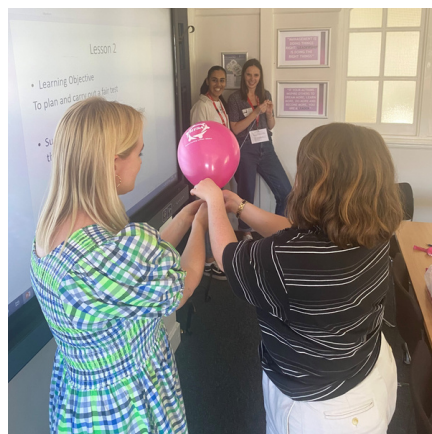


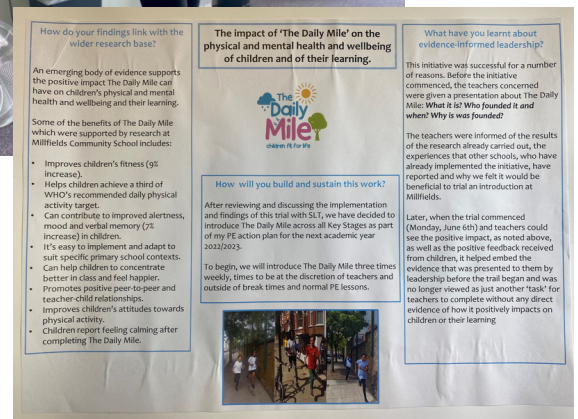
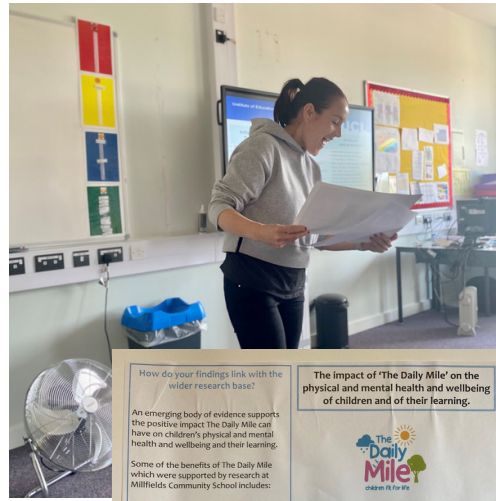
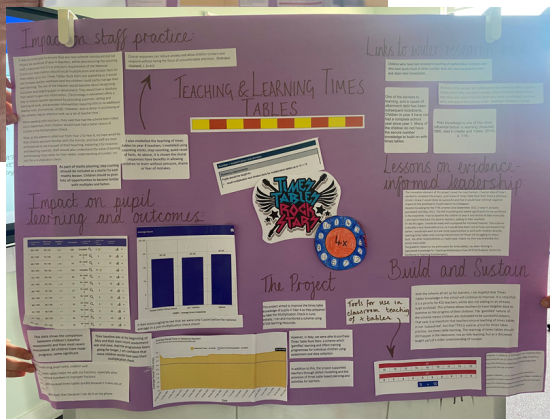
# Hackney Teaching & Schools' Alliance INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING

This year's **Initial Teacher Training Programme** has come to an end, and with sessions this term which focused on Humanities, Art and Design, Humanities, Science and Inclusion, our apprentices are more than ready to start their first **ECT** year in **September**.

We are **so proud** of the hard work they have put in, and we know from liaising with the schools they are partnered with, that they have continuously tried their hardest, built **fantastic relationships** with their classes and colleagues, and applied the expertise and knowledge they have gained from sessions to their practice, in order to be the **best teachers** they can be.

We'd like to wish them all the best with their teaching careers!





Our group of **MLP participants** got together for an extended closing session led by **Dez Veares** of Evolve Coaching and **Kate O'Shaughnessy** from the Institute of Education. Both of these facilitators have directed quality sessions throughout the academic year, giving participants the confidence to thrive in their leadership roles, and the ability to work with and manage a team with diplomacy, tact and assurance.

We were **thrilled** with the feedback we received, detailing how this course has not only helped people improve within their roles, but also given them skills that they have been able to utilise in their **personal lives**. The final session ended with each participant showcasing something that they have implemented within their schools as a result of this programme. **Fiona** from **Millfields** reintroduced 'The Daily Mile' which gets pupils active, whilst also helping them engage more in lessons. **Madison** from **Randal Cremer** implemented a new method of teaching and learning times tables that has had a fantastic impact at her school. **Lauren** from **Rushmore** worked on using technology to improve writing outcomes in special needs pupils.

We are so proud of this year's cohort and are excited to see where their careers will take them!



# SUMMER CELEBRATION

30th June 2022



This June, we got together with teachers and staff from schools across our alliance for our annual **Summer Celebration**. This took place at Hackney School of Food, where Head Food Educator, **Tom Walker**, created a delicious menu which featured **Moroccan chicken**, as well as some appetising sides and salads.

**HTSA** director, **Kate Roberts**, shared some lovely words about each individual that took part in our programmes this year, handing out **certificates** and



congratulating them on their **successful course completion**. We also celebrated our **Specialist Leaders of Education and mentors**, who have delivered insightful and engaging sessions throughout this academic year, whilst also offering participants the support they required whenever it was needed.

This celebration highlighted the **dedication, passion and drive** each and every member of staff across the alliance has for providing quality education to young people in **Hackney**, and we are very grateful for all of the hard work that they do.







# THE GREAT HTSA BAKE OFF

## and the winner is....

In our last edition, we asked alliance schools to participate in our annual baking competition.  
This year, you had to make hot cross buns.

Check out our winners below:



**First Place:**  
**Abigail Hopper**  
Nightingale Primary School

**Second Place:**  
**Toni Altinok**  
Stormont House School



**Third Place:**  
**Anna Feltham's Daughter**  
Clapton Girls' Academy

Prizes will be winging their way to our winners in the Autumn Term!

# GALLERY

Here are some of our favourite images from this term!



Millfields pupils cooling down during the heatwave whilst enjoying some reading time



Mandeville Primary School students showcasing their gymnastic skills

Sack Racing at Kinsmead Primary School for Sports Day



Steel Pan performance at Clapton Girls' Academics' Summer Celebration



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations at Randal Cremer Primary School



Painting butterflies at Wentworth Nursery School

We hope you have enjoyed this issue of the HTSA newsletter. Please [get in touch](#) with Katie with any feedback, potential features or general thoughts. It's very much welcomed!