



## Georgian Gardens Primary School

Newsletter Friday 22nd November 2024

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Another wonderful PTA event was held last weekend and it was super to see so many of our wider community at the craft fair. Take a look at page 2 for some photos of the morning.

On **Monday 25th** we have the first of this year's open classrooms. As in previous years, classes will welcome you in from 2:45pm until about 3:45pm. Please aim to visit your eldest child first, leave them in their room while you visit the younger child and then you can take the children home even if you finish before 3:15pm. Each class will have a sign out sheet for us to keep a track of which children have left the building.

On **Wednesday of next week** there are school photos so please make sure that your child has their full, correct uniform (including jumpers).

Can we remind you, please that the blue statue / structure at the front of the school is not to be played on as it is not designed as a climbing frame and we would not want your child to be injured.

Remember to order your child's Christmas lunch before 5th December—a poster with the menu on can be found on page 4.

Do you have a spare hour or two in the week? Would you like to listen to Y3 children read? If you feel you could join our keen team of volunteers in school, please contact either the front office, Mrs Trahern (ptrahern@georgiangardens.co.uk) or one of the Y3 team. Thank you, in advance for any time you can offer.

### Diary Dates:

Mon 25th Nov	Open Classrooms from 2:45pm
Wed 27th Nov	School Photos
Fri 29th Nov	Y5 trip to Chichester Planetarium
Thurs 19th Dec	Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

### Key dates for next year

Open Evening 6pm	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November (for 2025 starters)		
Parents' Evenings 3:30—6pm	14 <sup>th</sup> / 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	26 <sup>th</sup> / 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	
Open Classrooms 2:45—3:30pm	25 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	31 March 2025	23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025
Nativity 9:30am	9th Dec (YR parents) 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec (Y1 parents) 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec (Y2 parents) 9:30 am		
Sports Day (am KS1 pm KS2)	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2025		
Summer Fair 3:15pm	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 tbc		
Y6 production	w/b 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2025		
Y6 presentation eve	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025		

### This week's star of the week winners:

1LG	Mallison	1LN	(Absent)
2CA	Oliver M	2LD	Pietro
3KC	Luke	3VW	Bodhi
4RD	Fliss	4TF	Oliver
5HC	Sophie	5CT	Ethan
6BA	Blake	6HB	Marley



### Attendance:

The class with the highest attendance this week: **6BA 2LD 98%** they get the chance to have 15 minutes extra choice time next week).

The child with 100% attendance this week:

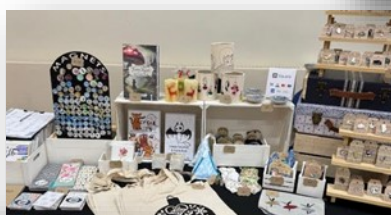
**Ella-May B** chosen by a random generator: —she gets to choose a book from Miss Bowers' selection of prize books.

**Housepoints: 1st Arundel 2nd Lewes**

**3rd Amberley 4th Bramber**

**PTA Craft Fair:**

An absolutely wonderful morning of sales, songs and cakes! Thank you to all who came to the craft fair, to those who had a stall and to the PTA who organised it so seamlessly. A total of around £660 was raised towards our STEAM project and will go a long way to providing resources for the children to use in 'The Nebula'.



**Sports News:**

Last week some Year 6's took part in a Football tournament. We had two teams taking part and both teams had an impressive tournament! The Red Team excelled in the group stages with three wins and a draw. They reached the semi-finals, where they drew 1-1 (thanks to a goal from Louie) but narrowly lost in a penalty shootout. They redeemed themselves in the 3rd and 4th place playoff, securing a dominant victory to claim 3rd place overall.



The White Team performed well in the group stages and earned a spot in the 7th and 8th place playoff. They played with determination and scored the only goal of the match to secure 7th place out of 10. Well done to both teams for their fantastic effort and teamwork!

Some children from Year 6 have been selected for an exciting opportunity to develop their leadership skills through a Locality Leaders program at The Angmering School!

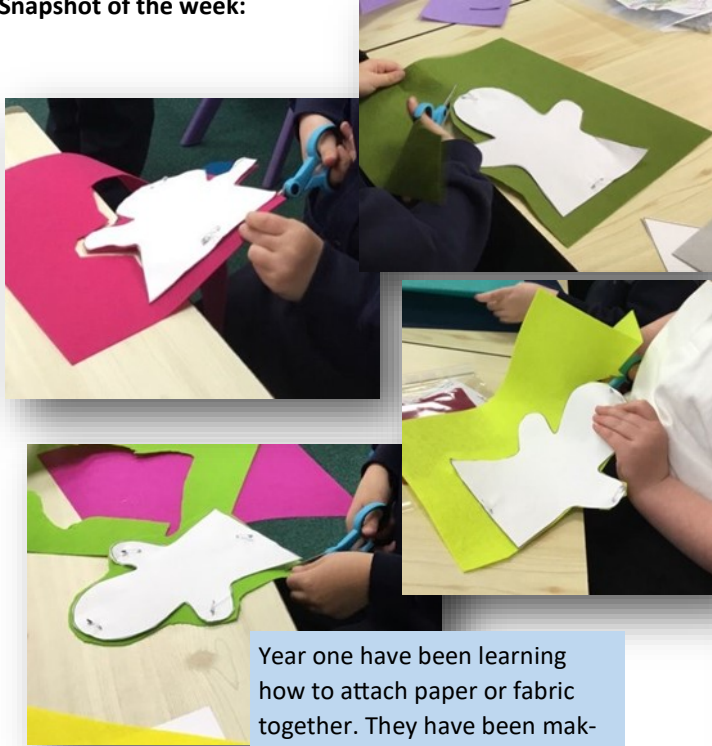
Their first session with Mr Jenner introduced them to the essential skills to become a sports leader. Based on students' feedback, the session was both engaging and enjoyable, setting the stage for future sessions filled with growth and learning.

This week saw the Year 6 Girls only Football tournament. The girls should be incredibly proud of their performance, especially with such a fantastic result as runners up. It's always inspiring to see players grow and develop their skills, particularly those newer to the game. Their willingness to step up, even in challenging roles like goalkeeping, shows great teamwork and determination. What a great experience for everyone involved - congratulations to the team and those who supported them!





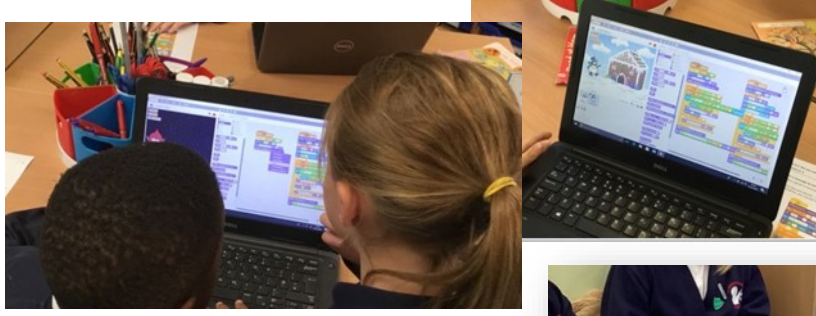
Snapshot of the week:



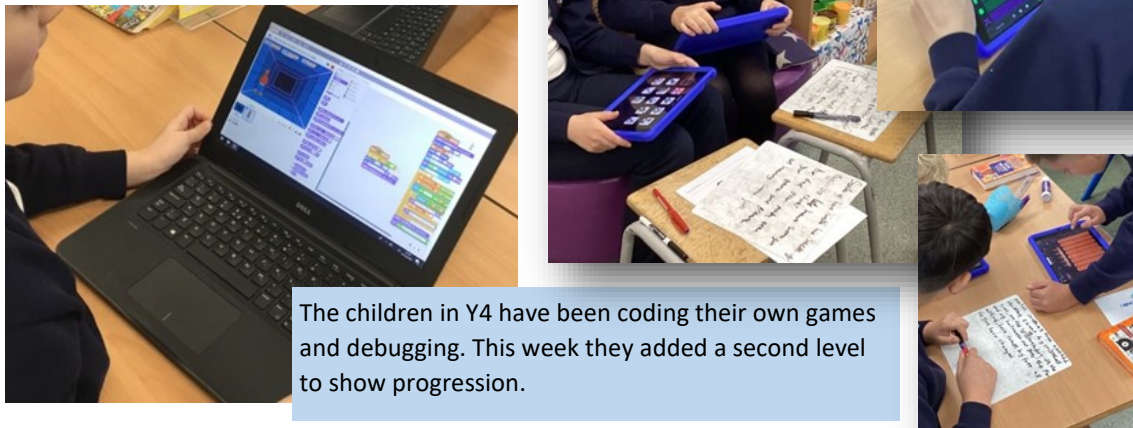
Year one have been learning how to attach paper or fabric together. They have been making their own choices about which materials they will use and have begun to explain their choice.



As part of our computing unit in Y6 we are creating interactive toys. The children thought about inputs and outputs of the BBC Micro:bit before planning their own toy. Then the children used the make code edition app on their iPads to create the code needed for their designs.



The children in Y4 have been coding their own games and debugging. This week they added a second level to show progression.



Year 6 thought about the different components of a song, and what makes it memorable. They then chose an existing Christmas song, and a had a go at changing the lyrics and melody using GarageBand.



### Parent Survey Feedback:

Each week we will be giving a response in the newsletter to one of the questions which was asked in the parent survey before the summer holiday.

'My child does well at this school.'

You said...

We are very happy that 98% of parents responded that they feel their child does well at our school. 1% disagreed and 2% felt that they did not know. This overwhelming positivity reflects the hard work and dedication of our teachers, staff, and, most importantly, your children.

We will always...

- Strive to let parents know at a number of key points of the year how their child is doing. For example: parent's evening (which include progress cards), open classrooms each term and school reports at the end of the year.
- A great deal of work has been undertaken by the staff to ensure that planning for all subjects is thorough and robust with challenging outcomes offering the best opportunities for each child to succeed.
- Our children have a wide range of opportunities within school to enhance learning as well as embrace aspirations. This includes music, art, dance, sport and STEAM.
- We celebrate success in a range of ways: postcards or phone calls home, recognition, stickers, star awards, feedback, positive praise.
- We have an open door policy. Teachers and teaching assistants are at the door to welcome the children each morning as well as speak with parents. The leadership team are also on the gate each morning and afternoon.
- If there are barriers to learning, we have an experienced pastoral team who are able to offer a range of support to the children and also signpost parents to further support.

**IMPORTANT— ORDER CUT OFF DATE: 5th DECEMBER** book now to avoid disappointment.

**Christmas Lunch**

Join our festive lunch by ordering on ParentPay for  
.....Thursday 19th December.....

**MAINS**  
Roast Turkey in Gravy,  
or  
Quorn Roast in Gravy

**SIDES**  
Roast Potatoes, Peas, Sweetcorn  
Mini Sausage & Stuffing

**DESSERT**  
Festive Cupcake

Scan QR code to order, no later than Thursday 5th December,  
Or visit ParentPay.com

\*Special diets will remain in place.

**Sports News:**

On Wednesday, Mr Jenner (PE teacher at The Angmering School) and a team of sports leaders spent the day leading PE sessions with each year group. The activities were extremely well organised and the children had a great time, ably supported by the high school students. Thank you to Mr Jenner for spending the day with us.

