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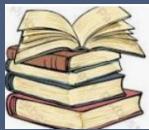
We kindly remind you that to contact a member of staff you can:

- speak them at the classroom door at drop off (be conscious that they will not be able to talk for long as they have to start the day promptly or at pick up).
- Call into the office to request an appointment to see someone.
- Phone the office to make an appointment.
- Email via the school office (this will be passed on to the relevant member of staff).

Please do not email after 5:30pm or before 8:00am.

Please do not use other messaging (e.g. Facebook messenger) services to contact staff.

As you know, we are very much a 'reading school' and enjoy sharing our love of books all year. This term, however, we especially focus on books as we celebrate World Book Day and hold our annual book fair. The book fair will be open from Wednesday 25th February (which also happens to be parents' evening).



For World Book Day (Thursday 5th March) this year we are inviting children to either wear pyjamas / dressing gowns or dress up as a favourite book character. Special activities happen in class during that week to celebrate books even more than usual!

Please do also remember the value of reading to / with your child at home and note it in their reading journal.

Star of the week

1HK Clemmie **1KM** Faye **2CA** Tyler **2LN** Sophia

3VW Finley **3HC** Roscoe **4KC** George **4TF** Luna

5RD Leo **5CT** Iona **6HB** Elena **6BA** Gus

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance in the past week: **2CA** (they will have 15 minutes choice of a treat next week).

The child with 100% attendance in this last week, chosen by a random generator:

Theo D 3HC he gets to choose a book from Miss Bowers' selection of prize books.





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Sport News:

On Wednesday, Georgian Gardens attended the first sports event of 2026, Angmering Mile. This event served as a qualifier for the Year 5 and 6 pupils for a local cross-country competition involving all the southern area schools. We took six runners to the event and everyone of them performed exceptionally well, notable performances include Theo who finished third in the Year 5 boys' race, Leo who finished 4th in the Year 5 boys' race and Riley who secured 4th place in the Year 6 boys' race. Several of our pupils have qualified for the next stage of the competition which will take place in a few weeks' time on a more challenging course that includes hills! The children are very much looking forward to this next event.





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Spotlight on the week:

Year 6 have been learning about ratio and used multilink to represent how one colour links to another. We discussed that ratio represents a multiplicative relationship between a set of values.



The children in Y4 programmed a timer using a BBCMake Code to display on a BBC Micro:bit. They designed and made a box from a net, then made a slot to house their Micro:bit



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Governor Focus: We continue our series on the governing body with details on some more of its members.

Mrs Gemma Elliott Chair of Governors:



I have lived in the local area for most of my life and have worked in the Public Sector locally for over 20 years. My job has allowed me to work with a wide range of people and agencies within the community.

My eldest son started in Reception at the school in 2020 and my youngest son joined in September 2022. I have an ongoing relationship with Georgian Gardens and I want to support the school in any way I can.

I am pleased to be involved with a school that cares for all its students and provides a positive learning environment and am passionate about supporting where I can to keep the school flourishing and improving.

Ms Heather Ward Vice-Chair of Governors:



Heather has been a practitioner in schools for 37 years working in Liverpool, Haringey and West Sussex and has held a number of responsibilities including Safeguarding, SENCO, Travellers' Education, EAL provision, Children who are Looked After, Pastoral Care etc. She has worked for Ofsted and has been part of the West Sussex Safeguarding of Children Board. She has experience working with statutory agencies - most notably Children's Social Care and Sussex Police Safeguarding Investigation Unit . Heather lives locally and has a special fondness for Georgian Gardens because, at the tender age of 18, she did work experience when the school had just opened. This confirmed her desire to be a teacher. She seeks to work hard to ensure she can be of service to all staff, students, families and the Governing Body at Georgian Gardens school. She currently leads the Governor's Pastoral and Pupil Premium Team and she is currently the Vice-Chair of Governors.



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Key dates for 2025 - 2026			
Parents' Evenings 3:30pm – 6pm	Mon 20 th Oct / Wed 22 nd Oct	*Wed 25 th Feb/Thurs 26 th Feb*	Date changed to allow for book fair
Open Classrooms From 2:45pm	Mon 24 th Nov	23 rd March	22 nd June
Sports Day KS1 am KS2 pm	Thursday 18 th June (back up 25 th June)		
Summer Fair 3:30 – 5:15pm	*** New Date *** Fri 26 th June		
Y6 production 1:30pm / 6:30pm	Tues 14 th July pm / Thurs 16 th July pm and evening		
Y6 presentation eve 6pm – 7pm	Mon 20 th July		