

# **Georgian Gardens Primary School**

# Newsletter Friday 18th October 2024

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Thank you so much for your generosity this week. We have been blown away with the amount of items and monetary donations which you have sent in to school. We had a lovely harvest assembly led by the vicar from St Peter's and St Paul's, Nathalie. We have also received a wonderful amount of toiletries for our fireworks event and generous donations for Breast Cancer Awareness Day. For all of this, thank you.

It was lovely to see so many parents in school for the parents' evenings. We really do value these opportunities to meet with you and share how your child is progressing, working together to ensure your child achieves well during their time in school. Please do remember that these conversations do not need to be limited to parents' evenings. If you wish to talk to your class teacher or a member of SLT please do phone school to make an appointment. For shorter chats SLT are available on the gates in the morning but we do ask that you do not spend too long talking with class teachers at that time as they need to get into class to begin the day.

Molly the school dog and Harry from Y6 ready to celebrate breast cancer awareness day!

### **Diary Dates:**

	Mon 21st Oct*** NEW DATE***	3:15pm Y6 Sayer's Croft Meeting	
	Fri 8th Nov	5:30pm Fireworks event	
	Sat 16th Nov	10am-1pm PTA Table Top Craft Fair	
	Wed 27th Nov	School Photos	
Fri 29th Nov		Y5 trip to Chichester Planetarium	

Non-uniform Days for Firework Donations

Fri 25th Oct—Chocolate

Fri 8th Nov—Bottles

	Key dates for	next year		
Open Evening 6pm	Tuesc	lay 19 <sup>th</sup> November (for 20	r 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: Attendance: The class with the highest attendance this week: Olive 1LG 1LN George 2CA 99% they get the chance to have 15 minutes extra choice time next week). 2CA Harvey 2LD Frances The child with 100% attendance this week: 3KC Mila 3VW Hermione Erin S 4RD chosen by a random generator: -she 4RD Millie 4TF Flo G gets to choose a book from Miss Bowers' selection of prize books. 5CT Rupert 5HC Stanley Housepoints: 1st Arundel 2nd Bramber and Amberley 4th Lewes 6BA George 6HB Mason

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# Christmas Lunch:

This date, Thursday 19th December, will also be our school Christmas jumper day.



site has been showing 'burgers' as the food for this date. We are assured that Chartwells will change this very soon.)



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

Or visit ParentPay.com

rder, no later than Thursday 5th December,



#### For Your Harvest Festival donations

Your generous donations of food will make a HUGE difference to families using the School Pantry. St. Peter and St. Paul Pantry team.





#### Some incredible News:



On Wednesday evening, George T from 6BA managed to run 10k with his dad to raise money for St Michael's Hospice in Basingstoke. The hospice had cared for his Grandad a few months ago. As a family they are trying to raise money for a cuddle bed for the hospice as all George's grandad wanted was a cuddle with George's nanny but unfortunately this was not possible due to medical equipment getting in the way. George should be feeling very proud of himself as he raised £290.









### Sports News:

A group of Year 3's and 4's took part in a Basketball event at The Angmering School on Thursday afternoon. We had two teams, a Year 3 and a Year 4. Both teams performed exceptionally well, making it all the way to the semi-finals. They had to play each other in the semi-final! It was a tense but exciting match with the Year 3's clinching the win with the only goal of the game. The Year 4's gave it their best in the third and fourth playoffs, showing great effort even though they just missed out on third place. The Year 3's performance in the final against such a strong East Preston team, especially with a Worthing Thunder player involved, is truly impressive. Finishing as runners-up with a score of 8-4 is a great achievement, especially for such a young team. Congratulations to every-one who participated - this is definitely something to be proud of!



#### **Music News:**

As you know, music is a real strength of our school and we pride ourselves on growing future stars! We have believe that it is important that we have quality instruments so have bought a new drum set and three guitars. You can see from the photos that they have been a very popular addition to our instrument collection.

#### 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.

'The school makes me aware of what my child is learning during the year.'

You said...

96% of you said that the school do make you aware of what your child is learning during the year.

We will always ...

- Hold 'Meet the Teacher' sessions in September at which the teacher talk through an overview of learning for the year.
- At the start of each term study unit overviews are sent out (and published on the website). These outline in more depth the content of learning for the term.
- There are two parents' evenings held each year at which parents can view their child's books and discuss progress.
- A written report is sent home towards the end of the summer term giving details of what your child has learnt during the year.
- At the end of each term we hold 'open classrooms' which give the opportunity for parents to come into school to see their child in class and look through work completed that term and talk about it with their child.
- On the school website there are details of learning across all subjects in all year groups. These 'curriculum pathways' are also on display on subject display boards in the school corridors.
- The Early Years team lead workshops for parents on approaches to learning and ways to support their child.

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### Headlice:

We continue to have a number of incidents of headlice.

This NHS website has advice on how to deal with the 'visitors':

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

### Wet combing

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing. You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits. There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

- wash hair with ordinary shampoo
- apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do)
- comb the whole head of hair, using the detection comb, from the roots to the ends

It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. When you've finished combing the hair, comb through all the hair again for a second time.Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

### Parking:



Please do not park across our neighbours drives or parking spaces. Almost daily we are receiving complaints from local residents who are having difficulty in parking or moving their cars. We are also very concerned about the safety of our children when it is so busy on the road. Please consider parking a couple of streets away and walking round to school to avoid congestion.

**DO NOT PARK** on the entrance to the school. Only permit holders may drive into the school grounds.

### **Uniform Reminders:**

We pride ourselves on our children looking smart for school. Can we please remind you that skirts should not be too short. As the children grow it can be hard to notice skirts shrinking. 'Just above the knee' should be a guide for the shortest a skirt can be. An example can be seen in the photos. Please note that 'skorts' are not part of our school uniform. Thank you for your co-operation with this.



### **Reminder:**

The gates close at 8:45am as this is when children should be in class ready for learning. Please try to be here by then to avoid having to sign in at the front office. Thank you.

