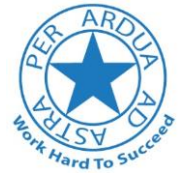


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## Circular 01/2019

13<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back - I hope you had an enjoyable summer. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to those of you who are new to our school community.

### Secondary Transfer and School Journey- Meeting for Year 6 Parents

There will be a meeting for parents **on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7:00pm** in the Junior Hall. It is important that all Year 6 parents attend. At this meeting there will be a recap on the secondary transfer process and additional details regarding the residential trip to the Isle of Wight. Please see the school website for more information on Secondary Transfer. <https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=Secondary+Transfer&pid=250>

### Mobile Phones - Reminder

Children are not permitted to bring mobile phones into school unless this has been requested in writing and authorised by the Head Teacher. Permission will only be granted to lone travellers. Children who have been given authorisation must hand their phones into the school office in the morning for safekeeping and collect them at the end of the school day. For safeguarding reasons, we are requesting that parents do not allow their children to have smart phones with internet access or ensure that restrictions are activated on them to prevent internet access. Please discuss our mobile phone policy with your child and ensure that you are supporting them in adhering to the school rules.

### School Uniform

Children should start the school day looking clean and smart and wearing the correct uniform. Class teachers monitor uniform very closely. Please ensure that hair clips etc., are in school colours and not too decorative. Socks and tights should also be in the correct school colours. Trainers may only be worn for outdoor PE. Full details of our uniform can be found on the website:

<http://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=244>

### School Lunches

Mrs Morgan Chiswick, our Welfare Assistant administers school lunch monies. Payment must be made online through your ParentMail account. Please note that we are in the process of moving towards cashless payments, as this will reduce administration for the school and is a safer payment method.

Lunch money should always be paid in advance. Credits are made to your account if your child is absent from school. Parents are politely requested to ensure that they do not allow their lunch accounts to fall into arrears. The cost of school lunch for the **Autumn Term 2019** is as follows:

- **Years 3/4/5**

First half of the Autumn Term		£79.56
Second half of the Autumn Term		£88.92
Whole Autumn Term		£168.48
- **Year 6 who are attending the residential School Journey**

First half of the Autumn Term		£67.86
Second half of the Autumn Term		£88.92
Whole Autumn Term		£156.78

Free School Meals- If you think that you are eligible, please contact Mrs Chalfen in the school office for more details about how to apply.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

There are still places in Year 4 chess on Friday lunch times – contact the office for more details.





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## ParentMail

This first newsletter will be sent home as a paper copy on Monday, but ordinarily newsletters will be sent home **every Friday by email** using ParentMail – please look out for them! Other important communication is sent out via ParentMail too, including emergency messages regarding school closures etc., either by text, or by email. If you have any changes of email address or mobile numbers, it is your responsibility to update your ParentMail account contact details. **It is also important to keep the school office up to date with changes in contact details as the two systems are not connected.**

In addition, we expect **all** payments to be made online through your ParentMail account. (Go to 'Payments' and then 'Shop'). If you need any help activating or logging in to your account, please see Ms Chalfen in the school office as soon as possible.

## Charity Event 'Jeans for Genes Day' Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

We would like everyone to take part in this fund raising event. Children are invited to wear their jeans/casual trousers in return for a voluntary £1 donation to raise money for the Jeans for Genes charity.

Jeans for Genes Day is a charity that raises money for research into genetic conditions. 1 in 25 children has a genetic disorder that makes their life very difficult. The Jeans for Genes Day charity have a series of powerful films to explain how your child's donation will make a difference. Each film provides a compelling and personal insight, introducing some amazing children living with genetic disorders, sharing first-hand what life is like with their condition. Please visit [jeansforgenes.org/schools](http://jeansforgenes.org/schools) for more information and to view these films. If you would like to find out more about how our support will help, please visit their website at [jeansforgenes.org](http://jeansforgenes.org)

## School Fund

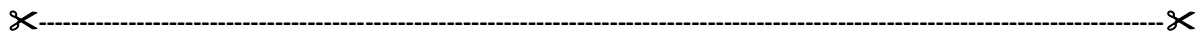
A reminder to parents who have not yet contributed this year: we do appreciate the contribution of £20 per family per year, towards the school fund. This money is spent in various ways for classroom extras. **Please make your donation online on ParentMail**, or, until we go fully cashless, using the slip below.

The staff and I look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the year.

Please see the diary dates for the autumn term. Please note that these will be updated regularly in the weekly newsletter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher



## School Fund Slip 2019 (Cash or Cheque)

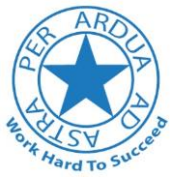
Please enclose your contribution in a sealed envelope labelled 'School Fund' and return to the school office or class teacher.

Please find enclosed a voluntary contribution to school fund. Amount enclosed: .....

Childs Name..... Class.....

Signed.....





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## Diary Dates Autumn Term 2019

Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 7pm	Year 6 Secondary Transfer and School Journey Meeting
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	'Jeans for Genes Day' Children are permitted to wear their jeans or casual trousers to school on this charity day.
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Photographer in school- individual photographs
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 Visit to Kenwood House
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parent Teacher Consultations 3:30pm to 6:00pm ( <i>details coming soon</i> )
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 4 Trip to Verulamium Museum
Week Beginning 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Black History Week
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Teacher Consultations 4:15pm to 7:00pm ( <i>details coming soon</i> )
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Residential trip to The Isle of Wight
<b>Half Term</b>	
<b>Monday 21st – 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>INSET DAY ~ School closed</b>
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	Back to School
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Theatre Shakespeare Workshops
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Young Shakespeare Theatre Trip 'Macbeth'
w/c Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Last week of Clubs
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>End of Term   School closes at 2.30pm</b>

Please note that dates may be added to this calendar over the next few weeks

E. Bhavsar

Mrs E Bhavsar  
Head Teacher

