



Garden Suburb Junior School

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Circular 10/2019

22nd November 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **Road Safety** talks were provided for all of the children on Monday, delivered by a representative from the Barnet Road Safety and sustainable travel team.
- **Election:** the children learnt about elections and voting this week. I talked to them about the job of a member of parliament and the voting system
- **Year 5 Trip to Hatfield House:** the children enjoyed their visit to learn about the Tudors and the life of Henry VIII
- **House Captain Assembly:** Year 6 House Captains led assemblies for their houses today. The theme was educational visits and how they support the learning and enjoyment of our curriculum
- **Boys' Football:** the team played their second game of the season this week, defeating Millbrook 2-1
- **Years 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics:** yesterday, we competed in the borough finals of the Sportshall Athletics. 21 teams entered and, after lots of training and hard work, the team finished in third place. Well done everyone!

Garden Suburb Schools Lottery

The Infant and Junior School PTAs are launching this exciting new fundraising initiative
Ready to combat the January blues, the first draw will take place on Saturday 25th January 2020

A ticket costs £1 per week and all funds raised go directly to our school. Each ticket will also enter you in TWO draws:

1. A jackpot prize draw for £25,000.00.
2. A local draw with a guaranteed prize for one of the supporters of our school. The size of the prize will depend on the number of tickets bought for the school that week.

You can pass this link onto your family and friends - anyone and everyone can sign up and be in with a chance of winning. The more people who sign up, the better the prize each week and the more the school raises.

Where does your £1 ticket money go?

- 40p** directly to the schools
- 36p** towards lottery prizes
- 20p** lottery administrative costs
- 4p** VAT

The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our schools. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be, so please support the lottery today - and who knows, maybe you'll be the next £25,000 winner! Click on the following link to sign up: [Click to Sign Up to Garden Suburb School Lottery](#)

For more details, please see the flyer sent home with your child today.

Follow the PTA:

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PTA Events

- **Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale** in the Junior Playground Friday 29th November from 3pm
- **Secondhand Uniform Sale in the playground Thursday 28th / Friday 29th November** - Flash sale, everything 50p!
- **Seasonal Fair** Friday 13th December 2019

This is a wonderful fundraising event which is a highlight of the children's annual calendar! Letters with a reply slip went home last week (and attached again). Thank you to all those who have already donated / volunteered to help.

Extended deadline for cash donations / volunteering: ASAP PLEASE!	Please continue to send in your £12 per child / offers of help
Monday 2nd - Wednesday 11th December	Bring in your bought/homemade gifts
Thursday 12th December 10am - 3pm	Volunteers needed to sort gift and decorate hall
Friday 13th December 9am - 3pm	Volunteers needed to run the stalls and help on the day

- **An 'Astra Textiles Recycling Bank' is arriving in the playground next week**

Astra help raise vital funds for schools, community groups, clubs, churches and scout groups through a textile recycling service. Astra is on a mission to get everyone recycling their textiles! Over 200 schools across the South have an 'Astra Textile Recycling Bank'. There is no cost involved - the recycling banks and collection service are free.

Children, parents and staff can donate unwanted textiles, which will then be sent to poorer communities across Eastern Europe, Africa and Asia or recycled into industrial cleaning wipes and insulation materials. They take clothes, paired shoes, bed sheets, soft toys, fashion accessories and bags.

- **Astra will pay 0.20p per kilo for textiles collected, raising extra funds for the school**
- A full bank can raise £40! Collections are made every 2 weeks.

Staffing

I am pleased to announce that we have recruited a new Music Co-ordinator, Miss Baker, who will take up her position at Garden Suburb Junior School in January 2020. Fortunately, we were able to employ a temporary music teacher, Mr O'Connor, who has been providing music lessons during the first half of the Autumn Term and will be available for some lessons during the second half of this term.

From January 2020, when Miss Baker starts at the school, all Year 3, Year 4, and Year 5 classes will be performing a class assembly. In addition, the musical clubs will start again. The Year 6 production will take place as usual at the end of the summer term.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher

Diary Dates Autumn Term 2019

Thursday 28 th & Friday 29 th November 3:10pm	Secondhand Uniform Sales – everything 50p
Friday 29 th November 3:25pm	Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale
Friday 29 th November 2:30pm	Piano Concert for parents
w/c Monday 9 th December	Last Week of Clubs
Friday 13 th December 9:30am until 2:30pm	Seasonal Fair- PTA Fund Raising Event
Monday 16 th December 2:30pm	Violin Concert
Thursday 19th December	End of Term School closes at 1.30pm

