

Garden Suburb Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Seasonal 'Thank You' to our Support Staff

It has been our custom for many years for the children to say 'thank you' to our support staff, for all that they do for the school, by giving them a Christmas gift. These are invaluable members of staff whose dedication and hard work is often unseen. This includes our: meal time supervisors, kitchen staff and cleaning staff, caretakers Mr Adolphe and Mr Shepherd and the team of learning support assistants.

We would be very happy to receive your donations – please send them to the school office in a sealed envelope marked 'Support Staff Christmas Gifts' by **Monday 16th December**, thank you.

Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **Seasonal Fair:** The children had a wonderful time shopping at our 'Seasonal Fair' today. Thank you to everyone who made this event a great success. We will let you know how much we have raised next week.
- **'Save the Children':** The children looked in the festive mood today in their seasonal jumpers. Thank you for the contributions to the charity. We raised £126.34.

Year 3 – Visiting Author

Last Friday, the children in Year 3 were visited by Natalie Ramm, author of the children's book 'The Man in the Mountain.' She read her book to the children, answered their questions about the plot and explained her route into becoming a published author. The children were incredibly inspired by her and many of them shared their aspirations of one day having a piece of their work published too. Although we have bought copies of the book for the Year 3 classrooms, many children expressed an interest in purchasing the book for themselves. Please follow the link if you wish to buy a copy, or ask at your local bookshop:

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/Man-Mountain-Natalie-](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Man-Mountain-Natalie-Ramm/dp/1857144783/ref=sr_1_1?crid=RAC8FT9OPTY&keywords=man+in+the+mountain&qid=1574271208&spre)

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[fix=man+in+the+m%2Caps%2C237&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Man-Mountain-Natalie-Ramm/dp/1857144783/ref=sr_1_1?crid=RAC8FT9OPTY&keywords=man+in+the+mountain&qid=1574271208&spre)

PTA - Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale on Thursday 19th December 1:30pm

The PTA will be selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts in the playground at the end of the day: £1 each or £10 for a box.

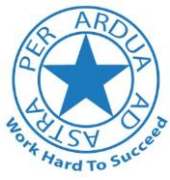
It is time for a clear out! Our 'Astra Textiles Recycling Bank' has arrived - the green bin in the Junior playground

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.

- 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.
- Please place all items in a bag BEFORE you put them in the recycling bin, thank you.

Astra will accept	Astra CANNOT accept
All men's, ladies and children's clothing (except school uniform with a logo)	Pillows, duvets and cushions
Paired Shoes	Workwear
Handbags, bags, ties and belts	Carpets & Rugs
Bed clothes, towels, soft toys	Soiled or wet clothing
	Textile off cuts, yarns, or mutilated textile material





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Looking for Name Labels? Raise money for the PTA by ordering Stikins

[Click here to order Stikins® Name Labels](#) and raise money for the school - just remember to fill in the school's unique code 7729. Flyers will be coming home in your child's bag on Monday.

Follow the PTA: **Facebook** GSJSPTACOMMUNITY (in Groups) **Instagram** @gsjsptacommunity

Violin Concert Monday 16th December 2:30pm Junior Hall

The parents of children who are performing are warmly invited to this concert.

Raffle Tickets for the children's raffle will continue to be on sale in the classrooms next week on Monday and Tuesday. Children are permitted to bring in money next week to buy tickets if they have not yet purchased any.

Tickets cost 20p each or £1 for a book. *The draw will take place in assembly on Wednesday 18th December.*

1st Prize	Huawei Mediapad T3 8 Tablet
2nd Prize	Smart Watch
3rd Prize	One full week space at Rising Stars Holiday camp 2020 for one child

FunTime: Breakfast Club and After School Childcare:

FUNTIME is unable to accept any children into the club unless previously agreed with Sharon.

Due to limited space, Funtime cannot always accommodate last minute bookings. They have a few spaces reserved which are given on a first-come-first-served basis, arranged directly through Sharon on 07506 030 037.

In particular, please ensure you have organised your childcare in advance for the week beginning 16th December, when the after-school sports and Spanish clubs have ended.

All after school clubs have now ended, and there is no early morning IDL next week.

A reminder that school ends at **1.30pm next Thursday 19th December**. Children return for the new spring term on Tuesday 7th January.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher

