



Garden Suburb Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Using Lateral Flow Tests Helps to Keep Our Community Safe

We have no more reported cases of Covi-19 in 5G. Please continue to use lateral flow tests on Sundays and Wednesdays and more frequently if your child has symptoms.



Dress up for 'Children in Need' – Friday 19th November



We will be supporting this National Fund Raising day by having a dress up day. 'Children in Need' fund local charities and projects that help to remove the barriers that are facing children and young people, so that they can thrive. The theme this year is '**Together We Can Help Change Children's Lives**'.

We are suggesting that the children dress up on the theme of '**people who help**' this could be dressing as workers in health care /emergency services eg doctor, nurse, police, fire officer. To make it easier for you, we are keeping it very flexible - it could even be a fictional character from a film/book or even dressing as a superhero.

Those who would like to make a donation to the charity can bring a contribution into school on the day.

Amazon Wish List: **Thank you for supporting the school to purchase 124 new books!**

We had a great response to the launch of our wish list. There is still plenty of books left to purchase and we are adding to the list all the time.

We have carefully put together a list of high-quality and engaging books that are available to purchase, for the school, on our Amazon wish list. When you browse the wish list, you will notice that the books are labelled with the year group that they are appropriate for and the quantity in which they are needed. Once you have made a purchase, on the school's behalf, they will be delivered to our school and added to our library and classroom book corners.

Thank you in advance if you are able to support us. Please visit the following link to visit our wish list:

<https://amzn.eu/7BUe39B>

Seasonal Fair: Friday 3rd December 2021 - We may have to cancel the fair if we do not get enough support!

This is a wonderful fundraising event, organised by the PTA and is a highlight of the children's annual school calendar! A separate Parentmail was sent last week. In addition, a printed copy, with a reply slip, was sent home last week with the children with all the details, instructions and what YOU need to do to support this event. Please also make a note of the summary of important dates to ensure everyone is included.

Our Seasonal Decoration Competition

Children should make their decoration at home. See the information below on how to submit your child's entry:

- It must be able to hang - it **can't be too heavy** and **needs a loop at the top**
- It can be made from **any materials** – paper, felt, tissue paper, pipe cleaners, pom poms, papier maché, recycled materials and more.
- It must be labelled with your child's **name** and **class**
- Please bring the decorations in on **Monday 22nd November 2021**– (no sooner as they may get damaged before they can be hung up around the school)

The decorations will be judged by the school council on **Wednesday 24th November 2021**. The prize is a box of seasonal crafting materials – a winner in each year group!





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Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **Remembrance:** Assemblies focused on remembrance and we marked the Armistice Day silence on Thursday.
- **Drama Workshops:** Workshops took place in Year 5 today called 'Hidden Figures – Black and British'. The children learnt fascinating stories of brilliant Black people, often omitted from our history lessons, who have shaped our country. These 'hidden figures' were used to entertain and inform discussions to give an insight into our history; a history that includes Black people as fundamental to creating the fabric of our society and the rich tapestry of who we are today. Over the next few weeks all year groups will be taking part in these workshops.
- **Girls' Football:** Congratulations to the girls' football team who, last Friday, defeated All Saints' to progress to the second round of the John King Trophy. Yesterday, the team played their first league match against Sunnyfields and played some exciting football. Thank you to the parents and carers who have attended these matches and created a positive atmosphere.
- **Road Safety Week:** The theme of Road Safety Week 2021 is Road Safety Heroes, celebrating the heroic work of road safety professionals, and explaining how we can all play a part in making travelling safer for everyone. There will be class assemblies on how to stay safe on the roads and we are launching a comic strip competition to encourage all children to take part. For further details on the competition, please see the link below.
<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=Competitions&pid=530>

Curriculum Events: Click on the link for more details of some of the curriculum activities that are taking place.
<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/news/?pid=258&nid=2>

The Year 3 Class Assemblies are at 2:30pm in the Junior Hall on the following dates:

3S Tuesday 16th November

3J Tuesday 30th November

3G Tuesday 14th December

GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY: The next draw is this Saturday 13th November 2021, you could win £25,000! Only £1 per ticket. <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garden-suburb-junior>. You've got to be in it to win it – GOOD LUCK EVERYONE.

EasyFundraising

Please remember to sign up and use **EASYFUNDRAISING** when doing any online shopping. It's a really easy way for us to raise vital money for our school to benefit our children.

Not only can you make BIG SAVINGS and access EXCLUSIVE DEALS on Amazon, if you do all your shopping through #easyfundraising you can raise FREE donations for us with whatever deals you buy! If you haven't signed up to support us yet, sign up now: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/gsj>

Yours sincerely

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher

