

# Garden Suburb Junior School

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25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

## School Uniform Sale – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February

There will be a second hand uniform sale in the playground from 3pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

## COVID-19

As you know, the rules around Covid self-isolation changed yesterday, with many of the legal restrictions being lifted. However, the latest Government guidance for schools is very clear and says:

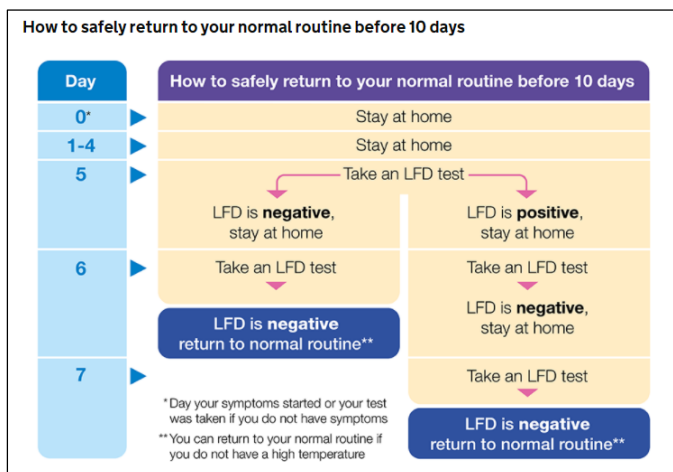
- ‘Children and young people with COVID-19 **should not attend their education setting while they are infectious.**
- They should take a lateral flow test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.
- They should follow the guidance for their educational setting.’

## From Monday the guidance at Garden Suburb Junior School is:

- Any child showing Covid symptoms should not attend school and not return until they have had 2 negative lateral flow tests on Days 5 and 6
- Any asymptomatic child who tests positive at home on a lateral flow test should not attend school and not return until they have had 2 negative lateral flow tests on Days 5 and 6
- Any child displaying Covid symptoms at school will be sent home (as we would for other illnesses) and should not attend should and not return until they have had 2 negative lateral flow tests on Days 5 and 6
- The above guidance will be the same for staff

School attendance also remains compulsory for all school age children unless they are unwell, have Covid or have Covid symptoms.

Barnet Public Health advice is also for families and staff to keep ordering lateral flow test kits via the Gov.uk online route in order to keep testing. Here’s the link to this:  
<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>





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## Curriculum Events and Assemblies

We engage and motivate your children with a wide variety of events that enrich their learning experiences across the curriculum. We put a lot of emphasis on developing the children's 'cultural capital' this way. In addition, these events also support remembering of their learning.

**Please see the 'Latest News' on our website for more details on our curriculum events**

<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/news/?pid=258&nid=2>

- **LGBT+ History Month:** The focus of upper school assembly this week was celebrating diversity and acceptance of difference. The children learnt that the LGBTQ+ community (that is all the people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer or questioning) have unfortunately not always been treated with respect. This is usually because people do not understand that it is fine to be different or to live a different lifestyle. The children learnt that everyone has the right to be treated fairly, to be safe and to be happy. I was proud of the Year 5 and Year 6 children and impressed with their maturity during when answering questions
- **Year 4 Class Assemblies**  
Please see the dates for the Year 4 class assemblies which will take place in the school hall at 2:30pm on the following dates:  
**4S Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March**                      **4J Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**
- **World Book day:** Please see the email sent this week with details about World Book Day which we will be celebrating on **Friday 4th March 2022**.  
To celebrate the cultural diversity of our school, the children are asked to come either dressed up in their national dress or in the colours of their national flag on Friday 4th March.  
Our School Book Fair will be also held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March. **Please note the change of date.**

**GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY:** The next draw is this Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February. 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.

## Parent/Governor Election

Both the infant and junior school will be holding parent governor elections after half term. Look out for more information in the coming weeks. If you want to find out more about being a governor click the link to the governor area on our website. <https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=Becoming+a+Governor&pid=268>

## Health and Safety Concern- Polite Request

I have requested, many times, that dogs are not brought at drop off and pick up times. I saw a dog actually in the playground today! Many children have expressed that they are frightened of the dogs in the confined space on Childs Walk. We also on a regular basis have to clean children's shoes as some dog owners are not cleaning up their dog mess from the verge areas along the paths. **This a now becoming a real health and safety concern. Please do not bring your dogs onto Childs Walk.**

Kind regards

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar - Head Teacher

