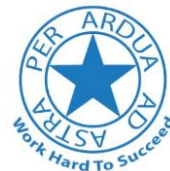




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11th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Food Collection to Help in Ukraine

Thank you for your donations. Our Ukrainian community greatly appreciate the support.

Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March

Next Friday we will be marking Red Nose Day and learning about the Comic Relief Charity. The theme this year is 'Crazy Hair'. The children are invited to have a crazy hair style, wear a wig, wear a hat or just do something different or decorative with their hair. Collection buckets will be in the playground in the morning for those who wish to donate to the charity. The children are expected to wear their uniform as normal on this day.

Curriculum Events and Assemblies

- **Science week:** The children have enjoyed the focus on science this week.
 - During 'Science Week' we like to introduce children to jobs using science. The week began with an engaging assembly led by Tom Baines, who works for 'Science Projects Limited' which is a charity that designs and makes science exhibitions that go all around the world. Tom described his journey to finding a job that combined his love of science with practical designing and making. The children were encouraged to think about what job they would like to do when they grow up. We also talked about how important it was to work hard at school in order to have choices later on in life.
 - All classes have taken part in six practical investigations in a science carousel led by our Year 6 House captains. The Year 6 children showed great scientific knowledge and leadership skills. In addition, all classes planted wild flower seeds in the vegetable garden this week.
- **Photography competition 'Nature':** To mark British Science Week and to encourage everyone to get out into nature, we are launching a nature photography competition. The photograph could be anything to do with nature: flowers, landscapes, birds, mammals, insects, water, weather, your own pets, trees etc. You can take your photograph using an ipad, phone or camera as long as your image is clear. You can submit up to 3 entries. Winning entries will be displayed at school.

Entries must be emailed to 6J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk by Friday 25th March.

Include your name, class and the title of each image.

Why not visit one of these local areas for inspiration:

Willifield Way	Big Wood	Little Wood	Hampstead Heath	Heath Extension
Golders Hill Park	Waterlow Park	Highgate Cemetery	Primrose Hill	Fryent Park
Welsh Harp Reservoir	London Zoo	Kew Gardens		

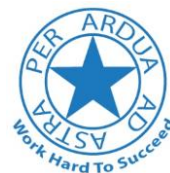
- **Egg Decorating Competition 2022 'International Egg':** To celebrate the cultural diversity of our school, the theme this year is 'International Egg'. This could include flags, maps, national dress, food ...be creative! Remember a **hardboiled egg** or an egg that has been blown should be used.
It should be labelled with:
 - Your child's name and class
 - The title of the egg





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Prizes will be awarded in all classes

Remember it is **how the egg is decorated** rather than the accessories around it that will be judged!

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>

Class Assemblies

Well done 4J for their fabulous assembly this week on the theme of gender equality. This was a great way to celebrate 'International Woman Day' as well.

Year 5 class Assemblies

Please see the dates for the Year 5 class assemblies which will take place in the school hall at 2:30pm on the following dates:

5S Tuesday 29th March

5G Tuesday 26th April

5J Tuesday 24th May

SATs and Year 6 School Journey meeting- Wednesday March 16th at 6pm

As you know, your children will be sitting statutory SATS tests in May (9-12 May). In order to prepare for this, we would like to invite you to an information evening on Wednesday March 16th at 6pm. We will be discussing how we are already preparing the children at school, what the expectations are over the next few weeks and the timetable for the week of tests, as well as giving you an explanation of how the results are presented in July. You will have an opportunity to look at the format of the papers and some example questions from past SATS papers to support you in helping your child at home.

We will also be discussing Year 6 School Journey which will take place the week after the SATs (16-20th May). There will be a presentation of all the details needed to prepare your child for this very exciting trip. It is extremely important that all parents/carers attend.

Parent/Teacher Consultations: Wednesday 23rd March 3:40pm-6:30pm **OR** Monday 28th March

You will be able to book your appointment with your child's teacher next week. Look out for the Parentmail invitation on Wednesday 16th March. You can do this in your Parentmail App, clicking on the index and then pressing the Parents Evenings option (as listed). This will be an opportunity for you to have a 10-minute meeting with your child's class teacher, in their classroom. Before meeting the teacher, you will be able to take some time to look through your child's books outside the classroom.

We are delighted that we are still able to invite parents into school for these very important meetings.

GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY: The next draw is this Saturday 12th March. 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.

Kind regards

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar - Head Teacher

