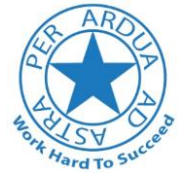


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15th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Health and Safety Notice

A rare, serious RED weather alert has been issued for London and the South East for this coming week, ending no earlier than Tuesday night. It is expected that the capital will see record temperatures. A red warning is exceptionally rare and states that substantial changes to work practices will be required.

Given the exceptional nature of this heat, we MAY need to close the school at 1.30pm on Monday.

If we do, we will inform you via Parentmail by 11am on the day.

Please ensure you have someone available to collect your child. I am sorry we cannot give a clearer indication of what will happen on Monday, due to the possibility of changes over the weekend.

Equally, if you feel that the heat will be too much for your child, or for the person who brings or collects them from school, the absence will be authorised if you choose to keep them at home, in light of this high risk event. You must email welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net if you will be keeping your child at home.

In school, we will be applying the following precaution:

- We are asking parents to ensure their child has a hat, and has applied sun cream before the children come to school in the morning.
- They can wear their PE t-shirt and shorts, if this is cooler than their regular school clothing. Shoulders must be covered, to protect from the sun.
- We will shorten playtimes, to keep the children out of the sun. We will be keeping in the shade or inside as much as possible.
- We will be encouraging the children to drink plenty of water – please make sure they have their water bottles with them. They can refill them throughout the day as needed.
- We will be keeping all our classroom doors and windows open.
- We will not have any vigorous sporting activities.

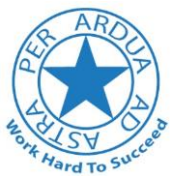
Parent Governor Election

We have received two nominations for the position of Parent Governor for the Junor school, so we are holding a ballot this week. Today, your child will bring home a ballot paper for EACH parent to complete. Please return these in the envelope provided, by Friday 22nd July at 1.30pm. Ballot boxes will be on the gate and near the downstairs reception.

End of Year Report

Your child's end of year report was sent home on Monday. Please check your child's school bag if you have not yet received it.





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Boccia Festival

On Thursday, ten students from Year 4-5 and travelled to Brookland to take part in a boccia festival. Boccia is a sport - similar to bowls and petanque - that involves throwing balls with skill and precision. The children took part in teams and had to think tactically in order to compete successfully against the opposition. The morning was a huge success with students from both schools showing excellent teamwork and sportsmanship.

Transition

If your child will not be continuing with us next year, please email Ms Bailey on office@gsjs.barnetmail.net in order for us to put the necessary transition arrangements in place.

Year 6 parents should keep us informed about the secondary school that their children will be moving on to. Please note - if there are any last minute changes, it is very important to let us know so that school records can be forwarded to the correct school next week.

Year 6 Production

Well done to the Year 6 children for their excellent engagement and participation in their production of Westside Story. Throughout the rehearsals the children developed skills in music, drama and dance. In addition, the collaboration and team spirit involved in the production greatly contributed to their confidence, emotional health and wellbeing. The staff involved in this production have been at school until 8:00pm both nights in a row and I am extremely thankful and proud of both the children and staff for this tremendous achievement.

Violin and Brass Concert Wednesday 20th July 2:00pm

There will be a concert for the parents in the Junior School hall.

Staffing News

Mrs Lovatt and Miss Miley, who job share a class, will be leaving the school at the end of the academic year. Miss Quinn and Miss Childs will be returning from maternity leave in September.

Non Uniform days

On Monday all Y3 and Y4 children do not need to wear their uniform so that those going to the disco will not need to change.

On Tuesday all Y5 and Y6 children do not need to wear their uniform so that those going to the disco will not need to change.

Last day of Term Friday 22nd July - Early Closure

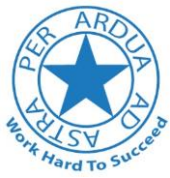
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Year 3 and 4 – finish at 1.30pm

Year 5 and 6 – finish at 1.40pm

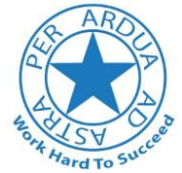
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We are going to try and go ahead with the discos, unless the school has to close, and we will be taking the following precautions due to the weather warning.

- Ait conditioning units and fans are being placed in the hall
- Water stations and cool off places will be identified
- Dancing will be limited if necessary
- Ice water and ice lollies will be available
- If we have to cancel we will inform you on the day

Years 3 & 4 Monday 18th July 3:30pm - 5:00pm

Years 5 & 6 Tuesday 19th July 3:30pm - 5:00pm

*Tickets will **not** be issued - your child's name will be on the door list and an **entrance bracelet** will be handed to your child on the day of the disco.*

Children can bring pocket money £2 to £4 is plenty.

The following items will be available:

Glitter Face (glitter on one side of forehead down in a swoosh) is £1

Glitter Stencil tattoo is £1

Transfer tattoos depending on size are 2 for £1

Assortment of glow items £1

There will be a photo booth next to the glitter station. FOR FREE! This is optional. Children can have photos taken with friends if they would like to. Images will be uploaded to Showbie at a later date. Think of it as a souvenir of the disco and especially great for Year 6 leavers.

The PTA are serving watermelon, cucumber, walkers crisps, choice of salt and vinegar or plain, cupcake and mini chocolate (nut free). Gluten free and dairy free, to replace cupcakes and chocolate, will be available for the few that need that option.

GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY: The next draw is this Saturday 16th July. 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

