



Garden Suburb Junior School

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6th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the new academic year!

I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to all of the new families who have joined the school. The children have made a great start to the new academic year and we are proud of them all.

We were fortunate to have secured funding from the local authority to have our playground resurfaced during the summer holidays.

As the weather is now becoming more unpredictable, please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat every day.

Secondary Transfer and School Journey

Meeting for Year 6 Parents Tuesday 13th September 6:00pm-7:15m

Year 6 parents are invite to attend a talk on secondary transfer and the residential school journey to the Isle of Wight in the Junior hall.

Parent/Teacher Consultations – Save the date

There will be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher on the following dates

Tuesday 20th September 3:40pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 22nd September 3:40pm – 6:30pm

An invitation to book an appointment will be sent out later this week.

Making contact with the school

We always like to hear from parents and carers in our community but would ask that all **non-urgent** messages be sent to the school by email and directed to the following contacts below:

Welfare, attendance, absence, pick-up arrangements Mrs Morgan Chiswick,

welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net

Senco Support: Mrs Goldman - senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net

Other messages and to contact the Head Teacher please email Ms Bailey, our business manager: -
office@gsjs.barnetmail.net





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Class teachers

Miss Clarke 3S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Ms N Aziz 3G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Hovell 3J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Ms Siddiq 4S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Mr Miller 4J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Manktelow 4G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Mrs Margolis 5S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Mr McGwinn 5G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss S Levin 5J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss J Gardner 6G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Childs/Miss Quinn 6S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss H Buck 6J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

Attendance

School starts at 8:55am and your child is late if they arrive after this time.

Mrs Morgan-Chiswick manages attendance and she should be informed by email welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net, before 9am, if your child is not well enough to attend school.

Please also email the school, in advance, should you need to request absences for any other reason e.g. for religious festivals, school visits and medical appointments.

The end of the school day:

Y3 and Y4 – 3:20pm

Y6 and Y6 – 3:25pm

Safeguarding

For safeguarding reasons, parents are asked to wait until all children have been dismissed before trying to talk to the class teacher.

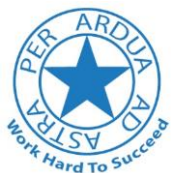
We will soon have our designated 'parent waiting area' painted on the playground to support with ensuring the safety of your children.

Please ensure that children do not scoot or ride their bikes in the playground.

Lone Travellers

Parents need to complete a 'Lone Travelling' form if children are travelling to or from school without an adult. This is only permitted for Y5 and Y6 pupils. Please request this from Mrs Morgan-Chiswick welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net





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Mobile Phones

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School Uniform

Children should start the school day looking clean and smart and wearing the correct uniform. Class teachers monitor uniform very closely. Please ensure that hair clips etc., are in school colours and not too decorative. Socks and tights should also be in the correct school colours. Full details of our uniform can be found on the website:

<http://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=244>

PE Kit – It is important you make a note of your child's PE days

When your child has PE, **they need to come into school wearing their PE kit**. They will wear it for the whole day. If you have not yet purchased the new PE Kit, please ensure that your child wears plain blue coloured track suit bottoms (no branded kit). Our aim is that over time everyone will purchase the new kit, as they will get a lot of wear out of it.

Year 3 Monday and Wednesday

Year 4 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6: 6G Wednesday and Friday

6S Wednesday and Friday

6J Thursday and Friday

Funtime - Breakfast and After-School Clubs

Funtime is open for both breakfast and after school club. Due to the fact that we have to limit our group sizes, all places **MUST** be booked in advance. For more information please contact Sharon on 07506 030 037 or email Shaz.Funtime@outlook.com

Extra- Curricular Activities

Extra-curricular Activities will start week beginning 13th September 2022

Look out for the enrolment emails tomorrow.

Football Year 4 and Year 4	Monday
Football Year 5 and Year 6	Tuesday
Taekwondo Year 3 and Year 4	Tuesday
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High 5 (Netball) Year 5 and Year 6	Thursday





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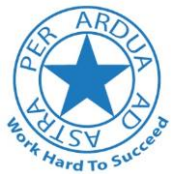
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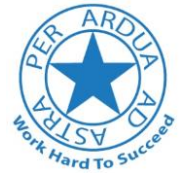
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Spanish Year 5 and Year 6	Thursday
Gymnastics (all Year groups)	Friday

Lunch time clubs Chess clubs, Choir, Orchestra

School Lunches

Mrs Morgan Chiswick, our Welfare Assistant administers school lunch monies:

- Payment must be made online through your ParentMail account (Payments>Shop)
- Lunch money should always be paid in advance. Credits are made to your account if your child is absent from school.
- Parents are politely requested to ensure that they do not allow their lunch accounts to fall into arrears. The cost of school lunch is **£11.70 per week**
£81.90 for the first half of the Autumn Term
£161.46 for the full term
- Free School Meals: If you think that you are eligible, please contact Ms Bailey in the school office to apply.

ParentMail

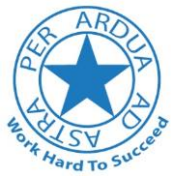
Newsletters will be sent electronically **every Friday by email** - please look out for them!

ParentMail is used for all other communication from the school, including emergency messages regarding school closures etc., either by text, or by email. It is your responsibility to keep your ParentMail account updated with any contact detail changes by logging into your 'Settings'. **Please remember to also notify the school office with changes in contact details for our own records system.**

If you need any help activating or logging in to your account, please contact Ms Bailey in the school office as soon as possible.

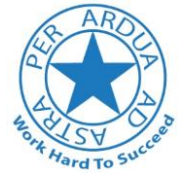
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A reminder to both existing and new parents who have not yet contributed this year: we do appreciate the contribution of £20 per family per year, towards the school fund. This money is spent in various ways for classroom extras. **You will find the item available to pay in your ParentMail shop under Donations > School Fund (Juniors).**

GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY: The next draw is this Saturday 10th September 2022, 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

The staff and I look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the year.

Yours sincerely

E. Bhavsar

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher

