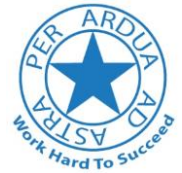


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9th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

This has been a busy and successful first week.

We are really pleased with how the children are settling into their new classes. There will be an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher at consultations during the week beginning the 19th September.

Parent/Teacher Consultations – Save the date

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

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

An invitation to book an appointment will be sent out on Monday.

Assemblies and curriculum Events

- Assemblies this week have focused on finding something to be proud of each day.
- Singing is something that suffered during the pandemic. We are pleased that we are now able to gather to have a whole school singing practice on Thursdays. It was lovely to hear the whole school singing together.
- Following the sad news yesterday, today we focused on the life of Queen Elizabeth II in class assemblies. We will focus more on our queen next week and the historical importance of her reign and the end of an era.

Barnet Council issued a press release last night. [Barnet marks the passing of Her Majesty The Queen | Barnet Council](#)

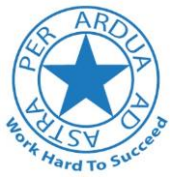
Details of the Proclamation from the Palace and locally will be made available on the Barnet website when they are confirmed.

A book of condolence will be open at Hendon Town Hall so that people can pay their respects. This will be open from Monday 12 September, 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. It will remain open until 5pm the day after the funeral.

As well as the book of condolence available at the Town Hall there is an e-condolence book if people wish to sign they can visit <https://www.royal.uk/>

Members of the public can now lay flowers and other appropriate memorials on the grassed area in front of Hendon Town Hall. In the likely event of space becoming limited, tributes will be moved overnight to the main entrance outside Hendon Park, Queens Road, Hendon, NW4 2TJ.





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Second Hand Uniform Sale

A huge thank you to Natalie and all the volunteers who ran the sales this week especially considering the changeable weather. The sale was a great success and we hope you were able to pick up a bargain!

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.

Parenting Support

Last tem we held a workshop for parents focusing on supporting your child's emotional health. We received very positive feedback about this session. Parents requested that more parenting support sessions be organised.

We have been able to arrange some additional sessions to support parents.

Please see attached information regarding a series of parent workshops we are holding in school in partnership with the Early Help Team in Barnet. The workshops are on managing your child's emotions and behaviours.

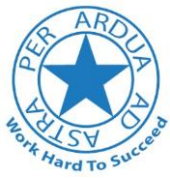
The first workshop will be held on **Monday 19th October at 9:15am in the Junior Hall**. Please email Mrs. Goldman at senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net if you would like to attend or would like more information.

School Lunches

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

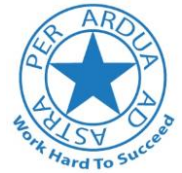
- Payment must be made online through your ParentMail account (Payments>Shop)
- Lunch money should always be paid in advance. Credits are made to your account if your child is absent from school.
- Parents are politely requested to ensure that they do not allow their lunch accounts to fall into arrears. 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.





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School Fund

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

Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat in school, unfortunately summer is over!

Yours sincerely

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar | Head Teacher

