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Dear Parents/Carers 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023

#### **Diary Dates Autumn Term 2023**

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October- Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Residential School Journey to the Isle of Wight
October	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	PTA Meeting
9:00am in the Junior Hall	Everyone who is interested in being involved is welcome to attend.
	Half Term
1	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October- Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Details of our childcare club Funtin</b>	ne are listed below for those who need child care during the half term.
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY – School closed to the children
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Y6 Shakespeare Workshops
Junior Hall	Romeo and Juliet
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 Visit Hampton Court
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Charity Day
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	PTA Fund Raising Event- Seasonal Fair
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Seasonal Jumper Day
Thursday 21st December	Last Day of term – Non uniform Day
	Early Closure 1:25pm Y3 and Y4 1:30pm Y5 and Y6
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of the Spring Term

### **PTA**

Our next PTA meeting is **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** at 9:00am- everyone who is interested in being involved is welcome to attend. To email the PTA <a href="mailto:gardenjpta@gmail.com">gardenjpta@gmail.com</a>

## **Online Safety**

It is essential that parents are aware that children need to be protected from viewing inappropriate material online. This also includes, news channels, Youtube, Tik Tok and Instagram. Due to the international situation and the activity of hacking groups, we are getting reports of distressing images appearing on sites that children may have access to. Children should never have unsupervised access to anything online. Lone travellers who may have a mobile phone should not have access to viewing material online. Parental controls must be used to protect children.

Please see the link below to a very useful site to support parents. <a href="https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/">https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/</a>

## Safety at pick up

Please help us to keep your children safe at the end of the day by noting the following:

- Remain in the parent waiting area identified by the red line across the playground
- Do not allow your children to play on the climbing equipment
- Supervise your children carefully, especially younger children
- Do not allow your children to scoot or ride their bikes in the playground
- After collecting your child leave the playground promptly. For safeguarding, we cannot allow parents to wait in the playground.















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### **Assemblies and Curriculum Events**

- Y5 Windrush Workshops: On Monday, Y5 took part in a Windrush workshop. They explored the hopes, fears, expectations and actual experiences of individuals who travelled on the Windrush, using drama and role-play. The children developed their historical understanding by reflecting on the impact of community change and issues of racism. The session helped support the children's understanding of the growth of London into a multicultural city during the 20th century.
- World Mental Health Day: Assembly focused on mental health and what the children can do if they are worried about something.
- Y6 Fake News Workshops: Protecting children from the risk of radicalisation is part of our safeguarding duties, and is similar in nature to protecting children from other harms (e.g. drugs, gangs, neglect, sexual exploitation), whether these come from within their family or are the product of outside influences. The Barnet Prevent Officer, Amelicah Clarke, provided engaging workshops for the Y6 pupils on Thursday. She discussed various forms of social media and the dangers of online chats. She discussed with the children how easy it was to pretend to be someone else on line and how strategies, such as using flattery, can lead children to disclose information about themselves that could be dangerous. Ask your children what they learnt in these sessions.
- Poetry Writing Competition: Write a poem with the theme 'Refuge'. The deadline is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>
   November. There will be a prize for a winner in each class. This would be a lovely project for half term.
- Y6 Residential School Journey: The children leave on Monday for the Isle of Wight. Mrs Berger, Mr Morrissey, Miss Gardener, Mrs Margolis, Miss Clarke, Miss Bramall, Miss Micale and Miss de Witt will be attending the trip. The trip would not be able to go ahead without the support and commitment of our hardworking staff. They are on duty day and night throughout the week. Thank you everyone!

The children need to be at school for 8:00am and will be leaving at 9:00am. All parents are asked to avoid parking on Willifield way on Monday morning to avoid obstructing the coaches.

**Amazon Wish List**: Please see the link below for our Amazon Wishlist. We would be so grateful if you could purchase one of these books for your child's class. The list features lots of high-quality, age-appropriate books which reflect diversity in genres, authors and characters.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/24AGPETJO56RO

**Coats:** The weather is now unpredictable so please ensure that your child always brings a coat to school.

Please note some general information below.

Kind regards

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar Head Teacher















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#### **Extra- Curricular Activities**

Football Year 3 and Year 4 Monday Football Year 5 and Year 6 Tuesday Taekwondo (all year groups) Tuesday Dance Club (all year groups) Wednesday High 5 (Netball) Year 5 and Year 6 **Thursday** Spanish Year 5 and Year 6 **Thursday Gymnastics (all Year groups)** Monday/Friday

**Lunch time clubs** Chess club -Thursday **Lower School Choir** - Tuesday **Upper School Choir** - Thursday

### 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 Thursday **Year 4** Tuesday and Wednesday Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6: 6G Wednesday and Friday 6S Wednesday and Friday

**6J** Thursday and Friday

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

## 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 - <a href="mailto:senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net">senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net</a>

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**

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Ms James 55@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

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Miss J Gardner 6G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

Miss Miss Quinn 6J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

Miss H Buck 6S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

## Funtime - Breakfast and After-School Clubs (ChildCare)

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 and paid for in advance. For more information please contact Sharon on 07506 030 037 or email <a href="mailto:Shaz.Funtime@outlook.com">Shaz.Funtime@outlook.com</a>

#### **Fees**

3:20pm - 5:50pm £12 3:20pm - 4:30pm £6:00

Breakfast club 7:50am- 8:45am - £4:00











