



# Garden Suburb Junior School

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26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

## PTA Meeting

Thank you to those who attended the PTA meeting today. **The Summer Fair** is our next exciting fundraising event. Save the date – **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 12:00pm- 3:00pm**. More details will follow over the coming weeks.

We also discussed online safety and mobile phone usage and even considered developing a parental agreement that would help our community work together to manage keeping our children safe. More details to follow on this. It is clear that many parents are finding it difficult to manage this ever changing technological world as well as the peer pressure that surrounds it. I would like to reassure parents that online safety messages permeate many aspects of our curriculum. We agreed that parent and pupil online safety workshops would be funded through the PTA to support our community further.

## Diary Dates Summer Term 2024

Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Dentist Talks to Y5
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>School Closure - Bank Holiday</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Barnet Athletics Festival
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 End of Key Stage 2 SATs
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk to School Week
<b>Half Term Holiday - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>INSET Day – School Closed to the Children</b>
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y4 Ancient Greece Day
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June- Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Money Week
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Anglo Saxon Day
Tuesday 11 June	Barnet Music Festival
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day – Parents invited to attend (More details to follow)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Reserve Sports Day in case of bad weather
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 Visit to Chiltern Open Air Museum to study The Stone Age
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 12:00pm-3:00pm</b>	<b>Summer Fair</b>
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 11:00am/7:00pm	Y6 Production – Parents invited to attend
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 1:00am/7:00pm	
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - early closure</b> 1:25pm Y3 and Y4 1:30pm Y5 and Y6	<b>Last Day of term - Children not required to wear uniform</b>

## Year 3 Class Assemblies – Save the date

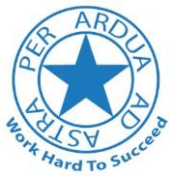
Parents invited to attend at 2:30pm in the Junior Hall:

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May - 3J**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May - 3S**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - 3G**





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## Information on Secondary Transfer for Y5 Parents

The dates for secondary school open days has been added to the website today.

The presentation on secondary transfer is also on the website with additional information.

<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/Default.asp?title=Secondary+Transfer&pid=250&action=saved>

## School Journey October 2024

The presentation on school journey has now been uploaded to the school journey page on the website.

<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/page/?title=School+Journey&pid=1760>

The deadline for the payment of the deposit is today. Please contact Ms Bailey if you need any support with payment [office@gsjs.barnetmail.net](mailto:office@gsjs.barnetmail.net)

## Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **Passover:** The Upper school assembly focused on the story of the Jewish festival of Passover and how it is celebrated. Ask your children if they can remember how the wicker basket, that is used for new born babies, got its name.
- **Friendship:** Lower school assembly focused on the qualities of being a good friend. Your children are to be congratulated on how welcoming and friendly they are when a new child joins their class.
- **Y5 Wonderdrome:** The children enjoyed workshops in an inflatable dome looking at the Solar System, how it all works together, the size of the planets as well as space exploration including the future moon landings.

For more details of our engaging curriculum see the latest news section of our website:

<https://www.gardensuburbjunior.co.uk/news/?pid=258&nid=2>

## Hampstead Garden Suburb Horticultural Society Competition- see flyer attached

Anyone interested in crafts and nature will be delighted to hear about this competition. They are requesting that young people interested in taking part register via the email [events@hortsoc.co.uk](mailto:events@hortsoc.co.uk) by the 6th June at the latest. This email is where templates can be requested if needed too.

The Hampstead Garden Suburb Horticultural Society will be featured at the RA Summer Fair on the 8th June in Central Square. All are invited to attend this family friendly show and marvel at the beautiful flower displays and prize-winning vegetables, help to judge the smelliest rose as well as just popping along for tea, cake, the raffle or to hear a brass band perform.

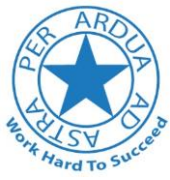
## Barnet Libraries Literary Festival Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 May at Finchley Church End Library

Please see the flyer attached for further details.

Kind regards

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Head Teacher





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Please see some additional information below

## Childcare- Funtime

IMPORTANT – Places must be booked in advance. For more information, please call Sharon on 07506 030037 or call in and see us in the dining hall on any school evening. Email [shaz.funtime@outlook.com](mailto:shaz.funtime@outlook.com)

## 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.

Spring Term

Year 3 Monday and Thursday

Year 4 Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6: 6G - Thursday and Friday

6S - Wednesday and Friday

6J - Wednesday and Friday

## 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](mailto:welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net)

**Senco Support:** Mrs Goldman - [senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net](mailto:senco@gsjs.barnetmail.net)

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

## Class teachers

Miss Hovell [3J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk](mailto:3J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk)

Miss Clarke [3S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk](mailto:3S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk)

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