



Garden Suburb Junior School

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8th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **High expectations:** It is important to have high expectations in all aspects of children's learning and behaviour. In Upper school assembly this week, having high expectations of yourself and always doing your best was discussed with the children. In particular, we are focusing on encouraging children to ensure that they are always doing their best with their handwriting and presentation of work in their books.
- **Remembrance:** The history of 'Remembrance Day' was discussed in assembly and the reason why poppies are worn at this time of year. The children also learnt about the story of John Parr, who lived in Lodge Lane, Finchley. He was the first British casualty in World War I. The whole school will be marking the silence together at 11:00am on 11th November next week.
- **Y6 Shakespeare Workshops:** The Year 6 children are studying the play 'Macbeth'. Today they enjoyed an interactive performance of the play. The actors were impressed with the children's engagement and knowledge about the play.

PTA – all parents are members of our PTA

Our next PTA meeting is Friday 15th November at 9:00am. All parents are welcome to attend. As well as discussing fund raising for the term I would like to discuss our Parent Code of Conduct. I have attached a copy for all parents to read. We want to review this Code of Conduct and I would appreciate any feedback from parents on the current version.

The date for the Annual General Meeting of the PTA will be Thursday 21st November at 9:00am

At this meeting there will be review of the years fundraising and the election of our new committee. All parents are welcome to attend this meeting.

Seasonal cards: The proofs were sent home this week along with the order forms. A range of gifts with your child's design can now be ordered through the ParentMail shop by **Wednesday 13th November.**

Seasonal Fair: Please see the email sent home today to register your interest to help with the Seasonal Fair. Please register your interest at gardenjpta@gmail.com ASAP!

Class Assemblies

All Y3, Y4 and Y5 classes will be presenting a class assembly to their parents over the year. The Y6 children will be performing their Y6 production at the end of the summer term.

This Year we are starting with the Y4 classes. The dates for the other year groups will be published in the Spring term. Please see below the dates for the **Year 4 Class Assemblies - Parents invited to attend at**

2:30pm in the Junior Hall:

4J Tuesday 26th November

4G Tuesday 10th December

4S Tuesday 17th December





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Diary Dates Autumn Term 2024

Friday 15th November 9:00am in the Junior Dinner Hall	PTA Meeting
Thursday 21st November 9:00am in the Infant School Hall	PTA Annual General Meeting
Friday 22nd November	Just One Tree Day – more details to follow
Monday 25th November	Y3 Visit Natural History Museum
Wednesday 27th November	Y5 Visit Hampton Court
Friday 13th December	PTA Fund Raising Event- Seasonal Fair (to be confirmed) We need volunteers of help for this event to take place!
Friday 13th December	Seasonal Jumper Day
Friday 20th December	Last Day of term – Non uniform Day Early Closure 1:25pm Y3 and Y4 1:30pm Y5 and Y6
Monday 6th January Children Back PLEASE NOTE - NO INSET DAY	Start of the Spring Term

PTA SECOND HAND UNIFORM

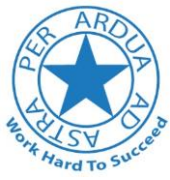
Thank you to Natalie and the team of volunteers for holding the second-hand uniform stall this afternoon – we hope that you were able to pick up some free uniform!

Kind regards

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar, Head Teacher

Please see some general information below





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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 Shaz.Funtime@outlook.com

Fees

3:20pm - 5:50pm £12

3:20pm - 4:30pm £6:00

Breakfast club 7:50am- 8:45am - £4:00

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

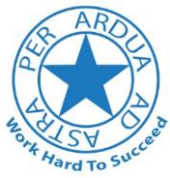
Other messages and to contact the Head Teacher please email Ms Bailey, our business manager: -
office@gsjs.barnetmail.net

Emails for class Teachers:

Year 3	
Miss Clarke	3S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Ms Aziz	3G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Jouhal	3J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 4	
Mr J Morrissey	4J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss J Childs (Job Share)	
Miss Walters	4S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss N McKenna	4G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 5	
Mrs K Margolis	5S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Bannan	5G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss C James	5J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 6	
Miss J Gardner	6S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss Fernando	6J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Mrs Narrainen	6G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

Please note: due to teaching commitments, class teachers may not be able to view or respond to emails on the day that they are sent. Urgent messages should go to Welfare or the school office.





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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

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

Extra- Curricular Activities

Gymnastics (all Year groups)	Monday
Football Year 3 and Year 4	Monday
Football Year 5 and Year 6	Tuesday
Taekwondo (all year groups)	Tuesday
Art Club Year 4	Tuesday
Art Club Year 5 and Year 6	Wednesday
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)	Friday

Lunch time clubs Chess clubs, Choir

