

Garden Suburb Junior School

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19th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

Junior Summer Fair Tomorrow: Saturday 20th June 12:00pm- 4:00pm

The weather forecast is good so it is set to be a great day bringing our school community together.

Please remember: all children have to be supervised by an adult whilst at the fair.

Tickets and tokens can be purchased on the day.

See attached some flyers for art classes from a company that has donated raffle prizes.

Staffing News

Mr Adolphe will also be retiring, following twenty-nine years of service to the school, managing our shared school premises as the school caretaker. He will be greatly missed. Mr Adolphe seems to be able to turn his hand to anything and is always on call when we need him. His presence on the gate every morning is always reassuring for our families and staff. He is also a Mealtime Supervisor in the junior school. Both the Infant school and the Junior school are collecting for a joint gift. Should you wish to contribute to a leaving gift for Mr Adolphe, please put your donation into an envelope marked 'Leaving Gift for Mr Adolphe'. You or your child can hand it in at the school office.

Parents Meet the Teacher Events

In a few weeks, you will receive a communication informing you of your child's teacher for next year. There will also be an opportunity for you to meet them too at **9:10am -9:40am** on the following days:

- **Year 3** parents to meet their child's Y4 Teacher: Monday 6th July
- **Year 5** parents to meet their child's Y6 Teacher: Monday 13th July
- **Year 4** parents to meet their child's Y5 Teacher: Tuesday 14th July

Sports Days - Finals of the sprints and relays and year group races Friday 26th June 9:15am-12:00pm

Well done everyone for the fabulous participation in our multi sports event today. Thank you to parents for coming to cheer on the children. Well done too to the staff for surviving the heat!

Don't forget that the finals and year group races are next Friday. The heats have taken place during PE lessons. Your child will let you know if they are in a final and they should have been given a letter. All of children will take part in an additional event:

Y3 and Y4 - Egg and Spoon Race.

Y5 and Y6 - Obstacle Race

Please note the following:

- The children are expected to wear school PE Kit for all events
- Please apply sunscreen to your child in the morning before they leave home
- Ensure that your child has a hat and a water bottle
- Parents should not bring hot drinks into the playground

Little Voices Summer Camp

See attached a flyer for a Little Voices summer camp to be held at the Infant School.





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Assemblies and Curriculum Events

- **Y5 Anglo Saxon Day:** The children were immersed in history during 'Off The Page' engaging historical workshops. They experienced life as it would have been lived by those in Britain in the year 878 AD through practical activities and role play. The children spent the day in character exploring and participating in a range of cross-curricular activities and crafts.
- **Barnet Music Festival:** The Upper School Choir performed at the Barnet Music Festival this week, held at the Arts Depot. It was a long day as the children and staff attended a rehearsal from 1:00pm for a performance at 7:00pm-8:30pm. The children had spent time during the Spring Term learning songs that they performed with a mass choir made up from other Barnet primary schools. Their individual performance of the song 'Scarborough Fair' was fabulous! Thank you too to Music Co-ordinator, Mr Silverman, Miss Fernandez who attended the afternoon rehearsal and Mrs Shah for supporting with supervision of the children, at this evening event.
- **Talk on Tuesday'** is an initiative to encourage discussion. The theme this week: **'What sport would you like to try that you haven't yet. Why?'**

Diary Dates Summer Term 2026

Sports day – Time change Friday 26 th June 9:15- 12:00pm	Parents invited to attend (More details above) Finals of track races
Saturday 20 th June 12:00pm-3:00pm	PTA Summer Fair
Monday 22 nd June	Class Photos
Friday 26 th June - New date	Piano concert for parents - Mr Watson's pupils.
Tuesday 30 th June	Barnet Athletics Festival
Thursday 2 nd July 1:30pm-2:30pm	Merry go round Children meet their teacher for the new academic year
Tuesday 7 th July 11:00am/7:00pm Wednesday 8 ^h July 11:00am/7:00pm	Y6 Production – Parents invited to attend
Monday 13 th July 2:30pm – 3:15pm	Violin Concert
Monday 13 th July 6:00pm-7:30pm	Y6 Leavers Disco
Wednesday 15 th July 9:10am- 9:45am	Choir and Ukulele
Friday 17 th July	Last Day of term - Children not required to wear uniform early closure 1:25pm Y3/ Y4 1:30pm Y5 /Y6

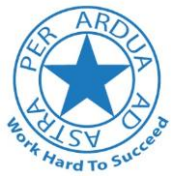
Kind regards

E. Bhavsar

Mrs Eileen Bhavsar /Head Teacher

Please see below some general Information for Parents





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National Survey for Children – The Big Future

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza is holding a national survey, The Big Future. All children and young people are invited to take part. The survey can be accessed by parents for their child to complete by clicking the link below:

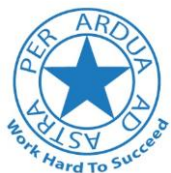
<http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

Parent Survey: Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS)

We have taken part in the PINS project this year which is funded by NHS England in partnership with the Department of Education, Department for Health and Social Care and the National Network of Parent Carer Forums (NNPCF). The purpose of the project was to improve the experience of mainstream school for children who may have an additional educational need. The information from the survey will be used to understand the impact of the PINS project. The survey is for all parents and carers of children attending schools participating in the project. It will be open until Friday 26th June.

Survey Link: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=uWikGxQUdUa-T1PEeK1Hu2irPzlm10ROkKusTf8fTRpURVg0VVFaOFNNMDIWRUtWMIVMRFFaQlpDMY4u&route=shorturl>





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Arbor– Keep informed!

If you need any help activating or logging in to your account, please contact the school office as soon as possible: admin@gsjs.barnetmail.net.

Newsletters will be sent electronically **every Friday by email** - please look out for them! Arbor 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 Arbor account updated with any contact detail changes. **Please remember to also notify the school office with changes in contact details for our own records system.**

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.** All Y5 and Y6 children will bring home a Lone Traveller form to complete on Tuesday. Forms can be requested from Mrs Alvares welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net if arrangements change throughout the year.

Mobile Phones

Most schools now are **not** allowing pupils to bring in mobile phones for safeguarding reasons. Exceptional circumstances will be considered for Y5/Y6 pupils and a request should be put in writing using our 'Mobile Phone Parental Request Form'. Smart phones with cameras and access to the internet will not be permitted.

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 school 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 Wednesday and Friday

Secondary Transfer and School Journey

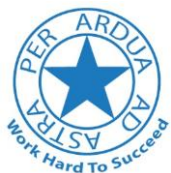
Information on secondary transfer is on the website at:

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

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:





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Emails for class Teachers: 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.

Class Teacher	Email
Year 3	
Miss I Clarke (Year Group Leader)	3S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Ms N Aziz	3G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 4	
Mr J Morrissey (Year Group Leader and Assistant Head)	
Ms C James	4J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss E Woods	4S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss P Bowry	4G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 5	
Mrs K Margolis (Year Group Leader)	5S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss E Bannan	5G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss B O'Connor	5J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Year 6	
Mrs L Berger (Year Group Leader and Deputy Head)	
Miss J Jouhal	6G@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss N Fernando	6S@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk
Miss H Buck/Miss G Atkinson	6J@gsjs.barnet.sch.uk

Welfare, attendance, absence, pick-up arrangements Mrs Alvares, welfare@gsjs.barnetmail.net

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

Clubs, Arbor queries and Free School Meals enquiries - admin@gsjs.barnetmail.net

Other messages and to contact the Head Teacher or a member of the Leadership Team please email Ms Bailey, our Business Manager: - office@gsjs.barnetmail.net

