

# Gordon School News

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## EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Well done to all of the children who attended the *Writing on a Wall* award ceremony at Eltham Library on Monday! It was lovely to see so many Gordon children being celebrated! The children in Year 4 visited the Tate Modern on Tuesday and had a great time looking at different types of art in the gallery. We hope the parents who came along to Wednesday's coffee morning with the School Nurse found it useful. Well done to the children who travelled to school via the Walking Bus on Thursday. The School Nursing Service came in today, carrying out health checks with the children in Year 6.

## WHEELS TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May is Wheels to School Day! Help your child to win their class a free breakfast provided by the Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTA's) and served by Mr Taylor, Mrs Black and Mrs Cuesta!

Every child who travels to school by bicycle, skateboard, scooter or roller skates on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May will earn points. The class with the most points will win a Bikers' Breakfast for a day during the following week. Even parking your car a ten minute walk away and then scooting to school will count! Good luck!

## FRIENDS OF THE GORDON (PTA)

Your support of FoG is vital to our fundraising success and we would like to thank everyone who has attended the events we have held so far this year. We have three very exciting FoG events planned for this term:

- Junior Cake Sale (Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May)
- Sponsored Run (Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June)
- Barbeque & Disco (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July)

More information will be coming soon so please look out for future newsletters.

## DATA PROTECTION

You may be aware that the law is changing regarding data protection and the *General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)* will be coming into force on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. We are busy working on this and we will be sending out information over the next few weeks. We will be updating our *Pupil and Parent Information and Permissions* documents so please look out for them and return them promptly so we know we have accurate information for every family.

## POLLING STATION

The Sports Hall will be used as a polling station for local elections next Thursday. The school will be open as usual, although there will be no access to the playground via the gate on Craigton Road as this will be used by the public entering the Sports Hall to vote.

The new gate that has been installed between the car park and the Sports Hall will be locked throughout the day so that no children can leave the premises and the public cannot walk off the street and into the playground.

**Please remember to use the gates on Grangehill Road and Earlshall Road on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Thank you.**

## SCHOOL MEALS

We would like to remind you that from next Monday, school meals will cost £2.20 per day and £11 per week. Please see the letter we sent out at the end of last term for full details of why we have had to make this change. Thank you.

## PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES

Many thanks go to everyone who returned the questionnaire and shared their views with us. It was very useful to know which aspects of school life you are pleased with as well as hearing suggestions about how we can make further improvements. We are compiling a response for you and plan to send it out next week.

## YEAR 6 LEAVERS' DISCO

The Year 6 Leavers' Disco will be taking place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July. The deadline for buying a ticket is Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April. If your Year 6 child wants to attend but you have not yet bought a ticket, please do so by Monday. Thank you.

## CALENDAR

### MAY

Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 3 visit to the Royal Observatory
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Local Elections in the Sports Hall (school open)
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wheels to School
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday – school closed
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	School Photographer – class shots
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Retriever Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm
14 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATs
21 <sup>st</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup>	Gordon Exhibition
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Open Afternoon – 2pm to 5pm
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Cake Sale
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term

### JUNE

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Corgi Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm Year 6 Yearbook Photographs
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day for Years 1 and 2, 9am to 12pm Swimming Gala Heats – girls, morning
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6, 9am to 12pm
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Gala Heats – boys, morning Year 3 visit to Woodlands Farm School Nurse Coffee Morning, 9am
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 trip - Junior Citizen
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>FoG Sponsored Run</b> Red Setter Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	Collie Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm Swimming Gala Final, 6pm

### JULY

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 4 Concert, 2pm
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 visit to the Museum of London New Reception Welcome Meetings, 9:30am / 2pm
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day for Nursery and Reception, 9am to 12pm
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Picnic, 12pm
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Closed – welcome meetings for new families Steel Band perform, 3:30pm
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	Band perform, 3:30pm
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Reports distributed
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FoG Family Barbeque &amp; Disco</b>
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production, 6pm
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Disco, 7pm
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of the Summer Term

## ATTENDANCE

Well done to Beagle, Corgi and St Bernard classes for their great attendance last week. As a school, we hit our target of 97% attendance for the week. Let's keep it up!

**WELL DONE**

## PUPIL COMMENDATIONS

**Alsatian (N):** Ayima for great progress with sounds and numbers

**Basset (R):** Harrison for excellent writing

**Beagle (R):** Emily for brilliant map drawing and labelling

**Corgi (1):** Evan for his enthusiasm for the class's Dinosaur topic

**Collie (1):** Sonny for making a fantastic effort in all areas of the curriculum

**Dachshund (2):** Harry R for an amazing improvement in his handwriting

**Dalmatian (2):** Gwendoline for a brilliant attitude to her learning

**Great Dane (3):** Lorna for working hard in maths

**Greyhound (3):** Oliver for a huge improvement in his handwriting

**Pointer (4):** Daniel for great effort with decimals in maths

**Pug (4):** Brooklyn for super effort in maths this week

**Red Setter (5):** Nojus for his contributions to whole class discussions on the class book

**Retriever (5):** Lewis for his fantastic work in maths and his great attitude to learning

**St. Bernard (6):** Lee for his fantastic explanations on how to solve maths problems

**Spaniel (6):** Felicity for working hard to solve problems in maths

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