

Gordon School News

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EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Year 3 visited the Royal Observatory on Wednesday. They had a fantastic time exploring shadows and sundials as part of their science learning.

Today saw our *Wheels to School* initiative and we were overwhelmed by the response! So many children arrived by cycle, scooter or skates that we ran out of tickets. Never fear – we will include all children who came to school by wheels in the class totals even if they didn't receive a ticket. The winning class will be announced next week.

HOW TO REPORT ILLEGAL PARKING

Despite many requests, parking continues to be an issue outside the school. From next week we will be reporting illegal parking to the local authority. You also can report parking offences. The following information is from the Royal Borough of Greenwich website:

If you become aware of persistent or ongoing illegal parking, let us know.

What to report

You should provide details of:

- *the location*
- *the type of offence*
- *when the offence is occurring.*

Information like this is particularly helpful so that we can send a civil enforcement officer to visit the location at a time when the offence is likely to be occurring.

How to report

You can report the offence by telephone, email or letter to Parking Services:

020 8921 4339

parking@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

**Fourth Floor,
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
London, SE18 6HQ**

CLUB VACANCIES

Gymnastics, Year 1 to Year 6. Monday 8am.

Football, Year 1 to Year 6. Thursday, 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

Please contact the office if your child is interested. Fees apply.

GORDON ELECTIONS

As part of our work on British Values, we have been talking about democracy this week. Yesterday, we held an election with the children voting for the theme for next year's class names.

We set up voting booths in the Middle Hall and turned it into a polling station. Some of the Year 6 pupils acted as Presiding Officers who were responsible for conducting the ballot fairly. They checked the children's voting cards and explained the voting process to them. Finally, once all votes had been cast they counted the ballot papers.

The children have decided that the theme for class names for next year will be:

PRECIOUS STONES

Here's how the votes were cast:

• Precious Stones	112
• Animals	63
• Cars	53
• Sea Creatures	44
• Butterflies	33
• Elements / Chemicals	21
• Weather	18
• Countries	15
• Musicians	15
• Constellations	14
• Cities	13
• Tube Stations	13
• Famous Women	9

QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK

As we outlined in the letter we sent home yesterday, we have arranged a few events in response to your comments. Please see the dairy dates overleaf for more details.

BANK HOLIDAY

Please remember that Monday is a Bank Holiday and the school is closed.

CALENDAR

MAY

Mon 7 th	Bank Holiday – school closed
Wed 9 th	School Photographer – class shots
Fri 11 th	Basset Class Spring Walk
14 th to 17 th	Retriever Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm Year 6 SATs
Wed 16 th	Clip & Climb session for Greyhound Class
Fri 18 th	School Meals Taster Session for Parents, 3pm
21 st to 25 th	Gordon Exhibition
Wed 23 rd	Open Afternoon – 2pm to 5pm
Thurs 24 th	Junior Cake Sale
Mon 28 th	Half Term

JUNE

Mon 4 th	Children return to school
Fri 8 th	Corgi Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm Year 6 Yearbook Photographs
Mon 11 th	Sports Day for Years 1 and 2, 9am to 12pm Swimming Gala Heats – girls, morning
Tues 12 th	Sports Day for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6, 9am to 12pm
Wed 13 th	Swimming Gala Heats – boys, morning Year 3 visit to Woodlands Farm School Nurse Coffee Morning, 9am
Fri 15 th	Meet the SEN Governor, 1pm to 2:30pm
Tues 19 th	Year 6 trip - Junior Citizen
Fri 22 nd	Red Setter Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm
Fri 29 th	Collie Class Assembly, 9:10am / 3pm Swimming Gala Final, 6pm

JULY

Mon 2 nd	Year 4 Concert, 2pm
Thurs 5 th	Year 6 visit to the Museum of London New Reception Welcome Meetings, 9:30am / 2pm
Fri 6 th	Sports Day for Nursery and Reception, 9am to 12pm
Sat 7 th	New Reception Picnic, 12pm
Mon 9 th	Nursery Closed – welcome meetings for new families Steel Band perform, 3:30pm
Tues 10 th	Band perform, 3:30pm
Thurs 12 th	Annual Reports distributed
Tues 17 th	Year 6 Production, 6pm
Wed 18 th	Nursery visit to the Environmental Centre
Thurs 19 th	Year 6 Disco, 7pm
Fri 20 th	End of the Summer Term

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Collie, Greyhound and Retriever classes for their great attendance last week. Special congratulations go to Collie Class who achieved 100% attendance for the week.

HOUSEPOINTS

Grangehill 486 Rochester 519 Dunvegan 528 Nesbit 413

WELL DONE

PUPIL COMMENDATIONS

Alsatian (N): Ava for a great retelling of the Enormous Turnip story

Basset (R): Ola for fantastic effort in phonics sessions

Beagle (R): Avneet for great focus in literacy lessons

Corgi (1): Henry U for working hard in English

Collie (1): Luca for excellent work on fractions

Dachshund (2): Zahra for great focus during her learning

Dalmatian (2): Rares for excellent work on shapes in maths

Great Dane (3): Darci for a fantastic improvement in swimming

Greyhound (3): Daniel for his detailed answers whilst hot-seating a character

Pointer (4): James for writing a super poem about “*The Great Hunter*”

Pug (4): James for great problem solving in maths

Red Setter (5): Tomas S for his thorough approach to problem solving in maths

Retriever (5): Olivia for making a fantastic contribution to all lessons and class discussions

St. Bernard (6): Tara for writing a brilliant biography on Charles Darwin

Spaniel (6): Angelia for working hard in all areas of learning

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