

Gordon Primary School News

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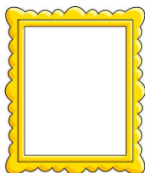


THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL



We would like to say a huge **thank you** to everyone who has supported our '**Stock the Shelves**' **Summer Food Drive** in aid of **Greenwich Foodbank**. Your generosity will make a real difference to local families, and we are very grateful for your continued support.

Thank you also to everyone who visited our **Gordon Exhibition**, which this year focused on the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)**. It was wonderful to welcome so many families into school to celebrate the children's learning and to see the thoughtful work they have produced.



On Tuesday, our **Year 4 pupils** enjoyed a fantastic educational visit to the **National Portrait Gallery**, where they explored a range of inspiring artworks linked to their Geography topic *Are all settlements the same?* They had a very enjoyable time.

A huge thank you goes to all the family members who attended Wednesday's welcome meeting for our upcoming September Reception intake. We are absolutely thrilled to begin this journey and look forward to working closely with you and your children!



Today, our **EYFS Sports Day** was a wonderful success. The children showed great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork, and it was lovely to see so many family members cheering them on. Thank you to everyone who came along to support the children.

Also today, our **Year 6 pupils** enjoyed a well-deserved trip to the **Vue Cinema** as part of their end-of-year celebrations. They had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed watching Toy Story 5.

In our assembly today we introduced **Disability Pride Month** - an important time to celebrate the identities, achievements and contributions of disabled people as well as challenge stigma, stereotypes and discrimination.



We will round off what has been a very busy and successful week with one of the highlights of the school year - the **Friends of the Gordon Summer Barbecue**. We are delighted that the event has sold out and look forward to welcoming many families for what promises to be a fantastic evening. With refreshments, games, a disco and a ceilidh band, it will be a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate another successful year.

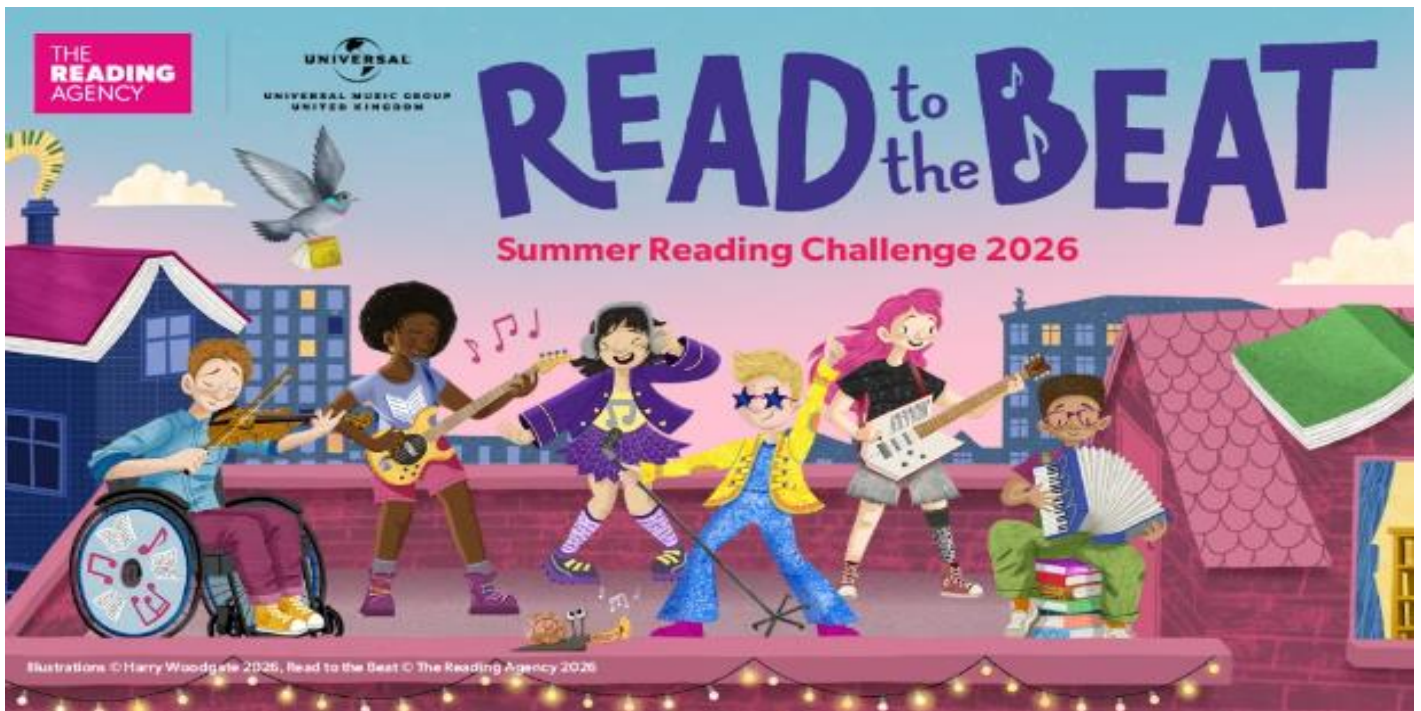
A huge thank you to the **Friends of the Gordon** and all the volunteers who have worked so hard to organise the event. We hope everyone has a fantastic evening!

SEND COFFEE MORNING

We would like to thank everyone who attended our SEND Coffee Morning for parents and carers on Thursday. It was wonderful to welcome a representative from the **Greenwich Parent & Carer Forum**, who shared information about the support available to families.

As discussed during the session, we are keen to develop a network of **Parent Champions** who can offer advice, encouragement and a listening ear to other parents and carers. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Champion, please contact Mrs Cuesta at hcuesta@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk.

We hope that everyone who attended found the session helpful and enjoyed the opportunity to meet with staff and other families. Thank you for your continued support.



This summer, children are invited to take part in the **Read to the Beat Summer Reading Challenge 2026** at their local library.

The challenge encourages children to keep reading over the summer holidays by borrowing books, collecting rewards and enjoying fun, music-themed activities. Whether your child enjoys stories, comics, graphic novels, fact books or audiobooks, every book counts.

Taking part is free and is a great way to help children maintain their reading skills while discovering new authors and developing a lifelong love of reading.

To sign up, visit your local library and ask about the **Read to the Beat Summer Reading Challenge**. You can also click here: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> We hope lots of our pupils will take part and enjoy a summer full of reading

ANNUAL REPORTS

Yesterday, the children's annual reports were sent home. We hope you have enjoyed reading about your child's achievements and progress over the past year. If you would like to discuss your child's report with their class teacher, please remember that we are holding drop-in sessions in the classrooms next Wednesday from 3:30pm to 4:30pm. You do not need to make an appointment; you can just come along. We look forward to seeing you!

DIARY DATES

July 2026

Monday 6 th	Year 5 visit to St Luke's church Rescheduled - Year 6 visit to Minnis Bay (8:15am departure) Stay & Play session for new families joining Reception in September
Tuesday 7 th	Royal Opera House dance workshops Stay & Play session for new families joining Reception in September
Wednesday 8 th	Stay & Play session for new families joining Nursery in September Transition to Key Stage 1 meeting for Reception parents and carers - 9am Annual Reports drop-in session: 3:30pm to 4:30pm Rescheduled - Ensembles Concert: 6pm / Sports Hall
Tuesday 14 th	Year 6 Leavers production - 6pm
Wednesday 15 th	Transition to Key Stage 2 meeting for Year 2 parents and carers - 9am Year 6 Leavers production - 9:15am Nursery visit to Avery Hill Park First Aid workshop for Year 6 - kindly funded by FoG
Thursday 16 th	Year 6 Disco First Aid workshop for Year 6 - kindly funded by FoG SATS results for Year 6 available
Friday 17 th	Last day of the term - school closes at 1:30pm (11:30am for Year 6) Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 11am

September 2026

Thursday 3 rd	Autumn term begins for Years 1 to 6 ~ Start dates for pupils attending Nursery and Reception will be shared separately with parents and carers
Tuesday 8 th	Welcome meetings for Years 1 to 5 ~ 3:25pm / 3:45pm / 4:05pm in classrooms
Monday 14 th	Secondary Transfer meeting for Year 6 ~ 6pm / Lower Hall

HOUSE POINTS

Grangehill 783

Rochester 741

Dunvegan 744

Nesbit 758

Congratulations to all our pupils for their hard work and great attitudes this week. House points have been awarded for showing kindness and respect, working hard and making positive contributions to school life. With only two weeks left to earn house points before we announce the final Cup Winners of the year, there is everything to play for!

ENGLAND'S NEXT WORLD CUP MATCH



Good luck to the England team in their next World Cup match, which kicks off at **1:00am on Monday 6th July (UK time)**. Following their victory in the last round, England are through to last 16, and we know some of our pupils will be keen to stay up and cheer on the Three Lions.

If your child will be staying up to watch the match, we will be extending our soft start until **9:30am** on Monday morning. Children arriving any time up to 9:30am will not receive a late mark, giving them the chance for a little extra rest after what promises to be an exciting night.

We hope everyone enjoys the match, and fingers crossed for another England victory!

ATTENDANCE

Well done to **Rhodolite**, **Ruby** and **Ammolite** classes for receiving Attendance Stars this week! Your hard work and dedication to coming to school every day really shows. Keep up the fantastic effort!

THIS WEEK'S LET'S TALK TASK

Following on from today's EYFS Sports Day, this week's Let's Talk task is:

Would you rather be super strong or super fast?

I think ... I agree because ...

Have you considered ...

Can you explain why ...

Furthermore, ...

WELCOME MEETINGS FOR FAMILIES OF CHILDREN JOINING YEAR 1 AND YEAR 3

Wednesday 8th July

Welcome to Key Stage 1 meeting for **Reception** parents/carers (9am)

Wednesday 15th July

Welcome to Key Stage 2 meeting for **Year 2** parents/carers (9am)

These are short meetings (approximately 30 minutes) to support you with your child's transition into new Key Stages. We will be sharing the practical things you'll need to know and you'll have the opportunity to ask questions. We look forward to seeing you!



Crystal (N) - Judie for her interesting conversations this week

Beryl (R) - Edan and Eddie for fantastic cooperation when building a model zoo

Opal (R) - Huxley and Emmie for trying really hard with their reading, especially when reading tricky words

Emerald (1) - Saffy for her fantastic improvement in reading and phonics

Jasper (1) - Jaxson for his super independence when telling the time

Ammolite (2) - Gabriella for her fantastic attitude and enthusiasm towards all her learning

Sapphire (2) - Evie for settling well into the class and showing great enthusiasm

Azurite (3) - Sophie for linking the Rights of a Child to the themes of the text in English

Rhodolite (3) - Flo for being a true engineer when constructing exoskeletons in science and stop-motion animations in computing

Nephrite (4) - Jacob for his resilience and hard work in all areas of his learning

Ruby (4) - Marko for having a brilliant approach to doing his end of year assessments

Coral (5) - Johnny for writing and performing an expressive and engaging speech describing all the ways a desert is useful to humans

Diamond (5) - Pariza for her fantastic work designing a school for the future in art

Moonstone (6) - Elijah for convincingly taking on the airs of a Victorian gentleman in our Year 6 production

Sunstone (6) - Isabella for her excellent sewing of a waistcoat in DT

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