

Gordon Primary School News

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THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

This week began with an assembly about democracy. We talked to the children about elections and the importance of everyone being able to share their opinion and contribute to decision making. We followed this up on Thursday when we turned the Middle Hall into a Polling Station for the children and they voted on the class name theme for the next academic year. The children have chosen flowers for next year's class names.

Well done, **Cairo** Class for presenting a great assembly today. They shared their exciting learning about Antarctica with their families and the rest of the school.

CONGRATULATIONS ATHENS CLASS

You may recall that we took part in the **Big Wheel and Walk** event back in March to promote environmentally friendly ways to travel to school. We logged how many children walked, cycled and scooted to school for a two-week period and then compared classes. We are delighted to announce that **Athens Class** had the highest percentage of children who travelled in these ways and they have won a session of wall climbing at Clip & Climb in Sutcliffe Park. Well done, Athens!

Walk to School Week is coming up soon. We hope that as many children as possible will take part. Walking to school has been shown to reduce congestion, improve the air quality around schools and enhance children's happiness. We would be grateful if you could encourage your child to take part.



DIARY DATES

May

Monday 6 th	Bank Holiday - school closed
Tuesday 7 th	Royal Greenwich Singing Spectacular concert (evening)
Wednesday 8 th 13 th to 16 th	Year 4 trip - London Philharmonic Orchestra Year 6 SATS tests
Wednesday 15 th	Year 5 first aid training First aid training for parents and carers (3:30pm to 5pm)
20 th to 24 th	Walk to School Week
Friday 24 th	Krakow Class Assembly (9:10am / 2:45pm - Middle Hall) Year 4 Greek Day
27 th to 31 st	Half term break

June

Monday 3 rd	Inset Day - school closed
Tuesday 4 th	Children return to school
Wednesday 5 th	Secondary transition workshops for Year 6
Friday 7 th	Vienna Class Assembly (9:10am / 2:45pm - Middle Hall)
Monday 10 th	Year 6 trip to the Royal Observatory
Thursday 13 th	Sports Day for Years 1 & 2 (morning)
Friday 14 th	Sports Day for Years 3 to 6 (morning)
17 th to 21 st	Dance workshops for all year groups
Tuesday 18 th	Year 6 trip to Minnis Bay
Wednesday 19 th	Athens Class trip to Clip & Climb (Walk to School winners) new date
Thursday 20 th	Empathy workshops for Year 6
Wednesday 26 th	Reception trip to the Royal Observatory Freshwater Theatre Group visiting Year 1 new date Year 2 trip to the Maritime Museum Secondary transition workshops for Year 6
Friday 28 th	Adelaide Class Assembly (9:10am / 2:45pm - Middle Hall)

July

Tuesday 2 nd	Meeting for new Reception parents and carers (September 2024 intake)
Wednesday 3 rd	Meeting for new Reception parents and carers (September 2024 intake)
Thursday 4 th	Year 4 trip to the British Museum new date
Friday 5 th 9 th to 11 th	Sydney Class Assembly (9:10am / 2:45pm - Middle Hall) Gordon Exhibition (Middle Hall)
Thursday 11 th	Stay & Play session for new Reception children (3:30pm)
Friday 12 th	EYFS Sports Day (morning)
Wednesday 17 th	Year 6 Leavers' performance (6pm)
Thursday 18 th	Year 6 Leavers' performance (9:30am)
Friday 19 th	120 th Anniversary celebration day
Tuesday 23 rd	Last day of term for Nursery Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 24 th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents & carers - 11am Last day of term for Year 6 - leave at 11:30am Last day of term for Reception to Year 5 . School closes at 1:30pm

HOUSEPOINTS

Well done to everyone who has earned house points this week. Here are the scores so far for this term:

Grangehill 794	Rochester 856
Dunvegan 780	Nesbit 578

ATTENDANCE

This week Vienna, Krakow and New York classes were presented with Attendance Stars. Well done to all of the children in these classes.

FOG NEWS

RESCHEDULED FUN RUN

We have rescheduled the school Fun Run for **Friday 17th May** (weather permitting). More information will go out next week. In the meantime, we need A LOT of volunteer marshals! Please contact Meghan if you are available that morning: 07531 864481 or email friendsofthegordon@gmail.com Thank you!



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROWTH FUND

We are delighted to announce that the bid we submitted to the Neighbourhood Growth Fund was successful and we will receive £20,000 towards the repairs and improvements we want to make to the Sports Hall. Huge thanks go to everyone who voted for us! Your support is appreciated.

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Manaus (N) - Isobel for her detailed recall of the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk*

Beijing (R) - Marnie for demonstrating an outstanding understanding of number composition

Copenhagen (R) - Tahlia for her fantastic phonics

Krakow (1) - Imogen for working hard to add detail and include adjectives in her writing

Vienna (1) - Ellie for working hard when counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and applying this knowledge when solving money problems

Adelaide (2) - Toby for super listening and participation in class discussions

Sydney (2) - Issie for writing a descriptive retell of a traditional story

Fuji (3) - Rory for writing an engaging setting description using carefully chosen and effective vocabulary

New York (3) - Clara for her hard work and effort when finding fractions of a number

Athens (4) - Elijah for converting units of length in maths using his place value knowledge

Cairo (4) - Aanya for confidently using fronted adverbials and figurative language in her writing

Memphis (5) - Eleza for working hard with our topic of position and movement in maths

Ouagadougou (5) - Olivia for always trying her best and producing excellent work in all lessons

Delhi (6) - Dylan for writing an alternative ending to *The Landlady* using carefully chosen vocabulary and a range of punctuation

Winnipeg (6) - Reagan for his enthusiastic participation and improvement in maths