

# Gordon Primary School News

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## THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

The highlight of this week has been the incredible **Year 6** Leavers' performance of *The Rocky Monster Show*! The children amazed us all with their fantastic singing, excellent acting and brilliant dancing! They really did pull out all the stops and made their families and the staff so very proud! Well done, **Year 6**!

Also, this week, **Nursery** had great fun at their Stories, Rhymes & Songs workshop. On Thursday, we held a school meals taster session for parents and carers. As well as trying some of the dishes that we serve to the children, a representative from Chartwells was available to answer questions. We hope that everyone who came along found it useful.

Unfortunately, we had to change today's 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations as it was too hot and sunny to have all the children eating lunch outside and performing in the playground. The children still enjoyed their "picnic" lunch, and we will sing and hear the school band play on Monday.

## ELTHAM LEISURE CENTRE OPEN DAYS

Eltham Leisure Centre will be hosting Open Days for families on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July. There will be free activities such as:

- swimming
- fitness class try outs
- fun activities in the pool

Please see the attached flyer for more details.

## SCOOTERS

If you have a scooter at home that you no longer need, we would love to take it off your hands for the children in the Foundation Stage. Thank you!

## LAST DAY OF TERM

Please note that the last day of term for the **Nursery** is Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. The rest of the school finishes on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July:

- **Year 6** - finish at 11:30am after their special assembly for parents and carers
- **Reception to Year 5** - finish at 1:30pm

## ATTENDANCE AWARDS

This week we awarded Attendance Stars to **Memphis**, **Sydney** and **Vienna** Classes! Well done, everyone. On Monday we will be announcing which class has won the title of Attendance Champions for the whole year!

## HOUSE POINTS

Grangehill 240	Rochester 241
Dunvegan 280	Nesbit 230

These are the House Points earned this week. We will announce our House Points Champions for this half term on Monday!

## UNIFORM FOR SEPTEMBER

School uniform is compulsory for all children from the Nursery to Year 6. We have a gender-neutral approach to school uniform and all children can choose from the items listed below:

### Uniform list (Nursery):

- black, navy or dark grey jogging bottoms/leggings
- white or navy polo-shirt
- navy school sweatshirt / jumper / cardigan
- black, navy or dark grey skirt / pinafore dress
- black shoes / trainers - no laces please
- blue check dresses (during warmer weather)
- navy or dark grey school shorts
- black boots can be worn in the winter

### Uniform list (Reception to Year 6):

- black or dark grey trousers
- white shirt or polo-shirt
- navy school sweatshirt / jumper / cardigan
- black, dark grey or navy skirt / pinafore dress
- black shoes - no trainers or shoes with coloured soles and/or laces
- blue check/striped dresses (during warmer weather)
- navy or grey school shorts (during warmer weather)
- brown, navy or black sandals (during warmer weather), but they must cover the children's toes and be firmly attached at the heel
- black boots can be worn in the winter

### PE kit:

- plain white t-shirt
- navy blue shorts
- trainers or plimsolls
- a tracksuit may be worn in winter

### Swimming Kit: (Years 3 & 4 only)

- close fitting trunks (no beach shorts)
- one-piece costume (no bikinis)
- a swimming cap
- a towel

**Bags** Only book bags and drawstring PE bags can come into school. No back packs or ruck sacks please as there isn't enough room on our coat trolleys for them.

We respect the religion and culture of all our children. If you have any religious or cultural requests about uniform, please contact Mr Taylor.

It is very important to mark your child's clothing clearly either by sewn-in / ironed-on labels or with an indelible pen. A great deal of parents' time is wasted trying to find unlabelled items.

Uniform items with the school logo, bookbags and drawstring PE bags can be obtained from:

**JK Clothing, Well Hall Road**

You can also buy non-logo items from other stores.

You will be able to buy pre-loved items at our regular uniform sales in school during the year.

We can offer some free school uniform items to families who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

## SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming sessions at the Eltham Centre will resume on 5<sup>th</sup> September. Initially, these will be for the children in the new **Year 4** classes. They will have swimming lessons until February. Then, it will be the turn of the children in **Year 3** who will have lessons for the rest of the year. Lessons take place every week on Thursday and the children will need the kit listed above.

## WELCOME MEETINGS

We will be holding Welcome Meetings for **Years 1 to 5** on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September. They will take place three times - 3:25pm / 3:45pm / 4:05pm so you can attend meetings for more than one year group if necessary.

There will be a meeting for **Year 6** on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm and a meeting for **Reception** on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30pm.

## DIARY DATES

### July

- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Last day of term for **Nursery**  
**Year 6** Leavers' Disco
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> **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

### September

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Children in **Years 1 to 6** return to school  
*Stay & Play* sessions for the children moving from **Manaus** Class to **Reception** - sessions will take place in the morning and home visits will take place in the afternoon
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> First day for children moving from **Manaus** Class to **Reception** - school will finish at 1:30pm for Reception whilst we are carrying out home visits
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Activity Clubs begin
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> **Nursery** re-opens for returning children
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Welcome meetings for parents / carers of children in **Year 1 to Year 5**
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> First full day for **Reception**
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> **Year 6** Welcome Meeting / Secondary Transfer Information Evening - 6pm
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> **Reception** Welcome Meeting - 2:30pm

### October

- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Inset day - school closed



**Manaus (N)** - everyone for their enthusiastic participation in the Summer Garden sensory experience

**Beijing (R)** - George for sheer enthusiasm and passion for singing

**Copenhagen (R)** - James for writing a fabulous sentence

**Krakow (1)** - Gabe for setting a brilliant example to his peers with his dedication to learning

**Vienna (1)** - Renee for being a great role model and always trying her best

**Adelaide (2)** - Ameer, Angel, CJ and Diego for working hard and making progress

**Sydney (2)** - Millie S for always putting 100% effort and enthusiasm in all areas of her learning

**Fuji (3)** - Jack for identifying the different ways in which people use rivers

**New York (3)** - George for his outstanding effort in all areas of his learning

**Athens (4)** - Martin for carefully editing a playscript using appropriate features

**Cairo (4)** - Freddie for always working hard in all areas and being a kind friend

**Memphis (5)** - Lara for always working to the best of her ability in all areas of the curriculum

**Ouagadougou (5)** - Matthew for always being the best he can be in his work and friendships

**Year 6** - the whole year for their amazing performances of *The Rocky Monster Show* and their fantastic achievements this year

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