

Gordon School News

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EVENTS IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Jade and **Jasper** classes had fantastic visits to the Old Royal Naval College this week. They took part in *Myths & Masks* workshops and explored a number of Ancient Greek tales. **Year 1** went to see the *Blast of Brass* concert at Blackheath Concert Halls today. This was a fantastic introduction to brass instruments for the children.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

In last term's questionnaire, some parents and carers identified the website as an aspect of the school that they felt could be improved. We will be meeting with our provider in a couple of weeks' time and would appreciate some detailed feedback about what you think needs to be changed. Please be as precise as you can. You can email your feedback to office@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk or post a note in the box in the foyer. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Well done to this week's attendance award winners: **Turquoise**, **Opal** and **Pearl** classes.

SCHOOL STREETS

We have been trialling the School Streets initiative along Grangehill Road for six months with the aim of making travel to our school safer and less polluted for children and parents who walk, cycle and scoot. The Local Authority is now seeking feedback on the effectiveness of this initiative and have created an online survey. Please go to: <https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/schoolstreets> to share your thoughts. Thank you.

TENNIS LESSONS

Why not learn and play tennis at Eltham Park South with the professional coaches who teach tennis in our school? There are Mini and Junior sessions running on a weekly basis for children aged 3+. There is group coaching for adults too! Gordon pupils can take advantage of a free session by using the voucher code FREETRIAL anytime before 20th May 2019. For more information please call 0208 987 8027 or visit <https://www.twistfizz.co.uk/kids-tennis/minis/>

LONDON MARATHON

Last week we told you about one of our parents who was running the London marathon for the charity *OneCause*. Well done Claire for successfully completing this great challenge! Another one of our parents – Antoine – also ran for charity. In this case it was in aid of *Medecins sans Frontieres / Doctors without Borders*, a charity that provides emergency medical care worldwide to people who have been affected by conflict and disasters. If you would like to make a donation please visit: www.justgiving.com/Antoine-Pesenti12

HOUSE POINTS

Grangehill 253	Rochester 241
Dunvegan 260	Nesbit 248

DRUMMING LESSONS

We have a couple of spaces for drumming lessons on Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school. For more information please contact our music teacher, Mrs Calcott: scalcott@gordon.greenwich.sch

FRIENDS OF THE GORDON (PTA)

There are three exciting fundraising events planned for this term:

- "Lend A Hand" Cake Sale (24th May)
- Fun Run (28th June)
- Barbeque & Disco (5th July)

Please look out for more details in future newsletters.

There will also be a meeting for parents on Wednesday 15th May at 7pm in the Lower Hall. The existing FoG committee are hoping to hand over their roles from September so if you are looking for a way to become more involved in the life of the school please come along. Everyone is welcome!

CALENDAR UPDATES

May

1st to 31st

Tues 7th

Wed 8th

8th to 10th

Fri 10th

13th to 16th

Wed 15th

20th to 24th

Mon 20th

Wed 22nd

Thurs 23rd

Fri 24th

27th to 31st

June

Fri 7th

10th to 14th

Mon 10th

Wed 12th

Thurs 13th

Fri 14th

Wed 19th

Thurs 20th

Fri 21st

Mon 24th

Tues 25th

Wed 26th

Fri 28th

Sat 29th

July

Tues 2nd

Thurs 4th

Fri 5th

Mon 8th

Tues 9th

Wed 10th

Thurs 11th

Tues 16th

Thurs 18th

Fri 19th

Year 2 SATs tests

Year 4 to attend the *Bright Sparks* Concert

Pearl Class visit to Pizza Express

Jade Class visit to Clip 'n' Climb

Dance workshops for all Year groups

Pearl Class Assembly (9:10am)

Year 6 SATs tests

FoG Meeting (7pm)

Gordon Exhibition (all Year groups)

Class photographs

GSG perform in the *Singing Spectacular*

Open Afternoon (2pm to 5pm)

Sports Hall used for European Elections

Sapphire Class Assembly (9:10am / 3pm)

FoG "Lend A Hand" Cake Sale (after school)

Half term break

Citrine Class Assembly (9:10am / 3pm)

Phonics Screening Checks for **Year 1**

Swimming Gala heats – Girls

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Nursery visit to Maritime Museum

Pearl Class trip to Royal Institute

Year 3 visit to Woodlands Farm

Reception visit to Sea Life London Aquarium

GSG perform at the Tower of London

Sapphire trip to Royal Institute

Year 6 *Junior Citizen* project

Year 4 World War II Evacuation Day

Coral Class Assembly (9:10am / 3pm)

Sportathon – Jasper Class

Sports Day – **Years 1 and 2** (morning) tbc

Sports Day – **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** (morning) tbc

New Reception Welcome Meetings (9:30am / 2pm)

Year 4 Assembly (9:10am)

FoG Fun Run

Swimming Gala finals (evening)

New Reception Picnic (12pm)

Year 4 Instrumental Concert (2pm)

Year 6 visit to Museum of London

FoG Barbeque & Disco (evening)

Nursery closed - Welcome Meeting for new starters

Steel Band perform in the bandstand (3:30pm)

School Band perform in the bandstand (3:30pm)

Nursery & Reception Sports (morning)

Year 6 Leavers' Production (6:30pm)

Year 6 disco (7pm to 9:30pm)

Last day of term – school ends at 3:30pm

WELL DONE

Amber (N): Brandon, Lily and Maria for great work on continuing repeated patterns

Amethyst (R): Stanley for a big improvement in his writing

Aquamarine (R): Eva for fantastic improvement in her writing

Citrine (1): Alicja for writing a great story

Coral (1): Summer for working hard on her reading

Diamond (2): Audrey for lovely Fire of London artwork

Emerald (2): Luigi for fantastic effort on his rocket artwork

Jade (3): Bobby – excellent effort and determination when finding equivalent fractions

Jasper (3): Rosina for excellent participation in all the activities during our recent trip to Greenwich

Onyx (4): Marcus for a very convincing piece of persuasive writing

Opal (4): Rosa for writing a lovely penpal letter

Pearl (5): Robertas for using super reasoning skills when calculating percentage

Sapphire (5): Elana – for great work on percentages in maths

Topaz (6): Luke for fantastic effort when solving problems in maths

Turquoise (6): Klevis for putting excellent effort into SATs revision

BANK HOLIDAY

Please remember that Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday and the school will be closed. We hope you have a fantastic long weekend!

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