

Gordon School News

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RECENT EVENTS IN SCHOOL

We welcomed our **new Nursery** children and their families on Monday. We are looking forward to them joining us in September.

Our **steel pans** players performed brilliantly in the band stand after school on Tuesday and the **school band** were equally impressive on Wednesday! We are lucky to have such talented children!

The **Nursery** and **Reception** children thoroughly enjoyed Thursday's Sports Day. They took part with great enthusiasm and tried their very best.

Year 6 had two special visitors this week – both linked to the transition to secondary school. A representative from *Transport for London* talked to the children about how to use public transport and a police officer gave them advice about how to keep themselves safe on the streets when they are not accompanied by an adult.

Finally, **Emerald** Class presented a lovely assembly today. They shared their excellent work on *The Princess and the White Bear King*. Well done, everyone!

DIARY DATES

July

Tues 16 th	Year 6 Production (6pm – Sports Hall) Children to meet in the Lower Hall at 5:30pm
Thurs 18 th	Year 6 disco (7pm to 9:30pm)
Fri 19 th	Last day of term – school ends at 3:30pm Summer Fair (2pm – 3pm) – children only

BOOK AMNESTY

We are reviewing our stock of reading books in readiness for September and will be collecting in all the books that the children have borrowed. Please check if you have any school reading books at home and bring them back to us. Many thanks.

PARENTS' BEHAVIOUR

We know that children may have disagreements, fall out with each other and act in unkind ways from time-to-time. Please remember that these are not reasons for parents to confront other parents or their children. Any concerns you have regarding an incident that your child has been involved in needs to be dealt with by the staff. Thank you.

GO! CLUB INSET DAY COVER

Monday 2nd September will be an inset day and the GO! Club will be offering a full day's childcare from 8am to 6pm for £30. They have already started planning for the day and are looking to take the children out on a trip. If you are interested in booking a place for your child, please email: go@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk

HOUSEPOINTS

Grangehill 1449	Rochester 1390
Dunvegan 1419	Nesbit 1360

SUMMER FAIR ~ FRIDAY 19TH JULY

Year 6 will be hosting a Summer Fair for the rest of the school during the afternoon on Friday 19th July. There will be a range of games and stalls so please send your child in with a small amount of change – no more than £2. Thank you.

VACANCIES

We are looking to appoint some ad hoc meal supervisors who we can call upon to cover staff absence. If you have daytime availability and the flexibility to come in at short notice please contact us for an application form.

AFTER SCHOOL FRENCH CLUB

Are you interested in your child learning French at Gordon Primary School with *La Jolie Ronde*?

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CLASSES FOR 2019/2020

The children voted for mythical creatures as the theme for next year's class names. There will be an opportunity for the children to meet their new teacher and visit their new classroom on Tuesday.

Year Group 2019/20	Class Name	Class Teacher (s)	Former Class 2018/19
Nursery	Unicorn	Mrs Miller	Amber
Reception	Sphinx	Ms White	Amber
	Sprite	Ms Kemp	Amber
Year 1	Pegasus	Mrs Cullum	Aquamarine
	Phoenix	Mrs King & Mrs Beattie	Amethyst
Year 2	Kelpie	Ms Carter	Coral
	Kraken	Mrs Abrey & Mrs Cuesta	Citrine
Year 3	Hippogriff	Mrs Hill	Emerald
	Hydra	Mrs Faiers	Diamond
Year 4	Genie	Ms Whiting	Jasper
	Griffin	Mrs Sanders	Jade
Year 5	Damysus	Mrs Smyth	Opal
	Dragon	Mrs Olding	Onyx
Year 6	Centaur	Ms Morton	Pearl
	Cyclops	Ms Deacon	Sapphire

FRIENDS OF THE GORDON (PTA) UPDATES

The **barbeque** was a huge success last Friday and we would like to thank everyone who came along and helped us raise £2,301. This brilliant evening could not happen without the wonderful FoG committee and the incredible team of parent volunteers who support them. You are all amazing and we thank you for your dedication and hard work!

We had a great response to the **Fun Run** this year and we are delighted to let you know that we have raised £ 2,030.27 so far! Well done everyone and, once again, thank you! **If you have any outstanding sponsor money, please bring it in ASAP.**

We are planning to enter the **Big Half Marathon** again next year! Our tremendous team of staff and parents raised nearly £4500 this year. This money is being used to buy lots of Lego Education Technology equipment especially designed to support children with computing and coding. We have booked some training sessions for the staff for the autumn term and then we will be ready to teach these exciting lessons! If you are interested in running for us again – or for the first time – please let us know by emailing FoG at: friendsofthegordon@gmail.com

Sadly, the current FoG committee have decided to step down at the end of this term. They still want to be part of FoG but are looking to take on more of a supportive role going forward. Therefore, we are looking for some energetic and inspired parents to take over the reins! We will be electing a new committee at our first FoG meeting of the year on Thursday 10th October.

WELL DONE

Amber (N): the whole class for their great enthusiasm at Sports Day

Amethyst (R): Harper for working hard on his sounds in phonics

Aquamarine (R): Kourtney for always being so helpful in the classroom

Citrine (1): Henry for having a brilliant attitude

Coral (1): Erica for always being a good friend

Diamond (2): Albert for his improved confidence and attitude

Emerald (2): the whole class for working hard on their assembly

Jade (3): Abdul for great work on perpendicular, parallel, vertical and horizontal lines

Jasper (3): Niamh for a fantastic improvement in her writing

Onyx (4): Terry for his fantastic work on calculating area

Opal (4): Amy for fabulous reading comprehension skills

Pearl (5): Drew for always being the very best she can be

Sapphire (5): Jack for a great attitude to his work in Year 5

Topaz: Lily P for her fantastic attitude when rehearsing for the Year 6 production

Turquoise: Frankie for helping Foundation Stage so well at their Sports Day

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Congratulations go to Diamond, Amethyst and Opal classes for winning this week's awards!

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