

Gordon School News

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ANOTHER BUSY WEEK IN SCHOOL

On Monday evening, our **school band** took part in an instrumental gala at Blackheath Halls. They performed brilliantly! Well done, children! Thank you to everyone who came along to the **Nursery** and **Reception** Open Evenings this week. The youngest children in the school have settled well and we're really pleased with how they are progressing. We had a good turnout at the RSE (Relationships & Sex Education) drop-in session on Tuesday and lots of **Year 2** parents and carers came along to Wednesday's workshop on maths – thank you! 24 children from **Years 5 and 6** took part in an athletics competition on Wednesday. They competed against 20 other schools and came third! What a great achievement! **Year 4** did us proud at the Eltham Lights Up parade on Thursday evening with their fantastic lanterns. The week ended with a super assembly from the children in **Hippogriff** Class who shared work on prehistoric Britain. At the end of the assembly we said "goodbye and good luck" to Mrs Hill who has now started her maternity leave!

CHRISTMAS DISCOS

FoG have organised two children's discos on 6th December:

- 4pm to 5pm ~ Years 1, 2 and 3
- 6pm to 7:30pm ~ Years 4, 5 and 6

Entry will cost £3 per child and every day next week you will be able to book and pay for your child's place. Please go to the Sports Hall foyer at 9am in the mornings and 3:15pm in the afternoons. If you do not come into the school you can book places by email and pay on the door.

Following requests from a number of parents, we have decided not to have sweets at the Christmas discos this year.



To help raise funds for our school while you do your online shopping, please visit the **easyfundraising** website or download the app. Then, when you shop via easyfundraising you'll earn commission for our school. It's quick, easy and costs you nothing!

We now have 112 supporters who have raised over £2300 for the school. What an amazing effort! Thank you for your support. If you have not signed up yet, go to the *Gordon School App*, click on *links* and you'll see the easyfundraising website listed. Alternatively, you can access the website here: <http://bit.ly/2QvjEG5>

YEAR 5 MEETING

There is a School Journey meeting for **Year 5** parents on Monday 25th November at 6pm in the Middle Hall. If your child is going to Sayers Croft, please come along to the meeting.

WALLPAPER

If you have any rolls of wallpaper at home that you do not need, the Nursery would love to take them off your hands! Please take them along to the Nursery or hand them in at the office. Thank you!

WELL DONE IRIS

Iris in Year 6 represented Greenwich Borough in the Under 11s London Youth Games Cross Country at the weekend and came fourth – just eight seconds behind the winner! How impressive is that? She also has a trial to get into the London Mini-Marathon in April. We are so proud of Iris and wish her the best of luck!

ATTENDANCE

Well done to this week's Attendance Award Winners: **Sprite**, **Griffin** and **Hydra** classes.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The deadline for buying cards, wrapping paper and tags is Monday 25th November. Please see the sticker on the back of your child's artwork for details. The items will be ready by 5th December and will be given to your child to take home. FoG receives commission on all sales so this is a great way to celebrate your child's creativity and help make some money.

GO! CLUB

Next week, we will be sending a letter out to the families who use the GO! Club. We will be making some changes to the ways that you book and pay for sessions which will come into effect in January. Please keep an eye out for this letter.

DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

Mon 25 th	Year 5 School Journey Meeting (6pm) Deadline for Christmas card orders
Tues 26 th	Flu Vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)
Wed 27 th	Nursery Parent Workshops (9:15am / 2:45pm)
Fri 29 th	Genie Class Assembly (9:15pm / 3pm)

DECEMBER

Tues 3 rd	Year 3 trip to St Luke's Church
Wed 4 th	Carol concert – Years 5 & 6 (4pm)
Fri 6 th	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day Disco for Years 1, 2 & 3 (4pm to 5pm) Disco for Years 4, 5 & 6 (6pm to 7:30pm)
Monday 9 th	Year 2 Carol Singing (afternoon)
Tues 10 th	Christmas Production – Years 1 & 2 (9:30am) Christmas Production – Foundation Stage (2pm)
Wed 11 th	Christmas Production – Foundation Stage (9:30am) Christmas Production – Years 1 & 2 (2pm)
11 th to 13 th	Year 5 on School Journey to Sayers Croft
Thurs 12 th	General Election (school open)
Tues 17 th	Christmas Production – Years 3 & 4 (9:30am) Christmas Production – Years 3 & 4 (2pm)
Tues 17 th	Pantomime for Nursery, Reception & Year 1
Wed 18 th	Class parties for Years 2 to 6
Thurs 19 th	Year 5 Assembly (9:15am) Last day of the Autumn Term (finish at 2pm)

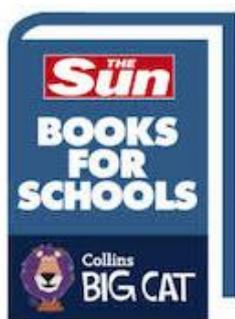
RAFFLE TICKETS

A booklet of five raffle tickets will be coming home in the children's book bags next Monday. This is for the FoG Christmas raffle, and will raise money for additional resources for the school. Parents, carers, friends and families can buy as few or as many as they wish, and then send the money with the ticket stubs (along with any unsold tickets) to the school office by the 6th December. There are additional raffle tickets at the school office for anyone who wishes to buy more.

This year there are lots of fantastic and varied raffle prizes, ranging from Gym membership and fitbits, to food hampers and restaurant vouchers, to hair and beauty vouchers. Please support us. Good luck!

HOUSE POINTS

Grangehill 596 Rochester 616 Dunvegan 633 Nesbit 589



We have registered for The Sun's Books For Schools scheme. Tokens will be printed in The Sun newspaper between Saturday 23rd November 2019 and Saturday 18th January 2020. We need to collect 3,500 tokens to claim £600 worth of books. If you, your family or friends read The Sun, please bring the tokens in for us. Thank you for your support!

WELL DONE

Unicorn (N): Isabella for being a great number detective

Sphinx (R): Jacob for his wonderful winter art

Sprite (R): Victor for his fantastic attitude towards all areas of learning

Pegasus (1): Letty for brilliant throwing and catching

Phoenix (1): Mason for making great progress in maths

Kelpie (2): Lilly-Joyce for always completing her homework to a very high standard

Kraken (2): Alessia for working hard and trying her best

Hippogriff (3): The whole class for working hard on their assembly

Hydra (3): Joshua for recognising multiplication and division facts

Genie (4): Zoe for being brave and jumping in the deep end at the swimming pool

Griffin (4): Ella for excellent effort in all areas of her learning

Damysus (5): Amelia for lovely contributions to discussions in maths

Dragon (5): Paulius for clear explanations of his methods of multiplication

Centaur (6): Jack for a great improvement in his reading

Cyclops (6): Xanthe for fantastic effort in maths

If you have concerns regarding a child's well-being, care or safety, including bullying, please contact a member of our **Child Protection Team**: Mr Taylor, Mrs Cuesta, Mrs Black or Mrs Newlove. Alternatively, call the NSPCC on 0800 800 5000.

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