

Gordon School News

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Be the best you can be!

THE GORDON GREEN TEAM



Our fantastic **Green Team** have been very busy lately. Since our last update they have planted 45 trees (rowan, hazel and crab apple) against the wall at the back of the Key Stage 2 playground. They relocated a 3m sycamore tree and have been weeding and tidying. Another 44 trees and shrubs have been planted in the Key Stage 1 playground. Thank you, **Green Team!**

We are moving forward with our growing areas and we have ordered railway sleepers which Mr Camilleri will very skilfully turn into raised beds. We have received some funding for this project but we continue to look for more help. Many thanks go to the parents who have been able to help us with our request for soil and we will be announcing an exciting plant growing sponsored event soon, which we hope the children will all join in with.

RELATIONSHIPS, SEX & HEALTH EDUCATION (RSHE)

Statutory changes have been implemented regarding the teaching of Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE). In response to these changes, we have a duty to review our policy and share it with you. We distributed a draft copy of our reviewed policy via Parentmail on Tuesday and placed a copy on our website. We would appreciate if you could read through the policy and contact us if you have any questions. You have until Friday 18th June 2021 to comment. Please contact email Mr Taylor: headteacher@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk or Mrs Cuesta: hcuesta@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk. Thank you for your support.

FOG NEWS - BALLOON RACE

The next fundraiser is an exciting virtual Balloon Race.

Virtual Balloon Race

Start: 2nd June 12pm
End: 9th June 12pm

Balloons are £3 each
customize your balloons and
compete against family and friends

Prizes for furthest flying balloons in whole race
1) £500 Cash – 2) Apple iPad – 3) 10 x £10 Book Token
Additional prizes for furthest Gordon School balloons

WIN

For more information please follow this link:

<https://friendsofthegordon.wixsite.com/schoolpta/balloonrace>

To enter the race of the **Friends of the Gordon Primary School** directly, please follow this link:

<https://ecoracing.co/user/page/1687>

BOOK COMPETITION

WIN £5,000
of National Book Tokens
for your school library

National Book Tokens are running a competition to win £5000 of vouchers for schools. To enter on behalf of our school, you need to click on the following link: <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools> and fill in a short form. Please forward the link to your friends, family members, neighbours, co-workers, etc. as the more entrants we have, the greater our chance of winning. Thank you!



COATS

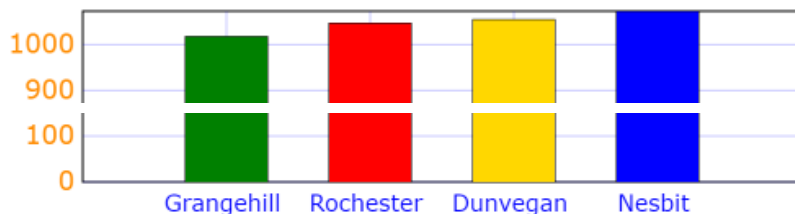
The weather is very changeable at the moment so the children still need to wear a coat to school each day. The forecast suggests that there will be lots of rainy showers next week. Please note that, unless there is a torrential downpour, the children will go outside when it is raining. Thank you.

PLAYING IN THE ROAD

There are a few children who are playing in the middle of Grangehill Road in the mornings whilst waiting to come into school. Even with the bollards in place, this is not a safe area as motorcycles, bikes and scooters can still pass through. We are also concerned that the children may think that they can play in roads at other times too. Please keep your child with you and ensure they are safe. Thank you.

HOUSE POINTS & ATTENDANCE

Congratulations go to everyone who earned House Points this week. Please keep up the good work!



Last week's attendance awards went to the following classes: **Penguin (97.6%)**, **Lobster (97%)** and **Mussel (96.8%)**. Our overall whole school attendance was 95.4%.

HIRING THE GREEN

We would like to start hiring out **The Green** – our new astroturf pitch in the Key Stage 2 playground. It measures 27.5m by 18m and has football markings. The cost for hiring it out is £30 per hour. If you would like more information, please contact Mrs Hollidge: mhollidge@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk

TERM DATES

The half term holiday is Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June.

Monday 7th June is an Inset Day and the school will be closed.

The children return on Tuesday 8th June. The last day of the Summer Term is Friday 23rd July. On this day, the school will close at 2pm.

The first day of the Autumn term is Friday 3rd September.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

One of our neighbouring primary schools has alerted its parents to a concern regarding an unknown gentleman who waited outside the school gates and then approached parents making them feel uncomfortable. Similar reports in other areas where parents or children have been approached have appeared in the media and with this in mind, we urge you to be extra vigilant, accompany your children whenever you can and report anything that worries you.



Clownfish (N): Arthur for creating some super models of vehicles

Conch (R): Clara for a super attitude to all aspects of school life

Coral (R): Sonny for fabulous creative ideas in our spider topic

Dolphin (1): Daner for excellent participation in phonics sessions

Jellyfish (1): Felix and Ysaline for excellent collaboration in maths

Lionfish (2): Ava for super work on her spellings every week

Lobster (2): Alisa for working hard to improve her fluency in mental maths

Mussel (3): Pavel for writing an excellent non-fiction piece about wolves

Octopus (3): Otilija for an improvement in remembering her times tables

Oyster (4): Tele for converting between different units of metric measurement

Penguin (4): May for a lovely painting in the style of Elyse Dodge

Seahorse (5): Oliver for super progress with translating and reflecting shapes

Stingray (5): Elisa for coming up with super ideas for her newspaper report

Turtle (6): Terry for creating a super clay turtle

Whale (6): Mikey for a great improvement in his contributions to class discussion

REFURBISHMENT OF HUT D

We are delighted to announce that the refurbishment of Hut D (behind the Sports Hall) is expected to begin in June. It will take approximately six months to complete. This means that the GO! Club will continue to operate from the Sports Hall for the remainder of 2021.

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