

Gordon Primary School News

Headteacher: Jason Taylor

Assistant Head (Curriculum): Amanda Black

Assistant Head (Inclusion): Hannah Cuesta



Be the best you can be.

DIARY DATES

OCTOBER

11th to 15th

Thursday 14th

Daily swimming sessions for **Supernova Class**

Nasal spray flu vaccinations (**Reception to Year 6**)

Freshwater Theatre visiting **Year 2** – *Great Fire of London* workshop

Friends of the Gordon meeting – 7pm online

18th to 20th

Tuesday 19th

Wednesday 20th

Thursday 21st

Friday 22nd

Open Evening appointments

Black History Month Dance/Drumming Workshops

Harvest Festival Assembly (**Year 5**) – 2pm

Harvest Festival Assembly (**Year 5**) – 9:30am

Black History Month Dance/Drumming Workshops

Freshwater Theatre visiting **Year 5** – *Anglo-Saxon* workshop

Show Racism the Red Card Day

25th to 29th

Sunday 31st

Half term break

Deadline for Secondary School applications

NOVEMBER

1st to 12th

Friday 5th

Wednesday 10th

Thursday 11th

Friday 12th

Daily swimming sessions for **Y4 Discovery Class**

Reception Autumn Walk

Asteroid Class visit to Woodlands Farm

Year 1 Autumn Walk

Cosmos Class visit to Woodland Farm

Diwali Dance Workshops – **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**

Anti-Bullying Week

15th- 19th

Monday 15th

15th to 26th

Odd Socks Day (part of Anti-Bullying Week)

Daily swimming sessions for **Y4 Andromeda Class**

DECEMBER

Monday 13th

Tuesday 14th

Wednesday 15th

Thursday 16th

Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (1:45pm)

Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (9:30am)

Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance (9:30am)

Last day of the Autumn Term – school closes at 1:30pm

JANUARY

Wednesday 5th

First day of the Spring Term

Please check future newsletters for more information.

NURSERY PLACES

We are currently processing the Nursery applications that have been submitted for January 2022 and will be contacting parents and carers soon. We anticipate that we will have a few full-time and afternoon places available so if you are interested, please contact the school office.

FRIENDS OF THE GORDON (PTA) MEETING

The next FoG meeting will take place on Thursday 14th October at 7pm. Please use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89348511668?pwd=K01JY1g4TnU1bXg3Z2pEQ3hjNGcrdz09> to access the meeting. We will appoint committee members for 2021/22, plan future events and discuss how we will allocate FoG funds to school projects. We look forward to seeing you.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

We have been talking to the children about the importance of Black History Month this week. In today's assembly we shared the stories of some significant people from the past and present including: Ignatius Sancho, Mary Seacole, Nelson Mandela, Katherine Johnson, Carter G Woodson, Olaudah Equiano, Harriet Tubman and Marcus Rashford. Each class will be studying a famous Black person and creating a video to share across the school.

HARVEST DONATIONS

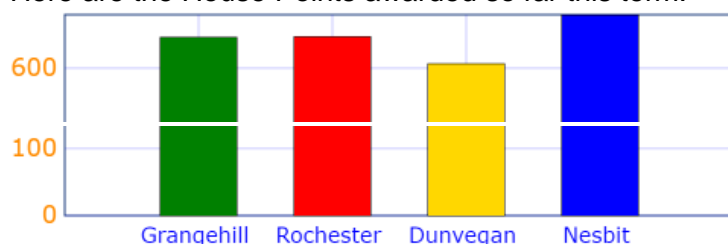
This year we will be supporting the **Eltham & Mottingham Community Foodbank** with our Harvest donations. We can accept tinned, boxed, bottled or packet food that has a long shelf life, and unopened toiletries. No fresh food please! Please ask your child to take your donations to their classroom. Thank you!

PUNCTUALITY

School begins at 8:55am for the children in Reception to Year 6. Please make sure that you are queueing at the gates before this time. The gates open at 8:50am which gives enough time for all of the children to join their line. We have several families that are regularly arriving after 8:55am. Please make sure your child arrives on time. Thank you.

HOUSE POINTS

Here are the House Points awarded so far this term:



CHRISTMAS CARDS - REMINDER

If you would like to buy your child's Christmas cards you will need to place your order online **by 12th October**. You must also **return the artwork to the class teacher** as we need to send it to the printers so they can scan it and create the cards. All funds raised will support FoG projects. Thank you for your support.

YEAR 6 SCHOOL JOURNEY

50 children from **Year 6** went off on their School Journey to PGL Liddington in Wiltshire this week. They took part in lots of exciting outdoor activities such as climbing, abseiling, the zip wire and canoeing and will, no doubt, be exhausted when they return this afternoon! Many thanks go to Ms Morton, Ms White, Mrs Cordery, Mr Llewellyn and Mrs Andrews for accompanying the children.



Comet (R): Oscar for being so kind and caring

Rocket (R): Freya for showing kindness and sensitivity to everyone in the class

Europa (1): Clara for fantastic effort in phonics and improvement in reading

Halo (1): Polly for always being kind, caring and enthusiastic

Apollo (2): Amber for a great effort with her handwriting this week

Zodiac (2): Amaani for fantastic effort in maths this week

Asteroid (3): Jack for writing a wonderful poem

Cosmos (3): Bailey for superb focus and enthusiasm for learning the recorder

Andromeda (4): James for recognising and writing expanded noun phrases

Discovery (4): Pavel for great effort in maths using the column method for addition

Orion (5): Daniel for excellent participation and enthusiasm when singing Harvest songs in music

Supernova (5): Ema for an excellent poem during the poetry workshop assembly

Year 6: The School Journey party for being excellent ambassadors for our school.

PERFORMANCE TIMETABLE 21/22

Nursery – Christmas Singalong

Reception – Christmas Singalong

Year 1 – Nativity

Year 2 – Nativity

Year 3 – Gordon Day (March 2022)

Year 4 – Gordon Day (March 2022)

Year 5 – Harvest Festival (October 2021)

Year 6 – Young Voices (January 2022)

Leavers Production (July 2022)

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Last week's attendance awards went to **Zodiac**, **Discovery** and **Scorpius** classes. Well done children!

Telephone: 020 8850 5486

email: office@gordon.greenwich.sch.uk

website: www.gordonprimary.co.uk

Friends of the Gordon (PTA)

Facebook: Friends of Gordon Primary

Website: <https://bit.ly/2T9uK7x>