



Georgian Gardens Primary School

Newsletter Friday 26th November

<https://www.georgiangardens.w-sussex.sch.uk/>

Please note—all school letters sent via 'Ping' will now also be available on our school website

We have a sporting superstar in our midst!

Many of you may not know that Mr Alcorn (Y4 class teacher) plays water polo at an extremely high level. He was once awarded the title of 'most valuable player' by the British Water Polo Team in May 2020. He attended the 2012 Olympic Games in London as part of Team GB but spent the games on the subs bench. It is with great excitement that we can announce that he has been picked for the England team to play in a tournament this week-end. Ten years of anticipation, many more years of hard work to reach his goal. To us, he is not just representing his country but he is also representing GG and we are so very proud of him. On Wednesday, the whole school spread out around the playgrounds to give him a special GG send off to the competition. We can not wait to see him again on Monday to hear all about it.



Mr Alcorn will be playing in the water polo EU Nations Senior Mens Championships, held in **Brno, Czech Republic**. The competition runs from Thursday 25th until Sunday the 28th and consists of 12 teams. Slovakia, Belgium, Switzerland, Egypt, Austria, South Africa, Wales and the Czechs. We have been drawn in a tough group against the Lithuanian's and Ukranians. They play twice on the Friday to decide places for the second round of groups and then play twice more on Saturday, before a final game on Sunday morning. A pretty tough schedule! There will be a live stream on You Tube – search for it on the competition days to keep an eye on how it is all going.

Here is a link to a basic guide to water polo. There are some new rules which have been introduced since it was made but it does give you a good idea of this most difficult of sports. Photographs courtesy of Trevor Hyde Photography

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X9NkKHYGFTI>

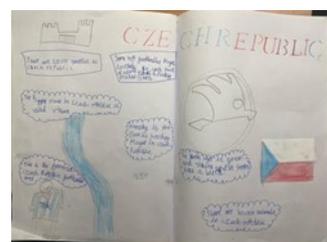


Good luck Mr Alcorn!



Y4 are Mr Alcorn's biggest fans!

The children have spent time researching the Czech Republic and water polo. They also had the chance to see him play in some of his first match as they arrived at school on Friday.





Here are some key dates which are coming up:

Nativity: Details have been sent out to KS1 parents.

Christmas lunch: Friday 10th December—see Ping for details and booking information

Christmas jumper day: Fri 10th December

End of term: Friday 17th December (Full list of term dates can be found on page 4)

Science Website:

This is a link to a great free science website which Mr Ansell has discovered. It covers all the different areas of the curriculum we do at Georgian Gardens with great photos and lots of videos. It also has loads of background information about the subjects with teaching ideas and activities to try. <https://explorify.uk/en/activities>

Congratulations to Faith from Y6 who has been selected to play for Sussex cricket. We know that you will be amazing Faith—all the very best. Do let us know how you do.



THE HIVE
**BOOKING NOW OPEN FOR
JANUARY 2022!**
Georgian Gardens, Rustington
ONSITE BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL
CLUB
BOOK ONLINE:
thehive.schoolipal.co.uk
Breakfast Club 7.30am - to school
start
After school Club School finish -
6pm
Email: hiveafterschool@hotmail.com

French phrases taught this week to Key Stage 2 children:

‘Quel age as-tu?’ song (still no singing but hearing it also helps!)

Janvier, fevrier, mars, avril, mai, juin, juillet, aout,

Septembre, octobre, novembre, decembre

Numbers: un deux trois quatre cinq six sept huit neuf dix onze douze treize

Quatorze quinze seize dix-sept dix-huit dix-neuf vingt-et-un

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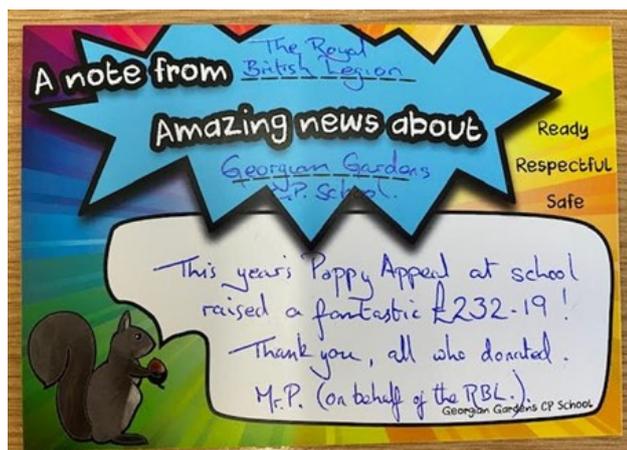
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Year 6 Basketball Finals: See below for the match report written by Sam from Y6



RBL Poppy Appeal:



Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy or any of the other merchandise. On behalf of the Royal British Legion, Mr Pettitt has thank everyone by writing one of our 'over and above' cards.

Match report written by our roving reporter, Sam from Y6

Great team performance from Georgian Gardens.

The team was made up of 7 players, Alesha, Joshua, Howard, Poppy, Rhys, Harry and Harry.

1st game lost 6-2

2nd game won 6-2

Final group stage game lost 10-6

Play off game for 5th place we won 6-2.

Overall place was 5th out of 9 schools.

They all played and worked really well together.

Top scorer was Joshua Most improved player Rhys.

Great team effort and spirit.

Reminders:

Please book your child's Christmas dinner (10th Dec) should they wish to have it.

Thank you for respecting our decision to stick with the one way system round the playground. We are aware that this can be inconvenient but we are very conscious that we want to protect all of our community. Please do not leave school via the YR gate (unless you have a medical reason to not walk around the school).

Please park respectfully outside of the school and drive with care to avoid any injuries.

Y5 trip to The Planetarium, Chichester:

This is always a popular trip! The children learnt about space travel, held space rock and had spent time under the stars in the planetarium itself with a dazzling, enthralling display of views in space.



2021—2022 Term Dates:

INSET DAYS 2nd September 2021, 3rd September 2021, 1st November 2021, 28th February 2022, 27th May 2022

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| 6.9.21 First day of autumn term | 25.10—29.10.21 half term | 17.12.21 Last day of term |
| 4.1.22 First day of spring term | 21.2—25.2.22 half term | 8.4.22 Last day of term |
| 25.4.22 First day of summer term | 30.5.— 3.6.22 half term | <u>21.7.22</u> Last day of term |

Please note that the final day of term is now confirmed as **Thursday 21st July 2022**. This is in lieu of the extra bank holiday for Queen Elizabeth's jubilee.