



## Georgian Gardens Primary School

### Newsletter 14th January 2022

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

It has been another great week in school with the children really engaged with their Spring topics. The new study unit overviews are now available to see on the school website. They give an outline of learning for this term—take a look under the 'Learning' tab and click on 'Curriculum' to find them.

There have been many conversations in class this week about reading—we are currently planning for our school book week which will happen in March and coincides with World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. The school book fair is coming in March, too so there will be the chance to buy some lovely books at the same time as raising money for the school library. It is wonderful to hear about the books which the children are enjoying. YR and KS1 are enjoying our new phonics scheme—'Song of Sounds'. You may have heard your child singing the tune 'Skip to the Lou my Darling' as this forms a large part of their learning. At GG we really do value the importance of reading at home and urge you to try to do so as often as possible. We have recruited our admin staff, hub team and SLT to read with their reading buddy daily in order to give the children the chance to read as often and possible and develop their skills.

***We are always keen to hear from anyone who feels able to come in to school to listen to children read. Please do get in contact with school if this is something you would be interested in doing.***

#### **Year 5 Art:**

The children in Y5 have been painting watercolour sunset scenes and created Ancient Greek style monuments.



You will soon receive a 'Ping' with details on latest guidelines regarding Covid/isolation/testing. Please do read this with care.

#### **Here are some key dates which are coming up:**

14th —18th February	Y6 residential to Sayers Croft (further details about kit list and medical forms coming out soon)
3rd March	World Book Day (details very soon)
9th—14th March	School Book Fair
Monday 21st March	Parents' Evening 3:30—6:00pm
Thursday 24th March	Parents' Evening 3:30—6:00pm

**Weekly Food Pantry: THURSDAYS at drop off time (9am)**

Do you hate food waste? We do too which is why we are holding a weekly food pantry in the huts. Anyone can come in on a Thursday to choose items from the wide selection of food which has been donated from different organisations working together to avoid food waste. Entry to the huts is via the fire door (behind the 'train' on the playground). There is plenty of food so please do come in.



### Water Polo:

We have been sent information about a great opportunity to learn how to play water polo. If your child is:

- In **year 3 or 4**
- Currently pupils offered free school meals / pupil premium
- Confident in water but do not need to be able to swim (we will teach them to swim)
- Have an interested in swimming / balls games
- Would be willing to attend a monthly session regularly

## Session details

The session times and dates are as follows:

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

All sessions are at **Windlesham House School near Findon** and run from **3pm to 4pm** in the shallow end.

To sign up for the first session on **29<sup>th</sup> January**, please use this form: <https://forms.gle/TakzuxTtxcNDZjcw8>

Please see this website for further details— <https://www.drenchedschool.co.uk/free-polo/free-monthly-water-polo-2022/>

**2021—2022 Term Dates:**

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

4.1.22	First day of spring term	21.2—25.2.22	half term	8.4.22	Last day of term
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25.4.22	First day of summer term	30.5.— 3.6.22	half term	<b>21.7.22</b>	Last day of term
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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.

**French words and phrases taught this week:**

As-tu un animal? Do you have a pet?

Un chat, un chien, un lapin, un oiseau, un hamster, une souris, un poisson rouge, une tortue,  
un lièvre, un renard

La famille: la mere, le pere, lasoeur, le frere, la tante, l'oncle, le beau-pere, la belle-mere, la petite-copine, le petit-copain

