



GG News

17th April 2026

Welcome back! We hope that you had a restful and enjoyable break. The children have returned with a spring in their step, excellent attitudes and looking smart. A gentle reminder that PE kits need to be in school all week as PE days can change sometimes depending on weather.

A request, please that if parking in the car park before or after school that you do not park with your exhaust to the flats. Please park 'front first' and engines off to avoid fumes getting in their windows. Thank you.

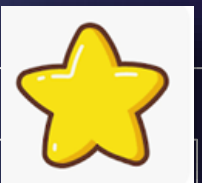
INSET days for next year have been set – see attached sheet for full dates: 1st and 2nd, September, 2nd November, 4th January, 28th May (not 'June' as on previous mailing)

Dates for your diaries:

Thursday 23rd April – **St George's Day** – members of uniformed organisations are allowed to wear their uniforms (Beavers/cubs/Brownies etc)

School discos – Friday 24th April 4:30 – 5:30pm KS1 (parents stay with YR children) 5:45 – 6:45pm KS2 Tickets to be bought beforehand via ParentPay (see recent RMP mailing)

School photos – Tuesday 5th May



Star of the week

1HK Arianna	1KM Damien	2CA Leo	2MC Hallie
3VW Joshua	3HC Ellis	4KC Elsie	4TF Eddie
5RD Abigail	5CT Harley	6HB Angel	6BA Isla

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance in the past week:
6BA 97.2% (they will have 15 minutes choice of a treat next week).

The child with 100% attendance in this last week, chosen by a random generator:

Leo C 1KM – he gets to choose a book from Miss Bowers' selection of prize books.



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OPAL @GG

As you know, we have been busy in recent months preparing to introduce OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning). We are now at the point where we can introduce it to our lunch break times. From Monday, the children will have access to the array of items which you so kindly donated before the Easter break.

In assembly on Thursday, the children were introduced to the principles of OPAL – creativity and imagination. They watched these two video clips:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XZfrmY9tuCM>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EL8bc-iXWQ>

We are starting with the smaller objects this term and will be adding more field based items next term.

A team of Y5 children will be on hand to help distribute the resources as well as support the other children with their play.

We will let you know how it all goes in the near future.





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Sports News:

Netball

Yesterday afternoon some of our Year 5 and 6 Netball Club members took part in the tournament Durrington High School. This was a tournament that they had progressed through from our locality schools. The standard of play was noticeably higher than in the previous tournament, something the children recognised from the very start of their matches.

There were eight other teams competing, all representing different locality areas, despite the challenge our team worked exceptionally well together they supported each other brilliantly in both defence and attack. They showed great determination to win the ball back when possession was lost and scored some fantastic goals throughout the tournament.

Finishing fifth out of nine teams is a fantastic achievement especially given the level of competition. The children should be incredibly proud of their performance. They represented the school wonderfully. I'm extremely proud of each and every one of them. Well done!



Cross Country

Just before the Easter holidays one of our Year 5 pupils, Theo, qualified for the Sussex School Games cross country finals.

Theo travelled to Crawley to compete in the final stage of the event and represented Georgian Gardens incredibly well, competing against a very strong field he finished an impressive 33 out of 200 plus runners, an absolutely fantastic achievement! We are extremely proud of Theo's effort, determination and success. A huge congratulations to him. Well done!



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Using our STEAM space, The Nebula, the Y1 children experimented to see how many smaller containers fitted into a larger container. They estimated first then counted them. This is a great example of how our children make use of this valuable resource.



Y4 have been exploring sound waves.





SCHOOL CONCERT

Georgian Gardens

GG FIRE

- GG Echo
- GG Fire
- The Music Makers Orchestra
- The Choir
- The Soloists

Thursday 21st
May 2026 |
3.15pm

Win

A visit to your primary school from the Find Your Story book bus!

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

Please nominate your Primary School (must be within the UK & ROI) *

Which The Works store are you entering from? *

Win

A visit to your primary school from The Works Find Your Story book bus!

Activities include:

- ★ Read-alongs
- ★ Character meet & greets
- ★ Free book for every child
- ★ Craft activities

THE WORKS

Time well spent

Win

A visit to your primary school from the Find Your Story book bus!

Scan the QR code to find out more and enter.

Activities include:

- ★ Read-a-longs
- ★ Character meet & greets
- ★ A fully stocked library
- ★ Craft activities

Scan to enter!

Click on this QR code for a chance to win a book bus visit to school. Thank you!



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Check this website link of details of the annual play scheme run by Arun church



<https://www.arunchurch.com/latest-news/junglequest>

<https://youtu.be/rOIS3SDHM0Q>



Three great opportunities from Rustington Cricket Club.

ONE FINANCE GROUP



JUNIOR TRAINING
9-15 YEAR OLDS

WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL -
WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY

18:00-19:15




CLIPPER STREET BN16
GENTLEMENS BARBER SHOP

Active for kids

<https://rustingtoncricket.club/juniors/>



DYNAMOS CRICKET

FRIDAY 8TH MAY -
FRIDAY 26TH JUNE

8-11 YEAR OLDS

18:30-19:30

GIRLS ONLY ALL ABILITIES WELCOME






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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 24th April – school discos
 Tuesday 5th May – school photographs
 Monday 11th May – Year 6 SAT tests

Parents' Evenings 3:30pm – 6pm	Mon 20 th Oct / Wed 22 nd Oct	*Wed 25 th Feb/Thurs 26 th Feb* Date changed to allow for book fair	
Open Classrooms From 2:45pm	Mon 24 th Nov	23rd March	22 nd June
Sports Day KS1 am KS2 pm	Thursday 18 th June (back up 25 th June)		
Summer Fair 3:30 – 5:15pm	Fri 26 th June		
Y6 production 1:30pm / 6:30pm	Tues 14 th July pm / Thurs 16 th July pm and evening		
Y6 presentation eve 6pm – 7pm	Mon 20 th July		

Reminder:

We kindly remind you that to contact a member of staff you can:

- speak them at the classroom door at drop off (be conscious that they will not be able to talk for long as they have to start the day promptly or at pick up).
- Call into the office to request an appointment to see someone.
- Phone the office to make an appointment.
- Email via the school office (this will be passed on to the relevant member of staff).

Please do not email after 5:30pm or before 8:00am.

Please do not use other messaging (e.g. Facebook messenger) services to contact staff.

CAR PARKING

Parking in the staff car park is only allowed before 8am and after 4pm (for HIVE / clubs)

Only permit holders / blue badges are allowed in at other times. THIS IS FOR OUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY