

Georgian Gardens January Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 4th February Year 3 Multi skills @ TAS

Wednesday 5th February Parent meeting-school updates (6pm-7pm)

Friday 7th February PTA discos

Monday 10th February KS2 Angmering Mile @ TAS

Wednesday 12th February KS1 Angmering half mile @ TAS

Thursday 13th February Year 4 'Hands on History' Egyptian day

Football/Netball fixture St Johns vs GG

Friday 14th February Inset Day

Monday 17th—Friday 21st Half term

Monday 24th February First day back

Thursday 27th February Book Fair

Monday 2nd March Year 6 touch ball taster @ TAS

Tuesday 3rd March John Kirk storyteller

Parents evening

Thursday 5th March World Book Day—dress up as your favourite

book character

Last day of book fair

Parents evening

Library book amnesty

Over recent years, we have been very fortunate in having some funds to purchase a great range of new books for our library. Mrs Sims, our wonderful volunteer librarian spends a lot of time in the library, along with our super Year 6 librarians, organising and tidying the books. In recent months it has become obvious that a large number of books have been borrowed but not returned. We would be very grateful if you could have a good look at home to see if there are any lurking under beds, on tables, in drawers. If you do find a school book, could you please send it back in to the library with your child. Many thanks.

Mrs Trahern

Dear Families

Welcome to our first monthly newsletter, I hope that you have found the weekly updates informative and easier to gain key information!

We have had a busy start back with fabulous opportunities for children happening in every year group. Year 2 enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year this week! Congratulations to our KS2 pupils who competed in the Southern Area Partnership Indoor Athletics Finals earlier this week, we are proud to report that we came 7th out of 45 schools competing. We have also seen a significant increase in the number of pupils accessing music lessons in school which is fantastic.

At the end of this half term, Mrs Yates in Year 1 will be leaving us as Mrs Chapman returns from her maternity leave. We wish Mrs Yates every success in the future.

As always we appreciate your continued support.

Miss A Bowers



A very big **THANK YOU** to the Year 6 Chatterbooks clubs and their parents for raising over £200 in July & December 2019 for the Unity School in Mombasa, Kenya.

Carol Groves, the Chairman and other members of the Friends of Mombasa Charity, are currently visiting the Unity School and have taken the plaque below to display outside the classroom named 'Georgian Gardens' as a permanent record of their thanks.



Year 6 visit

Last term, Y6 had a visitor talk to us about what to do to keep ourselves and others safe when travelling by train. Following the visit, the children had to produce a poster out-lining how to keep safe on the trains. The lucky winners, Megan and Hattie won a free family day out on the trains.

Well done!

Accelerated Reader

The children have been busy reading recently and completing their 'Accelerated Reader' in school. Remember that you can keep track of how they are doing in their quizzes by logging on to:

<u>www.UKhosted25.renlearn.co.uk/1894653/HomeConnect</u> The user name and password needed is the one that your child uses in school for Accelerated Reader.

Parking

Unfortunately we have received several calls and photos from local residents about dangerous driving and antisocial parking around the school at the beginning and end of the day.

I know pick up and drop off times are very busy for everyone but would like to remind parents that in order to keep children safe we are all responsible for considerate, safe driving and parking around the school. That means acting within the law:

- No stopping, waiting or parking on the yellow zig zag lines at the front or back of the school
- No parking opposite or within ten metres of a junction
- No parking over a dropped kerb

In addition, we would ask that you park considerately for our neighbours who are so supportive of our
school.

Wherever possible we would like to encourage families to walk to school as this is a great way for you and children to exercise together - and it can positively contribute to a child's development and academic performance. I understand this isn't possible for every family and hope that through considerate driving and parking everyone's journey to school, whether by car or on foot, will be safer and less stressful.

We could encourage anyone who witnesses antisocial driving or illegal parking to report this to the Police via the Operation Crackdown website http://www.operationcrackdown.org. You will need to have a note of the vehicle's make, model and licence plate number as well as the location of the incident.





PTA DISCO

Friday 7th February 2020

KS1 4.30pm—5.30pm

(Year R must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the disco)

KS2 5.45pm—6.45pm

(all children must be collected by an adult)

£3 per child payable on the door and includes a glow stick, a drink and a biscuit.

Further glow sticks are available to purchase on the night.

Calling all families, we need your help!!!

If you shop online, please could you sign up to easyfundraising to support Georgian Gardens C P School. It's a really easy way to raise money for our school – just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S. When you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

We want to raise as much as possible, so please visit our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/georgiangardenssch/ and click 'support us'. Thank you!

Friends of Angmering Station

Children from Georgian Gardens have participated in the art activities displayed at Angmering Station. The display in The Booking Office and the painted pebbles in the garden area have been much admired by staff and passengers at the station.

Victoria Garcia MBE who is Chairperson of the Sussex Community Rail Partnership West Coastway South sent the following message....

"This is really impressive. Not only making a warm, incredible welcome to the station, the young people involved have something to be very proud of.

Thank you for all you and all your group do. Please do pass on mine and the Community Rail Partnership thanks and really well done to everyone involved. Especially the young people."





Homework Help!

We are very aware that there are times when the homework children bring home can be on a subject that parents are unsure about or wish to look into further. Over the next few weeks we shall be telling you about some of the many websites that exist to support parents and children at home. These are all available on our school website. Here's the next one to add on from last week:

http://www.starfall.com/n/level-a/learn-to-read/play.htm?f

Parents Forum

Join us for our Parent Forum where everyone is welcome! Ask questions, find out information, offer ideas and suggestions. We will be in the Family Room, just turn up. If you want to add anything to the agenda then please email it to the school office in advance!

Coffee, Tea and Biscuits provided

Wednesday 11th March @2pm



Spring Term 2020

Mon. 6th Jan. – Fri. 14th Feb. (1st half of Spring Term)

Mon. 17th Feb. – Fri. 21st Feb. (half term)

Mon. 24th Feb. – Fri. 3rd April (2nd half of Spring Term)

Mon. 6th April – Fri. 17th April (Easter Break)

Summer Term 2020

Mon. 20th April – Fri. 22nd May (1st half of Summer Term)

Mon. 4th May (Bank Holiday)

Mon. 25th May – Fri. 29th May (half term)

Mon. 1st June – Mon. 20th July (2nd half of Summer Term)

INSET DAY DATES - (School closed for children)

Friday 14th February 2020

Monday 20th April 2020

Monday 20th July 2020