

News this week...



New Term off to a GREAT Start!

We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the children into their new classes for this academic year. Over the coming weeks they will continue to develop new and renew old friendships as they continue on their learning journey.

We'd like to welcome all our new pupils, parents and families who have now joined Reception and Nursery and look forward to working together in partnership with you.

ParentPay Lunch Ordering

Please remember that all school lunches must be ordered online from home. If you have not yet activated your ParentPay account, please can you do so as soon as possible, even if you are not ordering school lunches. If you need help using the ParentPay website, please call into the school office and the team will be happy to help.



Polite Reminders

As the new term begins, we would like to remind you of the following messages:

- Please be mindful of our neighbours living close to the school and use the public car parks if you need to drive your child to school.
- Please be careful with litter while waiting near our school gates and use the rubbish bins provided in the local area.



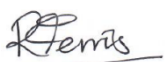
Diary Dates

Please look later in this newsletter for our first update of diary dates for the coming months. We will try to give as much notice as possible when things are planned and will notify you if these plans need to change.

We are only able to organise these events, trips and workshops with contributions from our parent community. Without your support, we would not be able to arrange such fun and enriching activities and visitors for the children.

We're looking forward to sharing lots of news about our GREAT learning next week!

Thank you for your continued support and have a relaxing weekend!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Richard Ferris'.

Richard Ferris
Headteacher



Attendance Stars

Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Caterpillars and Foxes (**100%**)

2nd Place – Red Butterflies (98.3%)

3rd Place – Badgers (98.0%)



After School Clubs

We are beginning to run our clubs for this term, flyers for these can be found later in this newsletter.

Fencing – Years 1-6, every Tuesday, starting 16th September

Judo – Years 1-6, every Wednesday, started this week

Nerf Club – Years 3-6, every Thursday, started this week

Football – Years 3-6, every Friday, started this week



Booking for these clubs is direct with the organisers and not through the school. Details can be found on the flyers at the end of this newsletter.

Update from Brigade – our uniform supplier



We have received notification this week that our uniform suppliers are ahead with their predicted order dispatches. Orders that were placed with them before 22nd August will be despatched by the end of this week.

Their current lead time is 21 days for any orders placed. If you have any queries about an order, please email sales@brigade.uk.com for assistance.

Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER 2025	
Tuesday 23 rd	FRoGS PTA AGM @ 6.30pm – all welcome, please come to the main school entrance
Wednesday 24 th	Years R-6: Flu Immunisations – consent is needed for children to have the immunisation; letters were emailed home this week
	Year 4: Greek Day – letter to follow
Thursday 25 th	Year 2: Great Fire of London Workshop with Rainbow Theatre – letter to follow, approx. cost £14
Tuesday 30 th	Years R-6: Parents' Evening 1: 3.40-6.00pm – letter to follow, online via Teams

OCTOBER 2025

Date TBC:	Year 3: Trip to Stonehenge – letter to follow, approx. cost £20
Wednesday 1 st	Whole School: Individual Pupil Photos
Thursday 2 nd	Sibling Photos (pupils in school only)
	Years R-6: Parents' Evening 2: 4.00-7.00pm – letter to follow, online via Teams
Wednesday 8 th	Year 6: NCMP Height and Weight Checks – letter to follow
Thursday 16 th	Reception: Harvest Performance: Silver Hall at 2.30pm
Friday 17 th	Reception: Family Learning English 'Busy Bags' – 9.00-10.30am
Monday 20 th	Years N-4: Diwali Workshop in school – approx. cost will be less than £5
Wednesday 22 nd	INSET DAY – pupils not in school
Thursday 23rd to Friday 31st	HALF TERM BREAK

NOVEMBER 2025

Monday 3 rd	Whole School: Pupils return to school
Thursday 6 th	FROGS PTA: Family Firework Display – more info to follow
Monday 3 rd to Thursday 13 th	GHPS hosting the Healthy Living Exhibition from South Hill Park, which includes work from last year's Year 3 pupils
Tuesday 25 th to Monday 1 st	Book Fair – open daily after school
Wednesday 26 th	Year 1: Family Learning Maths '100 Square' – 1.45-3.10pm
Thursday 27 th	Year 2: Family Learning Maths 'Criss-Cross Addition' – 9.00-10.30am

These dates are subject to change, we will try to give as much notice as possible!



Judo For Schools



GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY STARTING 10TH SEPTEMBER TO 15TH OCTOBER 2025
TIME FROM 3.15 TO 4.15 PM

THE COST FOR THE COURSE IS £39 FOR 6 WEEKS

All bookings are made via email to: JudoForSchools@judoclubosaka.com

Please include the following information in your email:

Subject Line of email: <Day and name of school>

Student's Name: Year Group & Class:

Any medical/allergy information or anything else that we need to know about:

My child will be collected from the school hall OR Walk home on their own?

Emergency Contact Details:

Your Name: Phone Number:

Second Contact Name: Phone Number:

Payment Method: Bank Transfer

Details of how to pay will be forwarded to you once the place has been confirmed. Failure to pay before the start of the course will forfeit the place.

Please note that places are limited to 25 students per course; places will be allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis, as we operate an ongoing progressive course. You will be notified by email as to whether your child has a place or not.

Once your child has a place, they should wear jogging bottoms and preferably a long sleeved t-shirt. It is also advisable that your child has a named water bottle with them.

By applying for a place you are accepting that Judo For Schools coaches cannot be held responsible for injury or loss/damage to personal property.

Judo For Schools is compliant with the EU GDPR legislation.
The data collected is for our use only and never shared with any third parties.

S4K AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AT GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

🕒 3:20PM - 4:25PM
£ £6.50 PER SESSION

AUTUMN 2025

STARTING IN THE NEW TERM!

📅 THU 🏹 NERF
YEARS 3-6

📅 FRI ⚽ FOOTBALL
YEARS 3-6

BOOK NOW



LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE

Sport4Kids Multi-Sport Clubs at Great Holland School provide children with an opportunity to make new friends, try new sports and learn new skills all whilst keeping fit in a safe environment!

WWW.SPORT4KIDS.BIZ

CALL 0300 303 3866



Dear Parent

Little Musketeers at Great Hollands Primary School | Green Term – Self-Confidence

Little Musketeers are back offering a fun, safe and educational environment for young children to learn the sport of fencing. What child has not grown up pretending to be a swashbuckling pirate, a duelling Musketeer, or even the master of swordplay himself, Zorro? Why do they do it? Because it's fun!

Little Musketeers provide bright coloured foam and plastic foils and plastic masks with mesh visors that are safe and yet hard enough to give children the real feel of fencing. We ensure visors are worn at all times giving peace of mind as well as that genuine fencing experience.

Little Musketeers classes are designed and managed by Olympic fencer and 4 times British National Champion James Beevers. All staff are CRB checked, First Aid certified and trained personally by James.

This term's course will focus on building your child's **self-confidence** as well as working on their **hand, eye and feet co-ordination**! Once the course is completed, they will be awarded with the **Green term wristband**.

We hope you can join us for our **12-week course** as follows:

- Tuesday 16th September - Tuesday 09th December 2025 / 15:30 - 16:30 / Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6

The cost for the course will be £96.00 per child.

If your child would like to sign up for this course, please visit:

<https://bookings.littlemusketeers.com>

Once there, follow the instructions to complete your booking online. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

Yours Faithfully

Jen Parsons
jen@littlemusketeers.com



BE SMART ONLINE



S SAFE Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe. 

M MEET Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk 

A ACCEPTING Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you. 

R RELIABLE You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found. 

T TELL Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk 

BE SMART WITH A HEART Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online. 

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