



# GHPS Update

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcomed back more children to school. They have settled into their new pods and although things are a little different in school, I have to say we have all adjusted very well.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers to keep to their specified drop off and pick up times to enable us to maintain social distancing on and around the school site and please do not arrive early for school.

If your child is eligible and you need to request a new place in our Critical Key Worker provision, please contact the office [GHPSoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:GHPSoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org) to arrange a place.

As you will know the government recently announced that they will not be asking schools to prepare to welcome back pupils in Years 2-5. We are still waiting for detailed guidance from the Department for Education and once this is released we will plan what this looks like for GHPS, both for now and for September.

Please know that we are continuing to work hard for all of our children, by reducing class sizes to pods of 15 we have doubled the number of staff needed to teach the pods. This leaves us with less staff to support pupils learning at home, however we have managed to re-organise and can keep providing home learning resources to all pupils who need them. I would like to thank the hardworking, dedicated staff who have been working throughout the pandemic and who are now stepping up even further to support our children here at GHPS.

This week I am delighted to share with you all some terrific achievements I have been hearing about. Special recognition goes to:

**Art** (Y6) for always trying his best with home learning tasks and using Google Classroom really effectively to improve his learning, **Charlie** (Y6) for engaging so well with home learning tasks. **Bailey** (Y5) for his super spellings; **Olivia** (Y5) for producing a brilliant PowerPoint fact file on New York, also **Holly** (Y5) for excellent research on South Carolina and **Michelle** (Y5) for her fantastic Florida research. **Austin** (Y4) for using his STEM skills to build models; Congratulations go to **India** (Y4) for winning an art competition at the Lexicon with her mixed media mermaid picture and **Reggie** (Y4) has taken some GREAT pictures of his science experiment to soften the shell of an egg! **Laura** (Y3) was awarded a medal for her cycling, amazing achievement! **Riley** (Y3) for having such an organised system of folders for his home learning and completing it every day. **Demi** (Y2) for wonderful monster description writing and seaside research, **Archie** (Y2) for all his super maths practice on Mathletics, **Freya** (Y1) for using her sounds so well to blend words; **Joseph** (Y1) for writing some super acrostic poems. In the Reception classes, **Andriana** has sent in a lovely video about growing her bean plant and has also completed some beautiful writing about the Blue Balloon story and **Thomas** has shared some fabulous photographs of his garden project, well done to all of you!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch by emailing the school office: [GHPSOffice@maidenerleghtrust.org](mailto:GHPSOffice@maidenerleghtrust.org)

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R Ferris".

**Richard Ferris**  
Headteacher

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### Virtual School Sports Challenge

The scores for the sports challenges have been coming in and Mr Roberts would like to say a big well done to **Skyla-Rose** and **Ynette** for getting some fantastic high scores in the cricket challenge this week. They really are dominating the competition at the moment! Don't forget to send your scores in to Mr Roberts via email at [GHPSOffice@maidenerlegtrust.org](mailto:GHPSOffice@maidenerlegtrust.org)

We have added some more resources to our website, please do pop online and check out all the fun activities in our [PE Resources](#) section. We'd love to hear about how well you get on trying them out. Any emails can be sent to Mr Roberts via the school office.

*Keep up the GREAT effort, stay safe, active and healthy.*

### School Nursing Support

Berkshire Healthcare is launching a new School Nursing advice and support line for children, young people and their families, to offer health advice and referral into the service for on-going support if needed. The line will be available from 9.00am to 4.30pm, Monday to Friday.

The service can be accessed by dialling 0118 931 2111 and selecting 'Option 4' to speak to a School Nurse from the team.

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