

Weekly Update

Friday 1st July

Updates This Week

Sports Day

Parents of children in Years 1-6 should have received a letter today regarding Sports Day for Key Stages 1&2. This is also available on our website.

School Trips next week

- The children in Years 1&2 will be enjoying a learning trip to the seaside on Tuesday in line with their topic work for the half term. They will be visiting the RNLI and exploring life in Littlehampton.
- Year 5 children will also be having their trip next week, after it was previously postponed by the venue. They will be off to Henley River Museum to continue their learning topic.
- To finish up a very busy week, the Year 6 children will be off on their residential trip to Runways End Activity Centre from Wednesday to Friday, we wish them all an amazing time!

End of Year Reports

The end of year reports will be sent home with your child on Monday 18th July. Please read the accompanying information guides that will come with the report. As a school we feel that our children have done amazingly well this year despite the pandemic. Again I just need to publicly thank the school team for all they have done this year – going the extra mile to do the very best for the children.

Meeting New Teachers

All the children will meet their new class teachers on Monday 18th July. In the morning they will have time in their new area of the school, getting to know the layout and where to come in when they return in September.

This can be an exciting and anxious time for children and there has been a considerable amount of thought, effort and time devoted to organising the classes for the new academic year. Please be aware that we do not accommodate parental requests for particular teachers or classes.

Term Dates 2022-23

Our term dates for 2022-23 have been available on the school website for quite some time to enable you to manage family holidays in order to not interrupt the children's time in school unnecessarily. The term dates can be found here: <u>Term Dates 2022-23</u>

When booking holidays for next year, please bear in mind that we are unable to authorise leave of absence requests for family holidays, and unauthorised absences will trigger a parental fine from the Local Authority. If you need to complete a leave of absence form, please contact the school office.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

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Richard Ferris Headteacher

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 5th July – Year 1/2 Trip to Littlehampton
Tuesday 5th July – Year 6 Transition (Easthampstead Park School only)
Wednesday 6th to Friday 8th July – Year 6 Residential Trip to Runways End Activity Centre
Friday 8th July – Year 5 Trip to Henley River Museum
Monday 11th-Friday 15th July – Year 6 Treat Week
Friday 15th July – Sports Day for Years 1-6
Monday 18th July – Year 6 Prom
Wednesday 20th July – Year 6 Graduation Assembly
Wednesday 20th July – Last Day of Summer Term, school finishes at 2.15pm



Monday 5th September – Start of Autumn Term

Summer Holiday Clubs and HAF (Holiday Activities and Food Programme)

Exciting News! Our holiday club will soon be included in the HAF programme!

We are really pleased to be running a summer holiday club this year at GHPS, working together with Sport4Kids. We're finalising all the details but should be part of the HAF programme by the end of term – we will update you as soon as this is confirmed!

Also, don't forget that if you book a space for your child before 4^{th} July, you will be eligible for 25% off using the code: GH25OFF

Further information about the HAF provision can be found here: <u>Holiday Activities and Food</u> <u>Programme</u>

It's all about Reading at GHPS

At GHPS we love reading, and we want to continue to encourage our pupils to develop their own joy of reading for pleasure.

Book Fair

We will be welcoming the book fair into school from Tuesday 12th to Monday 18th July and it will be on every day from 3.10pm to3.45pm. All books will be '3 for 2' so do come along and pick up some super summer reading!

National Book Tokens

The National Book Tokens competition allows you to nominate our school to win £1000 to spend on new books, and you could also win £100 to spend in your favourite bookshop or online! Please visit the National Book Tokens Website for more information and to enter the competition.

Summer Reading Challenge

Next week, the children in Years 1-5 will have an assembly to help promote the Summer Reading Challenge being launched by The Reading Agency. The challenge event takes place between 9th July and 10th September. Full details are available on the Summer Reading Challenge website: <u>https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</u>

School Nurse Drop-in Sessions Available

On 4th July we have some parent drop-in sessions available with the school nurse. There are three sessions, each 15-minutes long, with the earliest one being at 2.00pm.

The school nursing team can help with concerns around sleep, toileting, diet, weight, healthy eating, fussy eating, allergies, and many other issues, they will be able to signpost to the most relevant service and/or offer advice depending on the case.

Please let us know if you think you and your child would benefit from attending one of these sessions by emailing the SEN team direct at: ghpssen@maidenerleghtrust.org

Attendance Stars



Classes with the highest attendance this week:

1st Place – Panthers (98.1%) 2nd Place – Leopards (98.1%) 3rd Place – Eagles (98.0%)



House Points

House points have been totaled up across the school and the winners this week are **SAPPHIRE** with an amazing **502** house points! This includes all the points won at last week's Year 6 Enterprise Fete. Well done to everyone in Sapphire, GREAT work!

Parking at pick up and drop off

Please do continue to be mindful of our neighbours and do not park your car in Cunworth Court or any other residential area when coming to our school.

It causes unnecessary upset for people living nearby when parents of our pupils' park in residents' bays and block access for them. We are very fortunate to have two large public car parks very close to our school, please use these and not the residential car parks. Thank you!

