



George Tomlinson News



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a very busy week here at GT!

On Monday we celebrated the start of our new topics with a Wow Day! From dress up and treasure hunts to cookery and art, the children completed a range of activities to get them excited about the topic they will be learning this term. Thank you to the teachers for organising such fun and immersive events!

Also on Monday I held an assembly to explain the reasons behind why we celebrate Bonfire Night on 5th November. Children learnt about the plot to blow up parliament and the rather gory ways in which the unsuccessful conspirators were punished!

On Tuesday we welcomed in David Britton from St John's Church, along with a very special guest! David brought along Bill Allan who is a 98 year old war veteran who fought in WW2 and whose father fought in WW1. Bill was able to share some memories of those days and it was very emotional for him. Bill was born in Leytonstone and actually went to school at Davies Lane. We thank them both for coming to visit us to discuss Remembrance Sunday with the children and detail what it means.

On Wednesday we held a meeting for our Snowdon girls and their parents. We've been told the weather is pretty frosty in Wales at present but the trip organisers are very used to inclement weather and we will bring extra layers! On Friday, they went with Jake and Jadie to Epping Forest and completed a seven mile walk! This is about the same length as the climb and descent at Snowdon - well done girls you are ready for this and we believe in you!

We were excited to announce this week that we are recording our very own Christmas CD this year! On November 26th we will welcome a professional recording company into school who will set up a recording studio. Each year group will go and record their song which will then be made into a CD for sale from the start of December in school. Copies can be paid for via ParentPay. Please complete the slip at the bottom of the letter we sent out this week and pre-order your copy! All funds will go back into the school towards musical instruments.

Thank you so much to our wonderful PTFA who were in charge of putting on our fabulous discos this Thursday! The children had an amazing time with their friends and it was a huge success. These events take a huge amount of organising and we appreciate the effort and time taken to prepare for this. Thank you to everyone who brought their children along!

Weekly Events

English conversation classes
for Parents and Carers – Every
Monday 9 – 10:15 am

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Head Teacher Drop-in – Every
Wednesday between
9:15 am and 11 am
(Please book at the office)

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Toddler Group
every Wednesday
from 9:15 – 10:45 am

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Parents' Reading Morning
with children in Y1, Y2 & Y3 –
Every Thursday between
8:45 am and 9:15 am

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Whole school Star of the
Week assembly – every Friday
at 9 am

Upcoming dates

12th – 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 12th November

Year 5 trip to the Science
Museum

Tuesday 13th November

- Otters Class visit to
Leytonstone Library at
9 am
- Pine Martens trip to
Leytonstone Library at
1 pm
- Class Assembly – Year
5 Obama at 9:15 am

Thursday 15th November

Reception Parents' Math's
Workshop at 3:30 pm

Thursday 15th & Friday 16th

November

Snowdon Trip

SAVE THE DATE

Friday 30th November

PTFA Quiz Night

I hope that you have found the coffee mornings useful that have happened this week. Tuesday's was around Autism and was run by Jo Bell who is a specialist in this field from the Local Authority.

On Friday all of our Year 4 classes went to the Science Museum! They had a wonderful time and enjoyed the many great activities on offer there which related to their topic of Electricity!

On Friday we held our Open Day for prospective parents to GT! It was a great success and it is so wonderful to hear parents talking about the school's positive reputation in the community now.

Next week is anti-bullying week and we have a range of activities, assemblies and performance related to the subject which will hopefully support children to call out any bullying they see and remind them how to seek help should they need it.

Well done to all of our Stars this week, there were wonderful reasons as to why they were selected and we are very proud of you all.

I would like to thank the parents who came to help out with fixing the lining of the pond last weekend! To give up your spare time is hugely generous of you and we are so grateful! You will notice that the pond decking is nearly now complete. The water is in and we just need to apply the filter so that we can get the water right for it to become a healthy habitat for fish and insects! Once the fence is painted and the fire pit is in place, our garden will be complete. I will let you know when this is done and we welcome you to come and take a look. I can't wait to see children pond dipping and working on benches by the pond during the warmer months!

Have a wonderful weekend with your families!

Verity Carter
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For discounts on books please visit,

<https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/search/search?log=t&search%5Bquery%5D=vouchers>

School will receive commission on anything you spend.

Attendance

1st, Y2E, 100.0%

2nd, Y3C, 98.4%

3rd, Y2F, 98.1%

No Late Marks, Y1C, Y1K, Y2B, Y2E, Y3B, Y3CA, Y4D, Y4M, Y4W, Y5G,

Star of the Week



A massive **WELL DONE** to our **STARS** this week:

*Suleman, Melissa, Ayesha, Vanessa, Kayden, Hasenat, Nishitha, Martin,
Jumaima, Ayaan, Zoya, Oliver, Will*



Children are nominated by the Midday Assistants to eat at the Top Table with a member of the Senior Leadership Team for exceptional behavior in and around the dining hall.
Well done!



PTFA
Quiz
NIGHT
Friday 30th November
in the school hall with a bar
7.30pm for 8pm start
Come in a team of up to 6 or
on your own. Friends and
neighbours welcome!
Buy tickets from the school
office or email Elly:
ejwatsonuk@hotmail.com
£10
inc. fish and
chips



Looking for Childcare before and after school?
Prefer your children in a home based setting?
Registered Childminder has vacancies.
Starting from as early as 7:00 am before school
and up to 6:00 after school, but later times are negotiable.
Please phone Lynn on 07542 885164