

George Tomlinson News

Dear Parents and Carers,

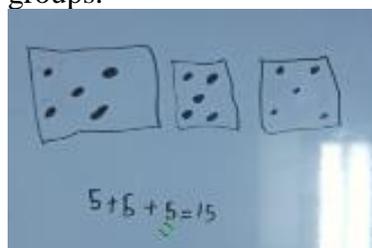


Verity Carter
Headteacher,
Lead DSL

It has been a busy and productive week. I have had the pleasure of seeing the children's work during my learning walk this week.

In **Year 2** children are reading 'The tunnel' by Anthony Browne for their English unit. They have been comparing characters and settings of the story and had the opportunity to participate in role play.

For Maths, children have been learning about adding equal groups.



In Project Based Learning the children have worked hard making castles and shields at home.



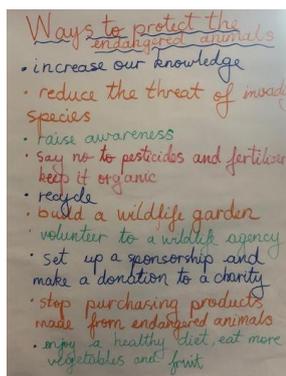
Sadari Shakes
Acting Assistant Headteacher

Year 3 are working on Zaraffa Giraffa and writing their own version of it. Next week they will be writing their own playscript based on their version of the story. I look forward to seeing their play. Year 3 have introduced a display of 'Award Worthy Work' where a piece of work is chosen in each class for maths and English subjects. It is wonderful to see the children's work on display next to my office.



Jessica Mendelssohn
Acting Deputy Headteacher,
EYFS Co-ordinator

Year 4 are working on Endangered animals and ways to protect them in their English topic. They are creating facts about endangered animals.



I also saw this wonderful display of their Mayan project on display in the class.



Parisa Angeletos SENDCo
Inclusion Manager,
Deputy DSL

Weekly Events

For safety reasons, our usual weekly events are all cancelled until further notice.

Upcoming dates

Friday 28th May – last day before half term

Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June – School closed for half term

Monday 7th June – Children back to school

Thursday 22nd July – Last day of the summer term

Year 5 are writing stanza poems about Victorian workhouses and Victorian schools. It was wonderful to hear the children's knowledge about the Victorian times.

Year 6 are taking inspirations from Greta Thunberg and writing essays about climate change. I look forward to seeing their published work.

On Thursday our staff and children celebrated Eid. We wish you all a very happy Eid.



Children's mental health and wellbeing

We are seeing some of the impact of lockdown in our children this week. We are encouraging the children to talk about their feelings and use the calm corners to regulate their emotions. Please encourage your child/ren to do something different during this weekend and take advantage of being outdoors perhaps play an outdoor game, learn a new skill such as cooking, sewing, cycling, basketball, tennis, football. Having an extra-curricular activity after lockdown would help to ignite some interest or a hobby to engage in.

We will be starting after school clubs activities after half term. Please look out for the list to sign up. One of the activities will be basketball which will be led by our coaches Kiyle.



Just a reminder that children need to hand in their mobile phones when they are in school.

Library books, there are currently **191** books overdue and not returned from the library, we have sent out reminders. Unfortunately after 3 reminders a charge will be added to ParentPay to clear the account. Please have a look for any outstanding GT library books.



Lastly, our in-school mental health support service, Place2Be, has just launched a new site for parents and carers called Parenting Smart.

Parenting Smart offers practical advice on supporting your child and managing behaviour, with short articles and videos on a range of topics such as meltdowns, anxiety, building secure relationships, homework, transition to secondary school, sleep difficulties and many other issues.

Please visit the Parenting Smart site at place2be.org.uk/parentingsmart

I hope you enjoy the weekend and look forward to seeing you next week.

Mrs Parisa Angeletos
SENDCO and Inclusion Manager

Pick of the Week:

This week's pick is: <https://www.tate.org.uk/kids>

What is it?

Whilst we are waiting for the day when all the exciting Art galleries are back open, why not explore what TATE kids has on their website and get your inner artist excited again? The website is a fantastic resource for kids of all ages which is packed full of activities you can do at home, as well as a range of fun quizzes and games to test your knowledge. Fancy making a soundscape? How about going on a color walk? What is Surrealism? There are some great videos and biographies which tell you more about a range of artists and their techniques. I wonder what you will create? I would love to see!

Ms Shakes

Attendance

1st - Y1K - 97.5%

2nd - Y6M - 93.4%

3rd - Y6P - 92.3%

No late marks - Y1K, Y3B, Y3CA, Y4D, Y4W, Y5M, Y5O & Y6P

FRIDAY 28 MAY 2021



Suggested donation £1
(cash on the day or QR code)



**All money raised goes to
the school PTFA fund which
pays for trips, activities and
school equipment!**

Yes!
You can wear what you like!

Good news!

Thank you to everyone who has helped the PTFA to raise money this term including: **£1,313 from the Sponsored walk, £200 from uniform sales, £94 from the Easter trail, £271 from Amazing hair day, £1650 from the Spring Raffle plus donations via Amazon Smile, Easy fundraising and Parent Pay.**

Our recent meeting agreed funding of **over £4400** to support the following exciting activities and new equipment in our school, as requested by teachers:

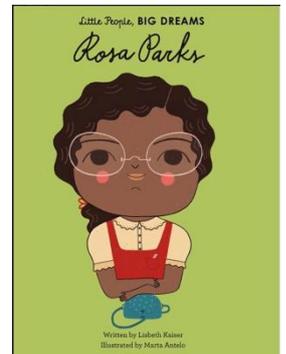
Nursery – handmade tables and chairs so more children are able to stay for lunch and a permanent parasol to create shade on sunny days.

Reception – three play wheelbarrows, one for each class bubble.



Year 1 – non-fiction books and books about a range of people in response to children's request.

Year 5 and Year 6 – workshops from the Natural Cycle Development Programme.



Year 6 – workshops from professionals as part of the “Staying Healthy” curriculum and a personalised year book as a leaving gift from George Tomlinson.

All years Reception to Year 6 – Puzzle Fun Day as part of London Maths Week

All year groups – A special surprise summer fun day at the end of term

All parents and staff at school are automatically members of the PTFA and we would love to see you at our next meetings and events. Please contact georgetompta@gmail.com with any questions.