

George Tomlinson News

Dear Parents and Carers,

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

Nursery have been busy learning new sounds and using them to play games of 'I Spy!' They've particularly enjoyed doing this at the snack table independently! They have been outside in the mud kitchen, whatever the weather, making concoctions with real tea bags and lots of natural materials!

Reception have enjoyed making their very own post box so that they can write letters to their friends across the YR bubble! They have also been estimating the height of different children using blocks, then checking and comparing them to others.

Year 1 have been busy baking delicious gingerbread people this week and will be working on their own versions of the story!

This week I held an assembly with Year 2 where we discussed empathy and how important it is to support our friends. The year group listened brilliantly and shared some fantastic examples and answers with me, well done Year 2.

This week, Year 3 have enjoyed baking Roman honey biscuits as part of their project based learning work in History. Pupils wrote their own recipe cards and were able to eat their biscuits afterwards. They were delicious!

In Year 4 they have been studying The Great Kapok Tree. The children have taken part in a debate regarding environmental issues. They had great fun working in groups, researching information to support their arguments and then they had a constructive debate.

Year 5 have been working very hard on learning about the relationship between tenths as fractions and decimals. They have also been writing their own poems based on what they have found out about The Victorians so far! Next Friday they will be having a Victorian themed day including dress up and a Victorian school simulation!

Year 6 are already writing their own end of year play which they will perform for us all in July! We cannot wait to see it!

As we move towards the end of the academic year we are making plans for our staffing in September. We will share these plans with you in Summer 2 and will have opportunities for children to meet their new teachers and TAs so as to ensure a smooth transition.

After the half term, as lockdown measures continue to ease, we will be able to see the return of after school clubs and hopefully some changes to our lunchtimes so that children can mix again. We will be making any changes in-line with both Local Authority and government advice, slowly and steadily, still adhering to our risk assessment. We will be allowing the Reception year group to form its own bubble again as well, which is very exciting for them!



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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**
- **Wednesday 9th June – whole class photographs**

This week I wrote a letter home to ask you to check for any books that need returning to school. Over the past years we have spent a great deal of money on new books but currently have 200 books missing from our school library and many more missing from our reading corners. Clearly the lockdown periods meant that many books were kept at home but we now must ensure these find their way back to school so that we can share them with our pupils. Please take some time to hunt around your house for any GT books and pop them in your child's bag to be returned to us next week. Many thanks!

Next Friday is a PTFA dress down day and children can come to wearing whatever they like! Please give children a £1 donation or a bottle for the tombola to bring in with them. Crates for bottles will be available at the gates!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend with your families.

Best wishes,
Verity

Pick of the Week:

This week's pick is: www.sumdog.com

What is it?

You probably already know that Sumdog is a way for children to practice math skills while playing fun, math-related games against friends, classmates, or students from around the world but did you know that you can also use Sumdog to practice your grammar, punctuation and spelling skills? Games are individualized for each child's ability level, so users can play against opponents who have the same skills. Guided by a cute orange dog, children explore a town filled with activities such as Talent Show, Submarine, and Alien Invasion. When you get a correct answer, you get a coin, which you can spend on costumes and other things for your avatar. Activities adapt and continue to challenge as you build skills in each subject. Each child at George Tomlinson has a unique login in and username - please contact your child's class teacher via Class Dojo if you are unsure of these and these can be provided.

Have fun while learning!

Ms Shakes

Attendance:

1st - Y2E & Y5M - 100.0%

2nd - Y4W - 99.4%

3rd - Y6P - 99.2%

No late marks - Y2E, Y2F, Y3B, Y4D, Y4W, Y4M, Y5O, Y5G, Y5M, Y6M & Y6P

FRIDAY 28 MAY 2021



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



Or unopened bottle
for the summer fair
tombola

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

Yes!
You can wear what you like!

The Summer Fair is back!

Join us on Sunday 18th July

We're so excited that the Summer Fair can run this year and we need your help to make it happen.

Please donate to the office:

- Clean cuddly toys and teddies
- Good quality unwanted gifts for the adult raffle
- Small gifts for a pop up shop where children can buy a thank you for adults (eg chocolate, candles, mugs, stationary, toiletries etc.)
- Unopened bottles (bring on non uniform day or to the office)

For the green fingered:

Could you grow some plants for our plant stall? We can swap for empty pots, please contact below.

Can you help run a stall on the day?

Please contact us on georgetompta@gmail.com

Second-Hand Uniform Sale!

Sunday 30th May
16 Jersey Road
as part of



FRANCIS ROAD www.francisroad2021.eventbrite.com
f Francis Road Jumble Trail 2021
JUMBLE TRAIL
Sunday 30th May 11am-3pm Waltham Forest



Uniform available any time from uniformptfa@gmail.com