

George Tomlinson News

Dear Parents and Carers,



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We have had a fun and productive week here at GT!

We have been so impressed with how pupils have approached the return to school and the catch-up required. In order to help staff fit in the additional work that was missed, we have dedicated an additional two afternoons a week to catch-up alone. This will enable us to cover the requirements of the curriculum and those key areas needed for children to feel ready for September's transition. In order to ensure we still are providing a creative and broad curriculum however, from July 12th we will be dedicating time to creative projects to ensure we have not neglected the breadth of the curriculum too.

I'd like to thank the PTFA for their continued work and dedication throughout this challenging period where we have not been able to hold our usual fundraising activities. This hasn't stopped them coming up with ingenious ideas to raise money for the school and we have continued to reap the benefits of their hard work. Thank you to Jenny for Chairing of the PTFA and for doing such an amazing job and to Michelle for stepping up to the role now that Jenny has stepped down. We are very lucky to have such a supportive and proactive team!

I hope that you have all received the letter that was sent out to announce the new Headteacher from September, Ms Nicola Wilson. I am so happy that the Governing Body have successfully recruited, especially from a local WF school. I have no doubt that Nicola will do great things at GT and continue to bring improvement and opportunity to the school. She really is walking into the best staff team ever and will have their full support. I have reached out to Nicola this week and we have arranged some handover time so that the transition for all in September is a smooth and positive one.

This week I really enjoyed my assembly with Year 3 in the hall. Whilst we still cannot hold whole school assemblies, it was lovely to see the year group and spend time talking to them. I will be running weekly assemblies until the end of the term with all year groups individually.

I hope that you enjoy the weekend with your families and we look forward to seeing you next week!

Best wishes,
Verity

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

Pick of the Week:

This week's pick is: www.oxfordowl.co.uk

What is it?

Oxford Owl provides advice and support for parents of primary school age on how to support their children to learn at home.

As well as guides and videos to support parents and make sure they are well informed about their children's learning journey, there is also a wide range of activities for children, including games, videos and downloadable worksheets. There is also an extensive library of ebooks for children to read and storyteller videos - lots to keep everyone busy! Enjoy!

Ms Shakes

Reminder:

Please make sure children keep poppets at home to prevent them from getting lost.



Attendance

1st - Y1C, Y1P, Y3B, Y3CA & Y4D -100.0%

2nd - Y6M - 99.1%

3rd - Y5O – 97.1%

No late marks – Y1C, Y1K, Y1K, Y2E, Y2F, Y3B, Y3CA, Y4D, Y4M, Y4W, Y5M, Y6M & Y6P

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:

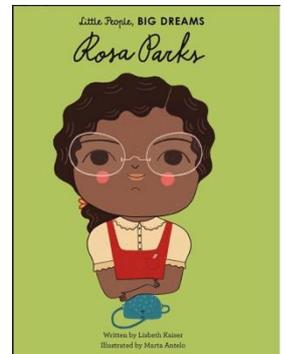
Nursery – handmade tables and chairs so more children are able to stay for lunch and a permanent parasol to create shade on sunny days.

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.



Spring Raffle

Congratulations to all our prize winners and we hope you enjoy them.

Thank you to everyone who took part, helping us to raise over £1650!

A huge thank you to all the parents and local businesses for their support by providing raffle prizes and advertising.

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