

George Washington Primary School

Friday Newsletter

4th April 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Attendance Well done to Miss Gillan's and Miss Allen's classes for their attendance this week. Our overall attendance for the week was 92.7% which means the year-to-date attendance figure is 94.3%.

EYFS & KS1

RLM	RSS	1NM	1MS	2AK	2BG
90.1%	87.7%	90.7%	93.1%	93.5%	97.1%

KS2

3CL	3AW	4AL	4KH	5JP	5RA	6EA	6GW
88.1%	92.3%	96.8%	89.3%	92.7%	95.4%	99.1%	93.1%

Football This week the Year 5/6 football team played in the Columbia Cup Semi-Finals against three other teams. It was an excellent night of football for our team who only conceded one goal and gained 4 points. They ended the night with a 6-0 win over Springwell and two draws against Holley Park and Usworth Colliery Primary Schools. Unfortunately, we did not qualify for the finals due to Usworth Colliery finishing top of the group with 5 points. Well done everyone as it was a great night of football.

Football Training There will be no football training on Monday (07/04/25) due to the Year 5/6 football team playing in the Grimes County Cup Semi-Finals.

Easter Egg Competition Next Wednesday, school will be having our annual egg decorating competition. Children can bring in a **hard-boiled** egg to decorate with any small items to use as part of their design. School will also provide some materials and other resources. There will be a prize for the winning design in each class.

Online Safety Parent Workshops On Monday 28th April (the first Monday back after Easter) there will be an online safety 'Internet Matters' workshop for parents in the school hall. This will start at 2:30pm and aim to be finished in time for normal pick up. Internet Matters aims to provide parents with all the tools that they need to keep their children safe online, including advice on safety settings on devices, age-appropriate apps to be using and relevant online issues that parents should be aware of. We hope to welcome lots of you in to school.

Easter HAF The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme is now **open for booking during the Easter holidays** and is available to those children/young people who are in receipt of **means tested free school meals** and to those who have a **special educational need or disability**. As a city, Sunderland is keen to promote the importance of healthy lifestyles and wellbeing, with the hope of reducing the increasing obesity rate in Sunderland. More information, including the timetables and how to book can be found using the link below.

<https://www.togetherforchildren.org.uk/washington-timetable>



STEM Careers Week As we continue our wider school drive to enhance the children's learning and understanding in STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and maths), we are organising a STEM careers week to take place in school during the week of 16th – 20th June. This will see children across all year groups looking at some of the different career opportunities and job roles available to them within the vast array of ever-growing STEM industries that we have in our local area and further afield.

As part of the STEM careers week, we would like to invite any parents or family members who work within any of the STEM areas to come in to school and talk to the children about their job role and where they work. If you or any family members think you could help with this, please contact the school office with your details and availability during the week of 16th to 20th June and one of our STEM subject leaders will get back to you.

We feel that this will be an excellent opportunity for our children to learn about the wide variety of careers and job roles within STEM that they can aspire to be part of in the future.

House Points On Wednesday afternoon next week, House Points will be collected and counted for the end of term reward. All children from the winning house will get to take part in an Easter Egg hunt on the school field next Thursday afternoon. It's still all to play for with staff eager to give out lots of points over the next three days of school.

Congratulations A massive well done to Isaa in Y5 who has recently completed reciting the Holy Quran in Arabic, which isn't a language he was familiar with - this is a big achievement for Isaa, and his whole family are incredibly proud of him, as is everyone at school for his superb efforts.



Have a brilliant weekend everyone – hopefully the sun keeps shining.

R. Knight

Mr R. Knight
Head of School



Forest School Dates

Date	Class
Monday 7 th April	5RA
Tuesday 8 th April	3AW
Wednesday 9 th April	4AL
Thursday 10 th April	2BG RSS
Friday 11 th April	1NM 6EA

Date	Class
Monday 14 th April	5JP
Tuesday 15 th April	3CL
Wednesday 16 th April	4KH
Thursday 17 th April	2AK RLM
Friday 18 th April	1MS 6GW

PE and Swimming - A timetable for PE and swimming is listed below. On their PE days, children should come into school in PE kit for the full day. School PE kit is a white T-shirt with dark coloured shorts or trousers. Football kits or similar clothing should not be worn.

Year Group	PE Day	Swimming Day
Reception	Wednesday	
Year 1	Monday	
Year 2	Friday	
Year 3	Friday	
Year 4	Thursday	Tuesday - 4AL Friday - 4KH
Year 5	Tuesday	Wednesday – 5JP Thursday – 5RA
Year 6	Monday	



Achievers of the Week & House Points



Year Group	Class	Achievers of the Week
Reception	RLM	Lewis Scott
	RSS	Lily Reay
Year 1	1MS	Grace Johnston-Neal
	1NM	Aran Yelnoorkar
Year 2	2AK	Logan Robertson
	2BG	Oscar Thompson
Year 3	3AW	Violet Stanger
	3CL	Blake McAllister
Year 4	4AL	Noel Cullhaj
	4KH	Jack Kennedy
Year 5	5RA	George Taylor-Deacon
	5JP	Oliver Bartley
Year 6	6EA	Zak Molloy
	6GW	Willow Jeffrey



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