



# George Washington Primary School

## Friday News

1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wonderful first week back with so much excellent work going on around school. This is a short half-term leading up to Easter with lots to fit in, but the children have started it brilliantly.

**Year 2 Parent Event** We are delighted to be able to invite our Y2 parents/carers into school to complete a science project alongside their child. You have the choice of coming in on either Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March in the afternoon with a 2:15pm start in the school hall. Please speak to your child's class teacher to sign up at the classroom door. Alternatively, phone the school office to inform us which afternoon you would like to come in. We look forward to seeing you there.

**WBD** Next week, on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, we will celebrate World Book Day in school. Children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or wear comfy clothes, including pyjamas, that they would enjoy reading a book in. There will be lots of book related activities for the children to take part in throughout the day.

**SATs Club** It has been great to see so many children join us this week for after-school enrichment clubs, including cookery, football and arts & crafts. In addition to this, there will be an after-school SATs club for Y6 children starting from Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. This is a voluntary club, but we encourage all Y6 children to join it. Y6 parents should have received a ParentPay notification about this. Please speak to the Y6 teachers should you have any questions about this.

**Turing Scheme survey** Year 5 parents received a survey link via ParentPay earlier in the week about a possible European residential trip opportunity next year. We have received some responses but would be grateful if as many people as possible could respond to help us gauge interest. The survey will close next Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup> March).

**Measles Outbreak** You may have seen in the news that there have been serious outbreaks of Measles over the last few months. Outbreaks are now occurring widely in England, with children being the ones mostly affected. On behalf of NHS North-East, we have sent details via ParentPay on how you can obtain further information, including how to book immunisations if you think your child has not had both doses of the MMR vaccine.

**Football** There was only one game last night for the main football team. They played a great game against Rickleton Primary school and came away with a 1-0 win. It was a close game throughout both halves, but Jacob and Connor pulled off a fantastic set piece and secured the victory for the team. Well done, boys!

**Family Hub** Our local Family Hub at the Rainbow Centre are inviting parents/families to join them for a cup of tea and cake on 5<sup>th</sup> March between 9:30am-12:00pm. This event, Celebration of Families, will give you an opportunity to take part in some craft activities and find out what other support is out there. They are also keen to hear your views on services you may have used.

**Wraparound Care** In the spring budget of March 2023, the government announced an investment of £289 million over two academic years for a national wraparound programme. This is to support those families with primary aged children who need access to paid for wraparound childcare. To support with this, Together for Children are asking for parental views to help them shape the local offer going forward in Sunderland. They are asking for as many responses as possible before 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please use the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/4rRGacxbHA>



**Forest School Dates** - See below for the next forest school sessions:

Date	Class
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	3AW RLM
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	4CL 6EA
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	2NM
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	1LM 5CW
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	3WA RMS
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	4JP 6GW
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	2KH
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	1NM 5BG

**PE Days** Please find below updated PE days for this half term. 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	Thursday	
Year 2	Tuesday	
Year 3	Wednesday	
Year 4	Tuesday	4CL – Thursday 4JP - Friday
Year 5	Thursday	Wednesday
Year 6	Monday	

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**Mr R Knight**  
**Head of School**

Class	Star of the Week
RMS	Cole Briggs
RLM	Ethan Harker
1NM	Skyler Brunskill
1LM	Emily King
2KH	Amelia Hagan
2NM	Daxton Errington-Proctor
3WA	Libby King
3AW	Jamie-Leigh Carrahar
4JP	Lilly-Mae Lowden
4CL	Leela Pannu
5CW	Toby Foster
5BG	Enya Robinson
6EA	Millie Logan
6GW	Leon Welsh