

George Washington Primary School

Friday Newsletter



13th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 1 Bedtime Stories – Tuesday 17th March Join us in the school hall from **4:30–5:30pm** for a cosy evening of stories, pyjamas, and hot chocolate! Come snuggle up, listen to magical tales, and share a bedtime treat together. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the Year 1 door if you'd like to come along. We can't wait to see our Year 1 families there!



Lego Competition Yesterday, 8 year 5 and 6 children took part in the regional FIRST LEGO LEAGUE competition at Nissan. They took part in a robot game using a robot which they had designed, built and coded themselves. All the children represented the school brilliantly and really impressed the judges with their two presentations.

KS2 Vocal Showcase Yesterday, our KS2 choir performed at Washington Arts Centre as part of a fantastic vocal showcase with other primary schools. They sang 'A Million Dreams' from The Greatest Showman and 'Love Story' by Taylor Swift. All the children sang their hearts out and made us all incredibly proud!

Friendship Cafe On Wednesday, group of our year 5 children visited Donwell Carehome to take part in the 'Friendship Café'. The children spent time chatting with the residents, sharing and enjoying some Easter craft activities together. Our school choir also joined the visit and sang beautifully for the residents, bringing lots of smiles to everyone in the room. It was a lovely opportunity for the children to connect with the community and spread some Easter joy.



Clubs After school curriculum clubs on Tuesday 24th March will move to the Wednesday night due to staff CPD. This will impact the following clubs:

Reception – Gardening (inc. Forest School), and Games
Y1/Y2 – Stem, Dance, and Forest School
Y6 – SATs

Y6 Residential Children who have signed up to go to Derwent Hill in June should have come home tonight with a key information form that the venue requires us to provide. We ask that is completed and returned to school before Thursday next week. Final numbers need to be confirmed by the end of next week so there is still time to sign up if not already done so.



Attendance Well done to Mrs Dodd and Mrs Martin's (1DM) and Miss Wade's (4AW) classes for their outstanding attendance for this week in their respective key stages. School's overall attendance for the week was a brilliant 95.6% while the year-to-date attendance has crept up slightly to 94.4%.

EYFS & KS1

RLM	RSS	1DM	1ZF	2AK	2GW
96.2%	93.6%	98.9%	93.7%	95.7%	97.6%

KS2

3BP	3CL	4AW	4RA	5JP	5KH	6EA	6AL
93.8%	96.3%	97.4%	94.1%	94.8%	95.4%	96.5%	93.2%

R. Knight

Mr R Knight
Head of School



TALK & LISTEN,
BE THERE,
FEEL CONNECTED



Your time,
your words,
your presence



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



DO WHAT YOU CAN,
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD

Forest School Dates

On their Forest School days children must have long trousers and long sleeves. Warm clothing will be needed as the days get colder as the children will be outside for the whole forest school session. Older clothes are best as they could end up getting muddy. The forest school site can get very muddy so they should also have a change of footwear to wear on the forest school site – this could be wellies or old trainers.

Date	Class
Monday 16 th March	5JP
Tuesday 17 th March	RLM 2GW
Wednesday 18 th March	3BP
Thursday 19 th March	4RA
Friday 20 th March	1DM 6EA

Date	Class
Monday 23 rd March	5KH
Tuesday 24 th March	RSS 2AK
Wednesday 25 th March	3CL
Thursday 26 th March	4AW
Friday 27 th March	1ZF 6AL

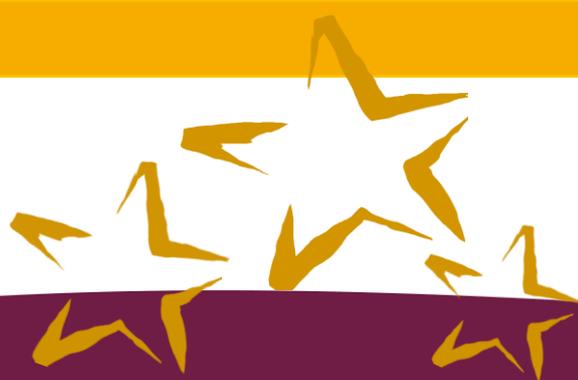
PE and Swimming - A timetable for PE and swimming is listed below. On their PE days, children should come into school in PE kit for the full day. School PE kit is a white or yellow T-shirt with dark-coloured shorts or trousers. Football kits or similar clothing should not be worn.

Year 5 and 6 Swimming

Year Group	PE Day	Swimming Day
Reception	Thursday AM	
Year 1	Wednesday PM	
Year 2	Monday PM	
Year 3	Thursday PM	
Year 4	Wednesday AM	Tuesday - 4AW Friday - 4RA
Year 5	Tuesday PM - PE changed to Tuesday for this week only due to York	Due to York Residential swimming will be cancelled this week for Y5
Year 6	Tuesday PM	



Achievers of the Week & House Points



Year Group	Class	Achievers of the Week
Reception	RLM	Hugo Taylor
	RSS	Aarya
Year 1	1DM	Christopher Pybus
	1ZF	Hannah Shanley
Year 2	2AK	Charlie Mason
	2GW	Koben Redshaw-Leonard
Year 3	3BP	Lydia Thoburn
	3CL	Luke Smith
Year 4	4AW	Jayden Robins
	4RA	Neve Heppell
Year 5	5KH	Mia-Rose Frew
	5JP	Elliott Manson
Year 6	6EA	Lawson Hodgson
	6AL	Matthew Morrisey

House Points



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