

George Washington Primary School

Friday Newsletter

2nd October 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we celebrated National Poetry Day across the school. Today, children from each class proudly performed poems during our Achievers' Assembly, showcasing their confidence and creativity. Congratulations to all our Poet of the Week for their fantastic efforts and wonderful poetry!

Year Group	Class	Poets of the Week
Reception	RBP	Archie Hood-Smith
	RSS	Erin Ross
Year 1	1MS	Miller Spittel
	1ZF	Aria-Grace Adamson
Year 2	2RA	Mia Huzzey
	2GW	Lydia Field
Year 3	3AK	Noah Thompson
	3AW	Harlow Armstrong
Year 4	4LM	Hannah Orchard
	4CL	Charlotte Hughes
Year 5	5MS	Juliette Matthews
	5JP	Neve Heppell
Year 6	6EA	Jamie-Leigh Carrahar
	6KH	Molly Sowerby

PE Kit The requirements for PE kit are set out within our most up-to-date Uniform Policy which is available on our school website. This requires children to wear either a plain white t-shirt, or a branded yellow t-shirt which is available from Little Gems. If children are wearing a jumper, it should be a maroon school jumper (branded or unbranded), or the newly-available GWPS hoodie which can be purchased from Little Gems for £12.99.

If your child is not wearing the correct uniform, you are likely to receive a call from our office staff. In this instance, please be respectful as they are enforcing the policy that has been shared with you, and do not deserve to be shouted at or spoken to in a rude way. If you have any concerns about the policy, please contact the school office and arrange to speak to a leader.

Football This week, our girls' football team played their first fixtures of the year, taking Lady, JFK, St. Bede's and Blackfell Primary Schools. Their first game against Our Lady was a tricky one and the team's first runout as a team, which resulted in a 3-0 defeat. Despite this, the girls kept their heads up and really came together as a team over the next three matches. They secured two great wins, beating JFK 1-0 and Blackfell 2-0. Their game against St. Bede's finished 0-0, although the girls created plenty of opportunities and were unlucky not to find the back of the net.

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Overall, it was a fantastic first set of fixtures, with two wins, one draw and one defeat. A special shout-out goes to our three goalscorers, who each found the back of the net!

Last night, our Year 5/6 football team were also in action, playing fixtures against Barmston and JFK. The first game against Barmston was heavily in our favour, with the team creating plenty of chances throughout. The final score was a 2-0 victory, but it could easily have been more if it weren't for an excellent performance from the Barmston goalkeeper. The second game against JFK was a fantastic contest, with both teams creating lots opportunities. Unfortunately, a goal in the final few minutes proved decisive, resulting in a narrow 1-0 defeat.

A special shout-out goes to Donovan and Caleb, who seemed to be everywhere at once on the pitch and put in fantastic performances for the team!

Y5 Bikeability Next week, Y5JP will be doing Bikeability. Children who have signed up to take part should bring their bikes to school and put them on the tennis courts as soon as they arrive. They are best left against the side nearest to the MUGA. Children should bring helmets to wear. These children will be outside so should come to school with an appropriate coat.

Positive Behaviour Workshops Skills for People in conjunction with the NHS are offering workshops for families who have a child under 18 who is autistic and/or has a learning disability or who is waiting to be assessed for autism and/or a learning disability. The workshops are to help families understand and support their child's behaviour, particularly if their behaviour could be considered challenging at times. More details are on the flyer attached with today's newsletter.

Attendance Well done to Miss Forster's class (1ZF) in EYFS/KS1 and to Miss Lynn's (4CL) in KS2 for their outstanding attendance this week in their respective key stages. School's overall attendance for the week was 93.3% and the overall attendance for the year is 94.8%.

EYFS & KS1

RSS	RBP	1MS	1ZF	2GW	2RA
95.5%	90.1%	91.5%	98.2%	96.6%	95.7%

KS2

3AK	3AW	4CL	4LM	5JP	5MS	6EA	6KH
88.4%	96.6%	97.8%	91.5%	89.5%	95.9%	94.6%	84.9%

R. Knight

Mr R Knight
Head of School



Forest School Dates

On their Forest School days children must have long trousers and long sleeves. Appropriate 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 5 th October	5JP
Tuesday 6 th October	4CL
Wednesday 7 th October	3AK
Thursday 8 th October	1MS RBP
Friday 9 th October	2GW 6EA

Date	Class
Monday 12 th October	5MS
Tuesday 13 th October	4LM
Wednesday 14 th October	3AW
Thursday 15 th October	1ZF RSS
Friday 16 th October	2RA 6KH

Year 4 and 5 Swimming

Year Group	PE Day	Swimming Day
Reception	Tuesday PM	
Year 1	Wednesday PM	
Year 2	Tuesday AM	
Year 3	Thursday AM	
Year 4	Wednesday AM	Thursday – 4CL 4LM – Friday
Year 5	Friday PM	Tuesday – 5MS Wednesday – 5JP
Year 6	Thursday PM	



Achievers of the Week & House Points



Year Group	Class	Achievers of the Week
Reception	RBP	Grace Cook
	RSS	Esme Hailstone
Year 1	1MS	Olivia Waites
	1ZF	Sienna Dale
Year 2	2RA	Everlie Forster
	2GW	Heidi Gray
Year 3	3AK	Millie Hume
	3AW	
Year 4	4LM	Oliver Naylor
	4CL	Lydia Thoburn
Year 5	5MS	Lola Smith
	5JP	Jacob Sumbly
Year 6	6EA	Esme Armstrong
	6KH	Ruby Robson

House Points



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