

Graveley Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter 4 - Summer Term 1 2022

Dear Parents,

Queen's Jubilee

As part of our Jubilee Celebrations, we would like to invite parents into school to see some of the children's work and join us for afternoon tea and cake on Friday 27th May.

To prevent the hall from becoming overcrowded we will be operating a rota system.

Class 4 and any younger siblings - 1.30pm

Class 3 and any younger siblings - 1.50pm

Class 2 and any younger siblings - 2.10pm

Class 1 at 2.30pm

To confirm attendance, please log into your child's Arbor account and go to 'Activities/Trips/Queen's Jubilee afternoon tea'. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

CENSUS DAY

As you may already know, the funding our school receives is based upon census returns that we have to complete each term. The amount of funding is dependent upon the figures that we submit, with particular emphasis on the uptake of school lunches.

In order to help us to do the best for your children, we are asking for your support. This term's census is on Thursday 19th May 2022 and it is really important that as many children as possible in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have a free school lunch that they are entitled to.

To encourage all children to have a hot meal on census day, we have swapped around our menu.

Thursday 19th May

- Fish fingers
- Cheese and tomato pizza
- Jacket potato
- Egg roll

Friday 20th May

- Quorn pattie in a bun
- Mild Mexican fajita with rice
- Jacket potato
- Cheese sandwich



TT Rockstars

Well done to all of those children who have taken part in our TT Rockstar tournament this week:

This week's results:

1st place - Phoebe

2nd place - Beatrix

3rd place - Tayla-Ann

Year group winners - Y5

Numbots

Well done to all of the children that have had a go at Numbots in Class 1 this week.

This week's results:

1st place - Jesse

2nd place - Alfie

3rd place - Lily

FOG News

Our FOG children's disco takes place next week (Thursday 19th May) - £4.00 per child (please pay via Arbor). Children may bring along their party clothes and get changed at school.

We also have our textile collection next Tuesday morning. Bags of donations may be brought along to school on Tuesday morning at drop off. Items will be collected at 9.30am.

SATS

Well done to all of the Year 6 children who have completed their SATs this week. A big thank you to the rest of the school, who have been keeping quiet to allow our Year 6s to do their best.

As a treat, we are off to Frankie and Benny's for lunch and then for a game of bowling this afternoon.

Uniform

We are getting an increasing number of unclaimed cardigans and jumpers in school. Can we please ask that all children's belongings are named so that we can return items to the right child.

OFFICE NEWS

Breakfast Club - bookings for breakfast club will now be done via Arbor (not Parent Pay) for bookings from w/c 23rd May. To make a booking(s), log into your child's Arbor account and go to 'Activities/Club'. Please contact the school office (admin@graveley.herts.sch.uk) if you have any queries.

Class 3 and 4 swimming sessions start Tuesday 7th June. Please make payment (£33.20) via Arbor and complete and return the swimming form to the school office by Wednesday 25th May.

Class 3 will be visiting the Verulamium Museum on Wednesday 29th June. Please pay via Arbor (£5.25) before Friday 17th June.

ARBOR

All school communication and online payments are moving from Parentmail/Parent Pay to Arbor. If you have not already done so, please register with Arbor using the following link:

<https://graveley-primary.uk.arbor.sc>

Click on 'Forgotten Password' and follow the instructions. Your **User Name** is your personal email address. If you have any difficulties, please email the school office on admin@graveley.herts.sch.uk

Class 1 News

Class 1 have enjoyed combining English with History this week, writing diary entries from the viewpoint of a Victorian child. They thought carefully about the emotions they might feel in a Victorian school. In Science, they had lots of fun exploring different materials, experimenting to find the most suitable material to keep teddy dry.

Class 2 News

In Class 2, the children have been reading the book, '*15 things not to do with a puppy*'. They used this to inspire their own writing and came up with some hilarious things 'not to do to your teacher'! In Art they enjoyed going for a walk around the village to investigate and sketch the different buildings, which will lead into their work on the artist James Rizzi next week.

Class 3 News

Class 3 have been continuing to write myths in English. In Maths, they have completed their work on perimeter and are now enjoying statistics! They had their final session with Chris Bull from Fit Kidz yesterday, bringing an end to a fantastic series of fitness sessions. In Science, Miss Evans led a great lesson with the children exploring how water and petroleum jelly travel up thorough plants!

Class 4 News

Congratulations to the Year 6's who took their Key Stage 2 SATs this week. They showed fantastic resilience and positivity and all the staff here are so proud of them all. Year 5 have been busy with Mrs Allen in the mornings, exploring the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages in Maths and focusing on grammar in English, particularly similes. In the afternoons, all the class have enjoyed running off some steam orienteering around the school grounds and in Science, they explored the different insulating properties of socks.

Some dates for the diary:

- Monday 16th May - Nursing team in for Year 6 height and weight.
- Tuesday 17th May - Clothing collection (please bring donations to school at morning drop-off).
- Thursday 19th May - CENSUS DAY - special lunch menu.
- Thursday 19th May - FOG children's disco - starts straight after school and finishes at 4:30pm. Tickets purchased via Arbor (£4.00 per child) in Activities/Trips.
- Friday 20th May - Y1 and Y2 Victorian Day (children to come into school dressed as a Victorian pupil). £2.50 voluntary donation for the Victorian workshop paid via Arbor in Activities/Trips.
- Friday 27th May - Queen's Jubilee Party Day (viewing children's work in the hall and afternoon tea) - please book via Arbor.
- Half term - Monday 30th May until Friday 3rd June (inclusive).
- Monday 6th June - Children return to school.
- Tuesday 7th June - Class 3 and 4 start swimming lessons at Hitchin Swimming Pool. £33.20 payment via Arbor.

"With God, all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26