

☆ Garden Suburb Infant School ☆

Weekly Newsletter

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THIS WEEK:

PTA MEETING POSTPONED TO FRIDAY 12TH JUNE: This week's PTA meeting was postponed to next Friday morning; Miss Sands will be discussing spending plans of money raised by the PTA, including the plans for the Library. We will also be talking about the upcoming Summer Camp. Everyone is welcome to join us!

HAMPSTEAD GARDEN SUBURB RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION SUMMER FAIR, SUNDAY 7TH JUNE (12 – 5PM): Do go along to the Summer Fair being held this weekend on **Central Square, NW11 7AH**, for lots of fun activities and community stalls! The PTA are holding a second-hand book stall, with all funds being raised going to our new library, so do go and say hello! See attached flyer for further information.

NEXT WEEK:

BLING YOUR BIKE, FRIDAY 12TH JUNE: To celebrate National Bike Week, Garden Suburb Infant School will be holding a 'Bling your Bike, Sparkle your Scooter' competition on **Friday 12th June 2026** to encourage sustainable, active travel and creativity.

You can use brightly coloured paper or card, old bits of fabric, tape, tinsel, pipe cleaners, balloons, or anything you like to decorate your bikes and scooters, to make them look as good as you can! You do not need to buy new materials; you can use recycled materials. Please remember you still have to ride your bikes and scooters to school – so nothing trailing in the spokes, wheels or on the ground, and nothing which will make the bike unstable. Don't forget to decorate your helmet too! If you are unable to bring your scooter or bike into school, please take a picture instead and upload it to Tapestry, so your effort can still be rewarded. Please see the attached poster for inspiration.

Rules

- ✓ All bikes and scooters must be decorated at home and brought to school by **8.55am on Friday 12th June**. Feel free to ride your bikes and scooters in ALL WEEK!
- ✓ You don't want to damage your bike or scooter when decorating it, so be careful when selecting your materials
- ✓ Any decoration should not jeopardise the safety of your bike or scooter
- ✓ Make sure your bike/scooter costume is not permanent and you can put things on and remove them easily
- ✓ Your bike or scooter will be judged according to the effort, imagination and how bright it is!
- ✓ Please put your name and class on your bike or scooter

Our incredible Travel Ambassadors will be choosing winners. We look forward to seeing you and your bikes or scooters. Be Bright, Be Seen, Be Safe!

JUNIOR TRANSITION MEETING FOR CURRENT YEAR TWO PARENTS, TUESDAY 9TH JUNE @ 6PM: Parents of children transferring to the junior school in September are invited to an important meeting in the Junior School to meet their child's new class teacher and find out more about life in Year Three. Ms Bailey has also asked us to remind you to complete your joiners form urgently!

OTHER NOTICES:

LAST CHANCE TO RESPOND TO CONSULTATION ON AMALGAMATION OF INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL (CLOSES 10TH JUNE): Barnet are now running the formal consultation for the proposed amalgamation of Garden Suburb Infant and Junior Schools. To have your say, please click on the following link to view the documentation and submit comments in the questionnaire towards the bottom of the page:

[Proposed merger of Garden Suburb Infant and Junior Schools into Garden Suburb Primary School | Barnet Council](#)

YEARS ONE & TWO, SPACE DOME WORKSHOP, MONDAY 15TH JUNE: Full details of this event was sent out to our Year One and Year Two parents earlier this week, including requesting a donation of £5 towards the cost of the event. This is one of the highlights of the year for the children, as they get up close and personal to the universe and we are thrilled to be able to extend it to Year Two so they get another go! We do, however, rely on parent donations to fund these events so please make your donation online by Wednesday 10th June or by bringing cash to the school office (in a named envelope with "Space Dome" on the front.

PE MORNING, WEDNESDAY 17TH JUNE: Look out early next week for a notice letting you know what colour t-shirt your child will need to wear on our annual PE Day being held the following week. Parents will be welcomed to come and cheer the children on, if you'd like to join us come to the school field for 9.30am on the day. The activities will last approximately an hour or so.

BARNET YOUTH POSITIVE ACTIVITIES AND SUMMER CAMPS! Once again, [Barnet Youth](#) are bringing families a packed programme of free and affordable activities for children, young people and families across Barnet. This summer the programme includes holiday camps, trips, sports, creative workshop, wellbeing support and family events, all designed to help young people stay active, make friends and try something new during the long break. For further information go to [Barnet-Youth-Summer-2026-Magazine.pdf](#)

LITTLE VOICES SUMMER CAMP, 24TH – 27TH AUGUST: Look out for the flyers coming home with the children today for the end of the summer holidays, there is an early bird discount for bookings made before 27th June.

WOW – WALK ON WEDNESDAYS: The winners this week are Yellow Class and the runners up are Pink Class

PE DAYS FOR EACH CLASS The children should come into school wearing their PE kits, on the days they have PE lesson:

YEAR ONE - YELLOW CLASS & TURQUOISE CLASS: Monday & Friday

YEAR TWO - PINK CLASS & ORANGE CLASS: Wednesday & Friday

RECEPTION – RED CLASS & GREEN CLASS: Thursday

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

We wish everyone who celebrated their birthday this week (fall on or between 31st May to 6th June) a very happy birthday:

Children in Reception Year: Britania in Red

Children in Year One: None this week!

Children in Year Two: Hallel in Pink; Takuma in Orange

A very happy birthday also goes to Miss Jasmine who celebrated this week.

PLEASE NOTE: Birthday Assembly is for children in Years One and Two only, and is held every Tuesday morning at 9.05am, for children with birthdays that week (Sunday to Saturday). Y1/2 Parents are welcome to attend their child's Birthday Assembly, so please make a note in your diary!

FUNTIME BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE: Funtime provides extended childcare for the children in both the Infant and Junior schools. Breakfast Club runs from 7.50am until 8.45am when they are taken to class and costs £5 per session; After-School Club collects children from the playground (or after clubs such as football/Art club) and runs until 5.50pm at a cost of £14 per sessions, they also do a shorter session to 4.30pm at a cost of £7.00. For further information or to enquire about a place please contact Funtime directly by text or phone on 07506 030 037. Details about all our after-school clubs/childcare can be found on our website [HERE](#)

GARDEN SUBURB INFANT SCHOOL
SCHOOL EVENTS – SUMMER TERM 2026 (2nd Half)

Please note items in red – either updated or new events

Tuesday 9th June @ 6pm, Junior Transition Meeting for Current Year Two Parents: Parents of children transferring to the junior school in September are invited to an important meeting in the Junior School to meet their child's new class teacher and find out more about life in Year Three!

Friday 12th June @ 9am, PTA meeting with Miss Sands. All parents are welcome, but please try to ensure one parent from each class attends.

Monday 15th June, Space Explorer Dome Workshop for Years One and Two: An annual event for our year one classes where the children experience space up close and personal. This year we are extending it to Year Two, so they can build on their knowledge gained from the workshop last year. We have asked parents for a £5 donation towards the cost of the workshop, further information and the payment item was sent out in the first week of term.

Wednesday 17th June, PE Day: Children in all year groups will take part in different sporting activities for the morning. If it is raining, we will postpone to the following day.

Wednesday 24th June @ 6pm, New Reception Parents Meeting: An opportunity for parents of children starting Reception Year in September 2026 to meet the team for September, find out more about the transition process, receive their induction timetables, as well as other important information about the transition to "big school"

Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th June @ 9am, Year Two Show for Parents: The Year Two will be presenting their end of year show to their parents over two performances (it is the same show on both days – so please only come to one so everyone can see!).

Thursday 2nd July, @ 9am, PTA meeting with Miss Sands. All parents are welcome, but please try to ensure one parent from each class attends.

Saturday 4th – Sunday 5th July, PTA Summer Camp: The last PTA event of the year, families camp out in the school field

Wednesday 8th July @ 9am, Meeting with Year One Teachers for Current Reception Year Parents: An opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and find out more about what will happen in Year One next year

Thursday 9th July @ 9am, Meeting with Year Two Teachers for Current Year One Parents: An opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and find out more about what will happen in Year Two next year

Tuesday 14th July @ 9.05am, Year One Birthday Assembly (for birthdays that fall 12th July to 31st August): Parents are invited to join this assembly for children in Year One celebrating in the last week of term, or over the holidays

Wednesday 15th July @ 9.05am, Year Two Birthday Assembly (for birthdays that fall 12th July to 31st August):
Parents are invited to join this assembly for children in Year Two celebrating in the last week of term, or over the holidays

Thursday 16th July, Children's End of Year Tea Party: We will be holding a special end of year tea party during the afternoon, for the children and staff only, which the PTA will be supporting. Party Clothes that day!

FRIDAY 17TH JULY, LAST DAY OF TERM (CHILDREN TO BE COLLECTED AT 1.30PM)

Please note that although the official last day of term is Monday 20th July, this as a staff training day so children will finish on Friday 17th July.

School reopens on Thursday 3rd September for our Year One and Two children. Our new reception children will start the term with visits on either Thursday 3rd or Friday 4th September, starting school from Monday 7th September.

PTA EVENTS AND NOTICES

SCHOOL LIBRARY FUNDRAISER: Given it is the National Year of Reading, the PTA is raising money towards the purchase of books for the school library. The school is continually upgrading and supplementing its stock of books for the children, but this year it is also specifically intending to convert one of the spare classrooms into a designated library, which it hopes will be a real asset for the children and cement their understanding and interest in books and reading.

In the spring term, we had a couple of "bucket" collections held on World Book Day and the last day of term. Parents have also been very generous supporting through the options below. These options are still open, and if you would like to further support this fundraiser than you can still do so:

Ongoing Donation Options:

- 1) Make an Online Donation in the **Arbor School Shop**; log into your Arbor account and go to the School Shop where you will find a standing item called "PTA Fundraiser for Infant School Library" in which you can donate at any time in multiples of £5
- 2) The PTA Chair, Caroline Zabeti, has set up a **Collective fundraising account**: <https://pay.collectiv.com/gsis-pta-library-books-project-58635> This link has also been circulated through the parent WhatsApp community;

GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY: The lottery is drawn every Saturday, with a prize of £25,000! Only £1 per ticket. <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garden-suburb-junior>. You've got to be in it to win it – GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS: We have just 1 event left this academic year run by the PTA, to not only raise vital funds for the school, but to also give the children and the school community experiences and memories to last a life time! More information will be given nearer the events, but do pop them in your diary for future reference.

SUMMER CAMP, WEEKEND OF 4TH/5TH JULY (in the school field and front playground, camping out overnight) – further information to follow in middle of June

If you are able to volunteer for any of the events (whether on the day or in the organisation) your help would be much appreciated! Just speak to your class rep or a member of the PTA committee.

For other ways to support the school go to our PTA Fundraising page on our website: [Garden Suburb Junior & Infant School - How we raise money \(gardensuburbinfant.co.uk\)](http://gardensuburbinfant.co.uk)