



Garfield Primary
Today's children, tomorrow's future.

THURSDAY FLYER

Thursday 24th March 2016

Headteacher's Message

It has been a most enjoyable week with lots of special assemblies. On Wednesday, we had a leavers assembly to say goodbye to Mr Grant who has worked at Garfield for 9 years. We also had a premiere of our Goodbye to Old Garfield video which Mr Grant had made. We hope to make copies available to purchase next term. We also had a wonderful Easter assembly from our year 3 team. We are also anticipating our best ever Easter Bonnet parade this afternoon.

Wishing you a Happy Easter and a restful holiday.
Ms Karen Khwaja



DIARY DATES

Monday 11th April

- ◆ KS2 Gifted & Talented Athletics Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)
- ◆ Drama Club (3.15pm-4.15pm)

Tuesday 12th April

- ◆ Year 4 Reading Club (3.15pm-4.15pm)

Wednesday 13th April

- ◆ Singing Assembly KS2 (9.00am-9.30am) KS1 (9.30am-10.00am)
- ◆ Year 5 Tennis Club (3.30pm-4.15pm)
- ◆ Year 6 Tennis Club (4.15pm-5.00pm)

Thursday 14th April

- ◆ Netball Club (3.15pm-4.15pm)
- ◆ Basketball Club (8.00-8.40am)
- ◆ KS1 Soto Street Dance (3.30pm-4.30pm) New Selection of pupils

Friday 15th April

- ◆ KS2 Soto Street Dance (3.30pm-4.30pm) New Selection of pupils
- ◆ Cricket Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)
- ◆ Year 5 Swimming (1.30pm-2.00pm, 2.00pm-3.00pm)

FUTURE DATES

- ◆ 18th April - Year 3 Trip to Thames River Service, London
- ◆ 19th April - Year 4 Trip to Pizza Express, Southgate
- ◆ 22nd April - Year 1 Ruby Class Assembly
- ◆ 25th-29th April - Proposed School Closure
- ◆ 6th May - Year 1 Robin Class Assembly
- ◆ 9th May - Year 6 SATs week
- ◆ 13th May - Year 1 Rose Class Assembly
- ◆ Friday 27th May - Inset Day
- ◆ 30th May-3rd June - Half Term

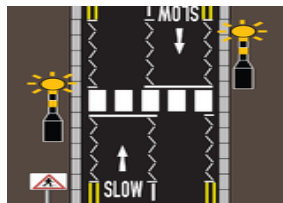
REMINDER

Friday 25th March - School closed
Monday 11th April - School Re-Opens at 8.50am

CHANGES TO ROAD MARKINGS AROUND THE SCHOOL

We are aware that highways are working on the Springfield Road and Upper Park Road over the Easter holidays. This is in readiness for the move to our new building and our new school entrance. We had not received any further details at the time of press.

Please be prepared that there may well be changes to markings/zebra crossing on your return after Easter.



SPORT RELIEF UPDATE

Last week, Garfield pupils participated in various sports activities to raise money for sports relief. They took part in mini-challenges ranging from speed bounce, skipping, shoot-out, basketball, Noah's Ark, welly-boot throwing and Lego tower building. It was great to see so many pupils being active and having fun at the same time. Staff and pupils dressed up in red sports gear on the Friday and collectively ran over 3,000 laps (equivalent to 70 miles in total)! Well done Garfield. A celebratory award assembly took place in recognition of all who were outstanding in PE and sport. We also danced and sang to the official Sport Relief song and showcased our pupils who took part in the dance festival. A big thank you to everyone involved and we pleased to announce we have raised a fantastic £378.55 for Sport Relief

Mr Paine
Sports Coach



NEW BUILD REMINDER

A reminder that on Monday 11th April, Ms Khwaja will send a letter out to parents regarding the additional closure dates.

We apologise that we cannot be more specific yet as the building work completion dates are out of our control.

EASTER SCHOOL

For the 5th year we are running our Easter School for some of our year 6 pupils to help them prepare for their SATS exams. Parents have already been informed if their child has a place. This is a fantastic opportunity and free of charge. We expect pupils to attend all 4 morning sessions (9am-12pm) from the 29th March to the 1st April 2016.

Mrs B Jordan
Office Manager



IMPORTANT—MOVIE STAR PLANET (MSP)

MSP is an online site that children from 8 to 15 years old are allowed to join. We do not use it in school! It has come to our attention that some children have received inappropriate messages from unknown sources through MSP. We would recommend that if your child is online that you are aware of what they are playing and whom they are talking to. It is important to check that they know how to report incidents online. We have reminded the children about this. It has been known for adults to access this website and pose as children. Your child should not accept friend requests from people they do not know. In addition it has been reported that there is a site called 'MSP Hack' in which site users can obtain others passwords and hack into their account. If you need support please contact NSPCC NET AWARE.

Miss H Pawson
Ms M Samuel

EGYPTIAN TREASURE HUNT!

Year 3 classes Marigold and Tiger visited The British Museum last Friday to study Egyptian and Inca Treasures. It was a successful day, enhancing our classroom learning.

Ms M Walton
Class Teacher



Attendance Rewards

This week, pupils were rewarded for good attendance. All pupils in Years 1-6, with 96% attendance or more, for the spring term received certificates and were invited to a special Attendance Easter Egg Hunt.

Congratulations to all these children and their families for their good attendance. At the end of the Summer term, all pupils with 96% attendance or more will receive special rewards, including an invitation to our 'Attendance Festival'.

Improving attendance is a key priority at our school. Here are ways in which you can help:

- ✎ Bring your child to school every day in plenty of time for morning registration.
- ✎ Contact the school if your child is absent, provide medical evidence where possible.
- ✎ Where necessary, keep medical appointments outside of school hours.
- ✎ Do not keep children off school for birthdays/shopping/ days out/ appointments for parents or siblings.
- ✎ Never take holidays in term time.

Mrs B Jordan
Office Manager



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Last Friday, the School Council were very excited to be given a tour of our new school building. A big thank you to Mr Newson who gave a brilliant tour and guided us around the new playground, school hall, classrooms and our new facilities including an ICT suite and food technology room. School council members were then able to excitedly report back to their classes.

Miss Sesstein
School Council Leader



LATES

Punctuality at Garfield is very important and we urge parents to ensure your child arrives to school safely and on time.

CLASS	W/E 11.03.2016	W/E 18.03.16	Difference
Robin	6	5	-1
Rose	2	6	+4
Ruby	8	10	+2
Bluebell	4	4	0
Kingfisher	2	3	+1
Sapphire	10	5	-5
Marigold	2	3	+1
Tiger	12	10	-2
Flamingo	5	5	0
Fuchsia	3	3	0
Hummingbird	1	4	+3
Lavender	2	4	-2
Grasshopper	3	2	-1
Hellebore	5	4	-1
TOTAL	65	68	+3



**There is still
room for
improvement
on punctuality**

ATTENDANCE

Week Ending 18th March 2016

Robin = 94.80%
Rose = 96.67%
Ruby = 97.92%
Bluebell = 92.41%
Kingfisher = 97.41%
Sapphire = 98.52%
Marigold = 98.67%
Tiger = 94.83%
Flamingo = 94.33%
Fuchsia = 97.50%
Hummingbird = 92.14%
Lavender = 94.67%
Grasshopper = 97.00%
Hellebore = 91.00%



TOTAL = 95.50%

Congratulations to Marigold for attaining 98.67%
The National Standard is 95%
Our overall attendance last week is just above national standard. Well done. Let's keep working to maintain no less than National Standard.