

# Gresham Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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### Whole school attendance

**98%**

Thank you for your continuing support.

### Highest attending class

**Reception**

**Well done**

**We do hope that you had a lovely Easter. It's so lovely to see the children back after their Easter break.**

### **Message from Ms. Steele**

As we are now in the summer term and moving towards stages 3 & 4 of the relaxation of lockdown rules, the staff and I are looking at ways to expand school life for the children and start moving towards some kind of normality. Next week there will be some clubs on offer in class bubbles and until stage 4 is lifted on 21st June, this bubble approach will continue to be adopted.

We are hoping when we reach 21st June we will be able to open our gates properly once again and consider Sports Day, performances to parents and other events that we would normally do.

Obviously, we have to abide by the current regulations and guidance that could change at any given moment but we will be putting provisional dates in our calendar and on the website over the next couple of weeks and remain optimistic that they will go ahead.

Thank you for your on-going support!

### **School Photographs**

All children that were in school had their photograph taken with their class on Wednesday. Next week we will get the proofs.

Please follow the instructions and place any orders online.



## **New Caterers**

Our new caterers Chartwells started this week. We have been very impressed with the new varied menu and the food that is being offered to the children and staff.

## **Half Term on a Page**

The 'Half Term on a Page' documents have been reinstated for the summer term. These outline the key areas of learning for the current half term. We provide this information so parents and carers can talk to their children about their learning. Talking about learning provides additional opportunities for children to retrieve what they have learnt, thus helping learning to be transferred to their long-term memory.

These documents can be found under the curriculum menu, in each year group page on our website.

## **Be Careful**

Please do not let your child lean on the fence in the front car park. There is a bolt missing, it will be fixed but until then please be careful.

## **The Big Ask**

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has today launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

We would be grateful if you could help your child to [complete this survey](#).

Parents are also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back.

The results from these surveys will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

## Parents Association News

### **Easter Trail Eggs-travaganza**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent Easter trail; it was lovely to see so many Gresham families out and about. We hope you had a great time and enjoyed the treats and sights along the way! Congratulations to our prizewinners too. We will let you know how much was raised next week.

A huge thank you to Sarah Cusworth who organised this fantastic event, Tamsin for her wonderful artwork and to all our clue hosts with their creative 'hop stop' decorations.

### **Second hand uniform sale**

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought at the sale during the holidays. A big thank you to Julia and Laura for organising and setting up and Sara for ably assisting! We made £92.

### **Photography Competition - Embracing Spring**

We were treated to a wonderful array of entries for the photo competition. If you haven't seen them yet, they can all be viewed on padlet at <https://padlet.com/greshamschoolpa/xcdx5dx666d14ev4>

Judging is underway and it's going to be a very tricky decision as all the entries are of a very high standard! We will announce the winners soon.

Happy St George's Day! Have a nice weekend  
Thank you for reading our newsletter.

