Gresham Primary School Important Information for the week

Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm

16th October 2026

ASC Mob No 07391 547 884

Lunch Menu Week 1

School Privacy notice available here

Key dates for week beginning 19th October 2026

Monday	• Children to bring harvest donations in the morning (see below for details) • Year 3 Ruby parent rep meeting with Ms Steele 2:30pm
Tuesday	• Y2 around the world day • Week 1 of swimming for Year 4 • Boys' football training cancelled
Wednesday	• Tour for parents starting Reception in 2027 9:15am
Thursday	• Halloween Cake Sale (please see poster attached for details) • Housepoint assembly 9:15am – you will have received an e-mail today if your child is receiving an award. • Break up for half term
Friday	• Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Whole school attendance

96.5%

Highest attending class

Year 3 Ruby

100%

Parents' Evenings

An email was sent earlier this week regarding parents' evenings on Wednesday 4th and Wednesday 11th November. Please book your place by Monday 19th October at midday. We look forward to seeing you on the 4th or 11th November.

School Field

The school field is having much needed maintenance works. This is starting today and means the field will be out of action for 3 weeks. We have invested time and money in this project so please do not use the field. Some football clubs have already been cancelled. Please keep an eye out for further communications.

Parking

It was noticed this morning that a number of Gresham parents were parking on the zigzag lines outside the school. Pick-up and drop-off times are busy outside our school. This causes an increased safety risk to both children and parents. Parking restrictions outside the school are there to keep you and your children safe. White zig-zags indicate that both parking and overtaking in the area are strictly prohibited. Parking in the area near a pedestrian crossing could obstruct visibility for our families trying to cross a busy road. You also risk being fined. Police UK states: 'Fines can vary depending on location. Stopping in a restricted area outside a school will result in a higher fine.'

We understand that this is a minority of parents behaving in this way and ask that they take on board this request to park safely and help keep our community safe.

Thank you for reading- Have a nice weekend

If another adult other than yourself takes your child to school/picks them up, please forward this communication to them.

Uniform and coats

Please be reminded that no summer uniform items (summer dresses or shorts) should be worn after half term. All children should wear their winter uniform, including grey socks and black school shoes.

Also, as the weather gets colder and wetter please ensure your child has a suitable coat in school every day. Children without a coat will not be able to go outside if the weather is cold or wet and this is often disappointing for them.

Consents reminder

Further to the e-mail sent on Please be reminded that we need all consents to be completed on Arbor by Thursday 22nd October. If you are having any issues please contact the school office.

Harvest – Reminder

For a number of years, Gresham parents and staff have kindly donated items to Purley Food Hub in celebration of Harvest Festival. With cost of living raising year on year, we feel that it is more important than ever to support those families living in our community.

For those new to Gresham, we ask each year group to donate different items to ensure we can provide the range of goods needed for this month.

On Monday 19th October, at the start of the day, we will have tables available outside of the hall to put donated items. A volunteer from Purley Food Hub will collect the goods at some point during the day. If you are able to bring the donated items in a bag, we would be most grateful as it makes life easier transporting the items.

Reception class 550g of Breakfast Cereal

Year 1 Pasta Sauce in Cartons

Year 2 Packets of Dried Potato

Year 3 Tinned Carrots

Year 4 500g bags of Sugar

Year 5 Tinned Rice Pudding

Year 6 Children's Chocolate/Sweet treats

Additional Items

Unisex deodorant

Shampoo

Toilet Rolls

Scopes Academy October Half Term camp at Gresham

We are delighted to announce that The Scopes Academy will be running an exciting October Half-Term Camp at Gresham Primary School!

The camp will run from Monday 26th October to Thursday 29th October, from 9:00am to 3:00pm, and we are looking forward to welcoming lots of children and families for four fun-filled days of activities, creativity and adventure.

Scopes are pleased to be able to offer funded places as well as paid places. Families eligible for a funded place should receive communication regarding their vouchers shortly. If you are booking a funded place, a hot lunch is included.

Hot lunches will also be available to book separately for paid places.

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Booking a private paid place

https://the-scopes-academy.classforkids.io/camp/11

A hot lunch can be provided for the additional cost of £3 per child, per day. To book this please email

Info@thescopesacademy.com

Future dates (new dates in red)
Monday 26th- Friday 30th October Half Term
Monday 2nd November – Inset day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 3rd November – Year 4 swimming (Week 2)
Wednesday 4th November – Tempest in school for individual and sibling photographs
Wednesday 4th November – Parents' evening 5-8pm
Thursday 5th November - Tour for parents starting Reception in 2027 9:15am
Friday 6th November – Year 3 Sapphire parent rep meeting with Ms Steele 8:50am
Friday 6th November – Mufti Day for items for school fair (details to follow)
Monday 9th November – Deadline for flu vaccination consents
Monday 9th – Friday 13th November – Year 5 to Whitgift Primary Project (details to follow)
Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Assembly 10:30am (Year 6 parents only)
Wednesday 11th November – Year 4 parent rep meeting with Ms Steele 9am
Wednesday 11th November – Parents' evening 4-7pm
Thursday 12th November - Tour for parents starting Reception in 2027 9:15am
Thursday 12th November – Nurses in school to deliver flu vaccines (please see e-mail sent 10th September for details, including how to provide consent)
Friday 13th November – PA Quiz night
Monday 16th November – Year 3 Stone Age Day in school (details to follow)
Tuesday 17th November – Nurses in school for Y5 flu vaccinations
Tuesday 17th November – Year 4 swimming (Week 3)
Wednesday 18th November - Tour for parents starting Reception in 2027 9:15am
Friday 20th November - Tour for parents starting Reception in 2027 9:15am
Friday 20th November – Mufti for items for the school fair (details to follow)
Tuesday 24th November – Year 2 Great Fire of London Day (details to follow)
Tuesday 24th November – Reception and Year 6 height and weight (details to follow)
Sunday 29th November – PA Christmas Fair 2-4pm
Tuesday 1st December – Year 4 swimming (week 4)
Wednesday 2nd December – Year 1 to All Saints Church for 'Christmas unwrapped' workshop (details to follow)
Monday 14th December – PA Secret Santa
Tuesday 15th December – Year 4 swimming (week 5)
Thursday 17th December – Carol Service at All Saints Church – all welcome.
Friday 18th December – School finishes for Christmas break.

PA news

26/27 Committee

Following the AGM on the 14th October we are thrilled to announce that Sabah (mum to Ayaan in Y2) has stepped forward to be our new Chair for 26/27. Leah has also stepped

up as Secretary (mum to Elliot in Y4) and Danielle will continue as Treasurer (mum to Ben in Y5 and Jack in Y2). They form the formal committee but are supported by a whole host of volunteers and we are always looking for new supporters with fresh ideas so please get in touch if you would like to be involved - email greshamschoolpa@gmail.com

Events

Our first event for the year is the **Pub Quiz** on the 13th November. Please find the flyer attached. Organise a team for your class and book tickets at https://www.pta-events.co.uk/greshampa

Please remember to save the date for the **Christmas Grotto and Market** on the 29th November - more details to come.

Easy Fundraising

A reminder that a really easy way for you to support the PA is to sign up to EasyFundraising

Shop with over 8,000 retailers and earn a free donation for PA at the same time.

All the big names like Argos, John Lewis & Partners, Tesco and Just Eat are ready to donate. It won't cost you anything extra!

Matched Funding

Does your company match fund charities or not-for-profit organisations?

If your company offers match funding for charities you work with, please let us know. We are very lucky to have had parents/carers in the past who have managed to secure match funding simply by helping out at an event.