

Greasby Junior School

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Merit of the Week

Merit Award

Year 3: Joshua D-Mc & Noah W

Year 4: Ezra W & Isla S

Year 5: Temi-Rose B & Oliver R

Year 6: Will M & Max G

Attendance

Year 3: 97.7% Year 4: 96.9% Year 5: 93.4%

Year 6: 97.6%

Whole School: 96.0%



Values Awards

Year 3: George B Year 4: Lowen T Year 5: Betsy B Year 6: Max J



Golden Table Awards



Year 3: Ralphie Y Year 4: Lucy C Year 5: Mia W Year 6: Brendan C

What's on at school next week?

(Week beginning 20th October)

Monday: Archery Assembly

Homework Club (12:00pm) Middle Recorder Club (12:30pm)

Tuesday: Optional Non-Uniform Day

Homework Club (12:00pm)

Craft Club (12:30pm)

Indoor Ball Games Club (12:30pm) Time Out Tuesday (12:30pm) Karate Club (Time TBC) DISCO (3:45 – 5:15PM) Thursday: Non-Uniform for Day & Shaw

Homework Club (12:00pm)
Golden Table (12:00pm)
Cross Country (12:30pm)
School Council (12:30pm)
YEAR 6 HEIGHTS (pm)
Chess Club (3:35pm)

Friday: INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO

CHILDREN

Wednesday: Homework Club (12:00pm)

Year 6 Netball Club (12:30pm) Year 6 Football (12:30pm)

Drama (12:30pm)

Mad Science Club (3:35pm)





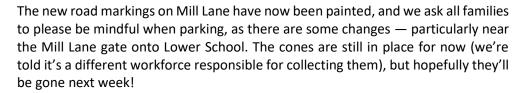






Weekly Round-Up

It's been a very eventful week at GJS — one I'm sure many of you will appreciate for a variety of reasons!





On Monday, we kicked off the week with Cross-Country, where many of our children achieved personal bests and even brought home medals \overline{\mathbb{W}}\). Huge congratulations to all who took part and a big thank you to Mr Goodman for supporting the team in Mr Owen's absence.

Throughout the week, many of our Year 3 and 4 children have taken part in the Learn to Ride sessions with Bikeability. We are so proud of their perseverance, positivity, and growing confidence on two wheels! Several pupils are now proudly riding to school thanks to their new skills — an incredible achievement.

Then came the unexpected excitement — a burst pipe and flood in Upper School! This meant we had to delay opening by 40 minutes on Wednesday morning while staff worked together to get everything safe and ready. I am so proud of the team for their teamwork, calmness and determination to get the school back up and running so quickly. Without that effort, the delay would have been much longer. To help everyone settle back in after the disruption, the whole school had a softer start with some mindfulness activities — a lovely way to help everyone feel calm, reassured, and ready to learn again.

A special well done to 5MO, who were most affected by the flooding (their classroom was practically paddle-worthy!) and to Year 5 as a whole for showing such resilience and adaptability. Four carpeted rooms were impacted, but thanks to Mr Whiteley, several staff members, a hired Rug Doctor and our trusty central heating, the carpets are almost dry. We're hopeful that everything will be back to normal by Monday.

It's also been Parents' Evening week, and it was wonderful to see so many parents and families in school. Thank you for taking the time to come and meet with teachers — it's always great to see such engagement and a strong team around the children. We hope everyone left with a clearer understanding of how their child has settled into their new year group at GJS and how we can continue working together to achieve the very best for them. Please note that Mr Owen's appointments were postponed on Tuesday and Wednesday due to illness; these have now been rearranged for the Tuesday and Thursday of the first week back after half term.

Across the classrooms:

- Year 3 have been putting their computing skills to the test by creating digital posters about their learning so
 far this term. Using Pic Collage and safe internet searches, children combined text and images to celebrate
 topics such as Seal Surfer and Lowry.
- Year 4 have been hard at work on their animal stories, using fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases to bring their writing to life.
- **Year 5** explored the story of *The Feeding of the 5000* in RE, using acting and freeze frames to reflect on the thoughts and feelings of the characters.
- Year 6 have been busy mathematicians, practising key skills representing division in different ways, using bar models to solve puzzles, and finding common multiples of numbers.

Looking ahead to next week:











Monday - Workshops for both Year 5 and 6 in the afternoon. Year 5 will be focusing on challenging hate within our world while Year 6 will be learning about diversity role models in our society.

Tuesday – School Disco after school! This is a non-uniform day, so children can come disco-ready. Please see the information below for details on timings and costs.

Thursday – Rescheduled Year 6 height and weight checks with the NHS.

Thursday – Another non-uniform day for Day and Shaw house teams, who were our team point winners this half term! Well done to everyone — it was a close competition right to the end.

Another week full of teamwork, resilience and community spirit — thank you to everyone for your support and understanding during such an eventful few days!

Online Safety

Many children in Key Stage 2 enjoy playing online games with friends — from football matches to creative worlds and adventure games. Gaming can be great fun and help children connect with others, but it's also important that they know how to stay safe while playing.



This week, take a few minutes to talk with your child about their gaming:

- Ask who they play with do they know everyone in their online games?
- Check voice and chat settings encourage them to keep conversations to friends they know in real life.
- Remind them never to share personal details such as their real name, school or where they live.
- **Set clear boundaries** for when and how long they play, helping them balance gaming with homework, friends and rest.

Having open, regular conversations about gaming helps children make safer choices and feel confident coming to you if something worries them.

For more practical tips on supporting your child's gaming habits, visit www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/hot-topics/gaming.

Disco

Half Term Disco

We are excited to announce that the school disco will be held on **Tuesday 21**st **October**, starting at **3:45pm** and finishing at **5:15pm**. Tickets are available for **£3** and can be purchased via your child's Arbor account under the 'Club' section. Ticket sales will remain open until **9am on Tuesday 21**st.

Please note, **no physical tickets will be given to the children**. Instead, each class teacher will receive a list of children who have paid for the disco. Those children will remain in school and be escorted to the disco at 3:45pm. **Children who have not purchased a ticket** will be dismissed as usual onto the playground at the end of the school day.



There is an option to **pay on the door**, but if you choose this, **your child must be accompanied by an adult**. This is to ensure that all parents and carers are aware of their child's whereabouts during the event.

A few important reminders:

- Children should attend school in appropriate non-uniform, but costumes and makeup are not permitted.
- At the end of the disco, all children must be collected by an adult unless they are attending Windmills After School Club.











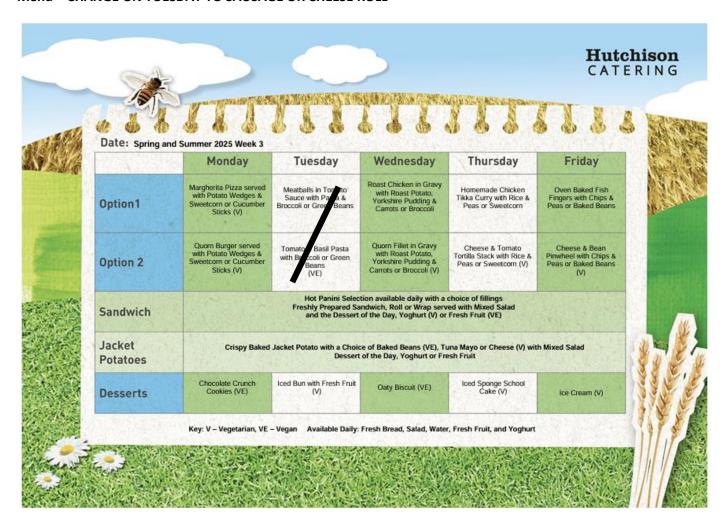
- Children will be collected from the hall via the **Main Entrance**. This system has worked well for a number of years and helps to avoid any congestion.
- Once collected, children will be **dismissed from the Lower School Gate**. Please take this into consideration when parking, as it may affect your access.

This event is being run by the **PTA**, and we would like to say a huge thank you to those parents who are able to support our school and provide these opportunities for our children. If you are able and willing to help out with this or future events, please contact **PTA@greasby-junior.wirral.sch.uk**.

The discos have always been fun-filled, successful events, and we are excited to announce there will also be a **children's raffle** during the disco. The usual food, games, toys, and a quiet space will be available for the children to enjoy. Just a reminder about the amount of money pupils should bring in a wallet or purse – no more than £5-£10 is needed.

We look forward to another fantastic event!

Menu – CHANGE ON TUESDAY TO SAUSAGE OR CHEESE ROLL

















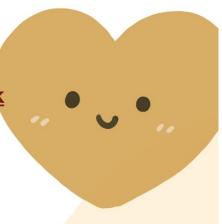


This can include challenges with children's presentation, emotional wellbeing and mental health, outside school activities and sleep but to name a few.

Dates: 6th November 2025 3:30pm 11th November 2025 3:30pm (with a session every half-term going forward)

For further information, please contact Joanna Walker, pastoral@greasby-junior.wirral.sch.uk























Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emma Ball, Headteacher

INSET Days Monday 1st September Friday 24th October Monday 5th January Friday 13th February Monday 20th July









