



Greasyby Junior School

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Merit of the Week



Year 3: Rowan & George W
Year 4: Jack W & Arlo Mc
Year 5: Tabitha P & Aniya J
Year 6: Theo B & Elisabeth P

Attendance

Year 3: 94%
Year 4: 96.4%
Year 5: 97.6%
Year 6: 95%
Whole School: 95.7%



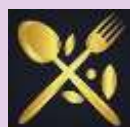
Values Awards



Year 3: Verity K & Marius C
Year 4: Joseff R
Year 5: Noah P
Year 6: Evie H, Chloe B & Bobby W

Golden Table Awards

Year 3: George W
Year 4: Leela J
Year 5: Joseph S
Year 6: Gabriel A



Handwriting Award

Year 3: Georgia L & Joshua D-Mc
Year 4: Archie H & Freddie C
Year 5: Carter W & Thomas S
Year 6: Leighton C & Emilie Mc



What's on at school next week?

(Week beginning 26th January)

4JR swimming every afternoon this week

Monday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Middle Recorder Club (12:30pm)
Spaghetti Maths Club (3:35pm)

Tuesday: Year 5 Bikeability (Group 1 – spaces already allocated)
Homework Club (12:00pm)
Craft Club (12:30pm)
Indoor Athletics Club (12:30pm)
Time Out Tuesday (12:30pm)

Wednesday: Year 5 Bikeability (Group 2 – spaces already allocated)
Homework Club (12:00pm)
Golden Table (12:00pm)
Choir (12:30pm)

Thursday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Year 5&6 Judo Club (12:20pm)
Football (12:30pm)
Drawing & Colouring Club (12:30pm)
Chess Club (3:35pm)

Friday: School Council (12:30pm)
Year 6 Netball (12:30pm)
Film Friday (12:30pm)



In classrooms this week:

- Year 3 have had great fun using play-doh to mimic the process of sedimentary rock formation! They showed their knowledge of layers of rock building up over thousands of years. They also demonstrated super collaborations skills and scientific vocabulary use!
- Year 4 have been enjoying their 'Sound' unit in Science. They have taken part in several interesting investigations to explore how sound travels through solids, liquids and gases.
- Year 5 have been 'raising aspirations' this week! They are currently working through an ambitions and careers programme to open minds about future prospects, skills, interviews and career opportunities. This week, they have been focused on the skills needed to write a CV!
- Year 6 have been working really hard in gymnastics this week, including some impressive shoulder stands! Well done everyone!

National Handwriting Day



Since our return in January, here at GJS we have placed an increased focus on correct letter formation and handwriting to help reduce the cognitive load pupils experience during spelling and writing tasks. By developing fluent and legible handwriting skills, pupils can concentrate more on the content of their writing rather than the mechanics, supporting improved overall writing outcomes. We are pleased to report that many pupils have made excellent progress in this area, demonstrating greater confidence and neatness in their work. To involve families

in celebrating this achievement, we encourage parents to ask their children to show their neatest handwriting at home. In recognition of National Handwriting Day today, we have celebrated one child from each class who has shown the most improved handwriting since Christmas. Well done everyone for all of your hard work in handwriting – keep it up!

Attendance Update

At Greasby Junior School, we have noticed that attendance is currently a little lower than usual, and we are committed to maintaining attendance above 97% to give every pupil the best chance to thrive academically and socially. We understand that coughs and colds are common during this season, and we want to support families as much as possible. To help your child stay in school, we can administer medicines such as Calpol when needed, ensuring they feel comfortable and ready to learn.

Research shows that pupils with lower attendance at Key Stage 2 tend to have lower attainment outcomes, with those missing more than 4.7% of school time less likely to meet expected standards in reading, writing, and maths. Missing even a few days each term can make it harder for pupils to keep up with their learning, so regular attendance really does make a big difference. We are here to work with you to support your child's attendance and wellbeing, so please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need any advice or support.



Parking



We would like to remind parents and carers that the school car park is for Blue Badge holders and those who have a prior agreement in place with the school. Recently, we have seen an increase in unauthorised parking, which can cause congestion and impact access for those who genuinely need these spaces. We kindly ask all families to support us by using alternative parking arrangements unless you have permission to use the car park. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us keep everyone safe and ensure fair access for those who need it most.

Menu – Week 2

MENU WEEK 2

SERVED W/C:

THE
FOOD
EXPLORERS

Hutchison

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

MAIN
MEAL

OPTION
1

Margherita Pizza & Wedges

Sausage & Mashed Potatoes with Gravy

Cottage Pie with Gravy

Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta Bake

Tex-mex Vegetable Fajita Wrap

OPTION
2

MSC Approved Salmon Pasta Bake

Pork & Beef Sausage, Mash & Gravy

Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Mild Caribbean Chicken Curry with Carrot Rice

MSC Approved Fish & Chips

VEGGIES

Peas

Carrot & Peas

Broccoli & Cauliflower

Carrot & Mixed Salad

Baked Beans

FILLED
ROLLS

Tuna Mayo Cheese

Chicken Egg

Ham Cheese

Tuna Mayo Ham Cheese

Egg Cheese

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Our crunchy colourful salad & jacket potatoes with cheese, beans, tuna mayo or cheese and beans

SWEET
TREATS

Strawberry Mousse

Oaty Apple Crumble & Custard

Original Flapjack

Chocolate & Carrot Muffin

Raspberry Jelly & Mandarins

Desserts available every day - a choice of jelly, fruit or yoghurt

KEY

Nutritionist's Choice

Vegetarian

Vegan

Added Wholewheat

Community Events

Let's talk about our kids and their tech

PARENT TALK WITH VICTORIA

ST GEORGE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

DATE & TIME

WEDNESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2026 – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Dr Victoria Joesbury

Victoria is a GP in Wirral, Merseyside and has been concerned about the detrimental effect that the increase in smartphone and screen use has been having on young people.

She is a parent to four children, two of whom already have smartphones and has seen first hand some of the problems this has caused. She became a regional leader for the grassroots movement Smartphone Free Childhood in 2024 to help raise awareness and support parents.

This PAPAYA talk is being held at St George's Primary School in Wallasey and focuses on supporting parents in navigating their children's use of smartphones and the online world. The session will include information about parenting in the digital age along with practical tips for achieving a healthy balance with screen time, followed by an opportunity for discussion and questions. The talk will be delivered by Dr Victoria Joesbury, a local GP who works on the Wirral.



Wirral Young Musician of the Year 2026

**Sunday 22nd March
Heswall Hall, Wirral**

The competition is open to all pupils who attend schools within Wirral.

There are categories for both instrumental and vocal within each age group and cash bursaries are on offer for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed performers in each. Written feedback from judges will be given to all performers.

Entries cost £7 and deadline to apply is Friday 13th February

**For more information visit:
www.lovemusictrust.com/WYM26**

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Wired Carers Drop-In

Are you an unpaid carer in Wirral?

Why not come along to one of our free drop-in sessions for unpaid carers, where you can access valuable information, advice and support on a range of topics, such as:

- Carer's Allowance
 - Eligibility for financial support
 - Local services
 - Benefits you may be entitled to
- And much more!



West Kirby Carers Drop-In

- AGE UK Cafe, Marine Place, Marine Lake Medical Centre, Orrysdale Rd, West Kirby, CH48 4HX
- 3rd Thursday of the month, 10am-12pm
- Free tea and coffee is provided

www.wired.me.uk

If you would like more information, please contact:

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GJS EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE – SPRING 1

MONDAY

<u>Club</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Who?</u>
Homework Club	Lower ICT	12pm	Mrs Walker
Middle Recorders	6P	12.30pm	Miss Price
Spaghetti Maths	Upper ICT	3.35pm	Kate Yates

TUESDAY

<u>Club</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Who?</u>
Coding Club	ICT	8am	Coding Warrington
Homework Club	Lower ICT	12pm	Mrs Walker
Craft Club	4JR	12.30pm	Mrs Wetherall
Indoor Athletics	Hall	12.30pm	Mr Owen
Time Out Tuesday	Miss Walker's Room	12.30pm	Mrs Mullineux-Clay

WEDNESDAY

<u>Club</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Who?</u>
Y5/6 Homework Club	Lower ICT	12pm	Mrs Walker
Choir	Hall	12.30pm	Miss Brown/Miss Price

THURSDAY

<u>Club</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Who?</u>
Y3/4 Homework Club	Lower ICT	12pm	Mrs Walker
Drawing and Colouring	3MC	12.30pm	Mrs McIlveen
Judo	Hall	12.20pm	Chris
Chess	Upper ICT	3.35pm	Mr Battersby

FRIDAY

<u>Club</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>When?</u>	<u>Who?</u>
Film Friday	Miss Walker's Room	12.30pm	Mrs Swift
School Council	4JR	12.30pm	Miss Roberts
Y6 Netball	Playground	12.30pm	Mrs Allport

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Lucy Swift, Deputy Headteacher

INSET Days

~~Monday 1st September~~

~~Friday 24th October~~

~~Monday 5th January~~

Friday 13th February

Monday 20th July