



Georgeham CofE Primary School

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Newsletter – Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy week at Georgeham, I would like to thank our children, staff and families for the care, kindness and support they continue to show one another. It has been a week filled with purposeful learning, thoughtful reflection and many moments that remind us what a special community we are fortunate to be part of.

Today we wished all our Year 5 and 6 athletes the very best of luck as they represented the school at the annual Stephens Shield Cross Country Event. We are incredibly proud of their commitment, resilience and sporting spirit. There were some amazing results and we hope they all enjoyed being wonderful ambassadors for our school.

Across the school, children have continued to engage enthusiastically in their learning. Jellyfish and Starfish Classes enjoyed a visit to a local milking farm as part of their local history topic, deepening their understanding of farming traditions and the importance of agriculture within our community. Dolphin Class have been creating presentations to showcase their knowledge of the Tudors, while Manta Ray Class have begun producing some beautiful landscape artwork using acrylic paints. It has been lovely to see the creativity, curiosity and pride that children are bringing to their work.

A gentle reminder that our Parent and Carer Evenings will take place on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st next week. We look forward to welcoming you into school and sharing your child's learning and progress so far this year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support both in and out of school in our wonderful community. We wish you all a peaceful and restful weekend.

Warmest regards,
Mr Kevin Fry, Head Teacher

THIS WEEKS ACHIVERS

Jellyfish: **Nathan** for great phonics and really good reading this week.

Manta Ray: **Lola** for her excellent writing.

Dolphins: **Nic** for working incredibly hard, he is such a great role model.



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P.E days and Clubs Timetable

	ACTIVITY	TIME	LEADER	AGE / year group
MONDAY				
	Walking Bus	08:00	Teacher led	R-Y6
	Breakfast Club	8am to 8.45	Judith Ash	R-Y6
	P.E. DAY	pm	Teacher	Jellyfish (R,1,2)
Tuesday				
	Walking Bus	08:00	Teacher led	R-Y6
	Breakfast Club	8am to 8.45	Judith Ash	R-Y6
Sign up with DTA	Tennis Club	8am to 8.45	DTA (external provider)	R-Y6
	P.E. DAY	pm	Teachers	Mantarays (3,4) Dolphins (5,6)
	ASC	3:15 to 5pm	Gemma Langrish	R-Y6
	Ukelele Club	3:15 to 4.15	Mrs Parker	Years 2-6
Wednesday				
	Cross Country Running.	07.50	Ms Hill Ms Chugg + volunteer	Yrs 3-6 max 20
	Walking Bus	08:00	Teacher led	R-Y6
	Breakfast Club	8am to 8.45	Judith Ash	R-Y6
	ASC	3:15 to 5pm	Helen Cooper	R-Y6
Thursday				
	Walking Bus	08:00	Teacher led	R-Y6
	Breakfast Club	8am to 8.45	Helen Cooper	R-Y6
	P.E. DAY	pm	Teachers	Mantarays (3,4) Dolphins (5,6)
	ASC	3:15 to 5pm	Helen & Gemma	R-Y6
Sign up with SCox	French Club	3.15 to 4.00	Sarah Cox (external provider)	
Friday				
	Walking Bus	08:00	Teacher led	R-Y6
	Breakfast Club	8am to 8.45	Helen Cooper	R-Y6
Sign up with DTA	Basketball Club	8am to 8.45	DTA (external provider)	R-Y6
	P.E. DAY	pm	Teacher	Jellyfish (R,1,2)



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NOTICES and REMINDERS

- **NO UKELELE Club next Tuesday due to parents evening.**
- Request for donations of infant wellies sizes 7-10, and any no-longer-required clothing age 3-4 years to keep as spares, especially socks, in the preschool. THANK YOU !
- **ARBOR FRIYAY !** pls log on to make a payment for meals.
- **COATS:** please ensure children bring a warm and waterproof coat in **every day**
- **MEDICAL NEEDS:** A gentle reminder that it is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that any medical information on their child's Arbor profile is kept up to date. This includes adding new medical conditions, updating existing information, or removing details that are no longer relevant. Arbor is our primary source of medical information and is relied upon by all members of staff, particularly in the event of an emergency or when key staff members, such as Lottie or your child's class teacher, are unavailable due to training, illness, school trips, or other absences. Accurate records are therefore essential to help us provide appropriate care and ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children whilst they are in school.
Thank you for your support in keeping this information current.
- **FLOOD ACTION WEEK:** Here is a useful communication from Devon County Council about.
[Special bulletin: Flood Action Week](#)



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Extra-Curricular Sports and Music

for any questions or to sign up please contact the club leader directly. (see timetable on p2)

Rob Cook: Devonshire Tennis Academy
Early morning Sports coaching (tennis/gym/basketball)
rob@devonshiretennisacademy.com
07852 370637 www.devonshiretennisacademy.com

Sarah Cox: Guitar, Singing, and French Club
sarahcoxtutoring@gmail.com 07891 844 923

Amy Redfern: Piano, Flute or Saxophone 07702 620181
amyredfern@

Please note that music lessons are part of the school day. The teachers will try to mix it up so children are not missing the same lesson every week.

FRIENDS OF GEORGEHAM SCHOOL (aka FROGS!)

[FROGS \(Friends of Georgeham School\)](#) on Facebook!

Our FROGS charity committee are:

- Joe and Reinhart Conle-Paelinck
- Anna Arnold/Sweet
- Gemma and Peter Langrish
- Nina Griffiths
- Tiff Mackenzie-Hall
- Amy Redfern
- Lennie Smith (Treasurer)

There's always room for more - if you'd like to get involved have a chat with any of the members above. They'll be more than happy to tell you more. **On-the-day helpers are crucial**, if you'd prefer to support occasionally, do ask to be added to that group.

Safeguarding

It is the responsibility of each parent or guardian to inform the school of any changes concerning their own child. This responsibility should not fall to the child or to another parent, unless there is an exceptional circumstance that prevents the primary guardian from making contact.

** You may register other parents on your child's Arbor profile as a friend who 'can collect'.

Go to **Family/Guardian/Contacts, add contact, enter details** and register them as a 'friend' and then choose 'can collect'. (Ensure is legal or primary parent is unchecked) **

Absence Reporting

If your child is absent please let us know
before 08.30am by either:

Email: georgeham@thsp.org.uk
Phone: **01271 890 440 then option 1**

Please speak clearly and always give details about the reason for the absence. **You must report in everyday** even if you think we know the reason why.

Parent Reps

WHATS APP GROUPS

These groups are our jungle drums, for the purpose of quickly circulating **vital school information**. A rare but necessary function.

The parent rep should really be the only one to post but do of course ask for clarity if needed. No need to post thank you's, just give it a thumbs up to acknowledge. (Lots of replies detract from the important, or urgent message)

- **Cohort 27** Kate Woodeson (6)
- **Cohort 28** Tiff Mackenzie Hall (5)
- **Cohort 29** Harriet Krarup (4)
- **Cohort 30** Tiff Mackenzie Hall (3)
- **Cohort 31** Jayne Carter (2)
- **Cohort 32** Lyndsay Walton (1)
- **Cohort 33** Emma Seels (R)
- **Cohort 34** Gemma Langrish (N2)
- **Cohort 35** Gemma Langrish (N1)

Ideally we have a different parent for cohort 28 and 30, 34 and 35
Please let Tiff or Gemma know if you are happy to take over a group.



DIARY and NOTICES

AUTUMN TERM #1

- **Tues 20th Oct:** 3.30-6pm parents evening#1 **NO UKELELE CLUB tonight**
- **Wed 21st Oct:** 3.30-6pm parents evening#2
- **Fri 23rd Oct: INSET DAY**
- **Half term:** Mon 26th Oct to Fri 30th Oct 2026

• AUTUMN TERM #2

- **Term #2 starts:** Mon 2nd Nov 2026
- **Thurs 5th Nov:** Open Wide Dental visit for the Jellyfish class.
- **Thurs 5th Nov:** Early Numbers Parent workshop 3.30pm
- **Tues 10th Nov:** PM Yr 5/6 TAG rugby tournament (details to come)
- **Mon 23rd Nov:** AM Yr 3&4 Basketball festival, (details to come).
- **Fri 27th Nov:** Visit from Ian Frome MP
- **Tues 1st Dec:** PM yr 5&6 Indoor athletics (details to come)
- **** Thurs 10th Dec: Nativity x 2 pm and evening performances ****
- **Wed 16th Dec:** whole school Christmas lunch
- **Thurs 17th Dec:** 9.30 AM Christmas service in the church; Christmas parties in the afternoon !
- **End Term 2:** Fri 18th December 2026

• SPRING TERM #3

- **Mon 4th Jan = INSET DAY**
- **Term #3 students start:** Tuesday 5th Jan 2027
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Devon Family Hub FREE family advice and guidance for parents/carers
for children aged 0-13, or young people aged 13-19,
or up to 25yrs for young people with SEND

Single session appointments available in person, via phone or online.

0800 538 5458 Mon-Friday 10am-4pm



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School term dates

September 2026 to July 2027

INSET DAY	Thurs 3 rd September 2026
INSET DAY	Fri 4 th September 2026
Start Autumn Term 1 2026	Mon 7 th September 2026
End Term 1	Thurs 22 nd October 26
INSET DAY	Fri 23 rd October 2026
Half term break	Mon 26th Oct to Fri 30th Oct 2026
Start Autumn Term 2	Mon 2 nd Nov 2026
End Term 2	Fri 18 th December 2026
INSET DAY	Mon 4 th January 2027
Start Spring Term 3 2027	Tues 5 th January 2027
End Term 3	Fri 12 th Feb 2027
Half term break	Mon 15th Feb to Fri 19th Feb 2027
Start Spring Term 4 2027	Mon 22 nd February 2027
End Term 4	Thurs 25 th March 2027
Easter Holidays	Fri 26 th March to Fri 9 th April 2027
Start Summer Term 5 2027	Mon 12 th April 2027
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 3 rd May 2027
End Term 5	Fri 28 th May 2027
Half term break	Mon 31st May to Fri 4th June 2027
Start Summer Term 6 2027	Mon 7 th June 2027
End Term 6	Thurs 22 nd July 2027
INSET DAY	Fri 23 rd July 2027



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INSET DAY	Thurs 2nd September 2027
INSET DAY	Fri 3rd September 2027
Start Autumn Term 1 2027	Mon 6th September 2027
INSET DAY	Fri 22nd October 2027
Half term break	Mon 25th Oct to Fri 29th Oct 2027
Start Autumn Term 2 2027	Monday 1st November 2027
End Term 2027	Friday 17th December 2027
INSET DAY	Monday 20th December 2027
Start Spring Term 3 2028	Tuesday 4th January 2028
End Spring term 3	Friday 11th Feb 2028
Half term break	Mon 14th Feb to Fri 18th Feb 2028
Start Spring Term 4 2028	Monday 21st Feb 2028
End Term 4	Friday 31st March 2028
Easter Holidays	Mon 3rd April to Friday 18th April 28
INSET DAY	Tues 18th April 2028
Start Summer Term 5 2028	Wed 19th April 2028
May Day Bank Holiday	Mon 1st May 2028
End Term 5	Fri 26th May 2028
Half term break	Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd June 2028
Start Summer Term 6 2028	Monday 5th June 2028
End Term 2027	Fri 21st July 2028