



Georgeham CofE Primary School

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Newsletter – Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I've really enjoyed this week - it has been wonderful to visit classrooms and see the fantastic learning taking place across the school. The children have impressed us with their enthusiasm, creativity and determination, particularly in their writing and history lessons. We have seen some outstanding examples of historical enquiry, thoughtful discussions and high-quality written work that the children should be very proud of.

Next week, children across the school will begin their first Religious Education units of the academic year. RE is an important part of our curriculum and provides opportunities for children to explore beliefs, values and big questions about the world around them. We look forward to seeing their curiosity and understanding develop throughout these new topics.

It was also lovely to see both Jellyfish Class and Manta Ray Class out and about on their local educational visits this week. The children enjoyed exploring local farms and discovering the natural beauty of our surrounding area. These experiences help bring learning to life and deepen children's understanding of the world around them.

Congratulations to **House Air**, who have won the House Cup for the first time this academic year. A fantastic achievement and well deserved recognition for their teamwork and positive contributions. A special well done goes to **Rowan Carter**, who received this week's **Flourishing Award** for her pure grit, determination and perseverance. Rowan has shown an excellent attitude to learning and is a wonderful role model for others.

Finally, congratulations to **Year 2 and Year 6**, who achieved the best attendance this week with an impressive **96%** attendance rate.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you all have a wonderful and relaxing weekend.

Mr Kevin Fry. Head Teacher



STARS OF THE WEEK



Jellyfish: **Lucas C** for asking fantastic questions on the farm trip, being confident and curious.

Manta Ray: **Zephyr** for his amazing work this week, and super talk expectations.

Dolphins: **Mitzy-Rose** Ms Chugg said you listened well, handed in some excellent writing, and were just overall wonderful this week. Superb 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)



NOTICES and REMINDERS

- **FLU Immunisations on Wed 14th Oct:** deadline to complete online form is 9am Tues 13th October 2026. Any issues please contact: 01392 342678
<https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu?schoolcode=DV113375>
- **ARBOR FRIYAY !** pls log on to make a payment for meals, and update consents if you have not already done so.
- **PARENTS EVENINGS:** We are delighted that every parent is booked in ! (Just 2 to confirm that). Please note that unless you have booked a place in ASC it is advisable that you do not have your children with you.
- **COATS:** please ensure children bring a warm and waterproof coat in **every day**.

For any of our SEND families, a last request for responses to the Gov inspection of services....

Reminder: Ofsted/CQC want your experience of Devon's SEND support by 9am Tuesday 13 October

Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) are carrying out an inspection of services and support for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in Devon.

As part of the inspection, inspectors want to hear directly from you.

The survey will only be open until **9am on Tuesday 13 October**, so there only a few more days to share your views.

Take the survey here  <https://ofsted.smartsurvey.co.uk/p/AreaSend/10420455>



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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
- **Cohort 28** Tiff Mackenzie Hall
- **Cohort 29** Harriet Krarup
- **Cohort 30** Tiff Mackenzie Hall
- **Cohort 31** Jayne Carter
- **Cohort 32** Lyndsay Walton
- **Cohort 33** Emma Seels
- **Cohort 34** Gemma Langrish
- **Cohort 35** Gemma Langrish

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.



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DIARY and NOTICES

AUTUMN TERM #1

- **Wed 14th Oct:** whole school Flu immunisations – **deadline to sign up 9am 13th Oct.**
- **Thurs 15th Oct:** Jellyfish class outing#2 (local, so NOT in Arbor)
- **Tues 20th Oct:** 3.30-6pm parents evening#1
- **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; pm Christmas parties.
- **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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September 2026 to July 2027

INSET DAY	Thurs 3rd September 2026
INSET DAY	Fri 4th September 2026
Start Autumn Term 1 2026	Mon 7 th September 2026
End Term 1	Thurs 22 nd October 26
INSET DAY	Fri 23rd 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 4th 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 23rd 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