

GRASVENOR NEWS

School Reopening

School is reopening next week for children from Bumblebees and Ladybirds. Eleven children from Bumblebees will be joining us on Monday and Tuesdays followed by four from Ladybirds on Thursdays and Fridays. We are all looking forward to welcoming them back.

The key worker provision is still going strong and has two new children joining it from next week.

Those that are attending please remember these key points.

- A named water bottle that will remain at school
- A named hat that will remain at school
- A named suntan lotion that will remain in school (please show your child how to apply before returning to school as we are unable to do so).
- Be wearing clean clothes everyday
- NO book bags

Parents must follow the one way system and leave the site immediately please both before and after school. The climbing frame will not be open for families to play on after school. Individuals who do not follow these rules jeopardise the safety of staff, pupils and parents and may not be permitted on site in future.

We will stagger the entry times to reduce congestion at this time:

Group	Arrive	Collected
Key worker provision	8.30-8.45	3.15-3.30
Year 1	8.45-9.00	3.00-3.15
Year R	9.00-9.15	2.45-3.00

Postcard Praise

Ladybirds



Evren

Praise for his effort on making words from a letter hunt.

Bumblebees



Maria

Praise for her improvement in independent reading and her maths work on place value.

Dragonflies

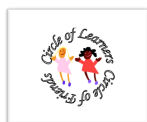


Astrid

Praise for great research on Pandas and time work.

FOG

Please read this letter from Clare (chairperson) which explains ways in which you can still support FOG even though you may not be at School and the fact that we are currently unable to hold fundraising events.



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all doing well and just wanted to update you on a couple of things that have been happening/ongoing throughout the lockdown period.

As some of you may remember we achieved our charity status just after the lockdown happened. This is a great thing for The Friends of Grasvenor Association as it widens our ability to raise valuable funds for the school even when we are unable to host active events. Some of you may know of and/or already use EasyFundraising which we have had in place for some time. It is a site that allows you to place online shops, with Tesco for example, and provides a donation of your shopping total to FOG. All you have to do is use the site to shop with retailers and they do the rest.

Since registering as a charity FOG has also enabled donations from Amazon Smile. Again, all that is required from you will be to sign up to Amazon Smile, recognize us as your chosen charity and Amazon will do the rest. Financially, on both sites you will have nothing extra to pay and no additional information is required as the businesses do all of that once you have registered. Once we are up and running again we will also be able to ask for GiftAid for UK tax payers and this will make a huge difference to our available funds!

Why are FOG contacting you now?

This is a good question! With few children currently in school, why should we promote supporting your PTA?

There is so much still going on in school and as Chair of the PTA as well as a parent I understand how much support is still needed.

As a committee, FOG have agreed a £1000 donation towards ongoing cleaning of the school as well as an additional payment in full for PPE for the staff working on site. I felt as Chair, that although we are losing a significant amount of funds by not being able to host our annual sponsored run (which last year raised almost £1000 and bought a defibrillator for the school's and local community's use) as well as our amazing Strawberry Fayre, we had more than enough funds to offer something more than reading books and playground resources. Keeping our school and staff safe and able to care for the children long-term is very much a priority at this time. However, we do need to recoup these funds as we look towards next year.

Therefore if you shop online and can add us as your charity for donations, wish to offer a financial donation or perhaps help with equipment that can be used in or around the school PLEASE DO! We will need all the help we can find once we are able to get up and running again.

Thank you for all you already do in supporting Grasvenor Avenue Infant School's staff and children and The Friends of Grasvenor Association.

Clare

Clare Russell
Chair - Friends of Grasvenor

School Uniform

If any of you are thinking of purchasing Uniform from the schools uniform shop (yourschooluniform.com) they have sent a message to say that all orders need to be in by July for them to be able to try and fulfil the order in time for school restarting in September. This is due to the lost three months preparation time and social distancing.

Tissues

Please can we ask for donations of tissues to come into School from next week.



Barnet Libraries Competition

Barnet Libraries are holding a drawing competition if your child would like to take part which closes on Sunday 12th July. They need to draw a picture of the East Finchley Archer Statue (this can be seen at East Finchley Station). Below are the instructions and also a picture of the statue

Barnet Libraries does draw the East Finchley Archer with the winner selected by Rob Biddulph and supported by Harper Collins Children's Books. Open for children 3+ and they can draw the archer in any colour. Take a pic of your drawing and email it with your contact details

to libraryevents@barnet.gov.uk and add it to our Facebook & Twitter pages. The best drawing will win a copy of Rob's brand new 'Draw with Rob' book.

