



Weekly Bulletin

W/C 12th May 2025

Whole School

Moments Matter, Attendance Counts - Our target is for children to attend school every day; a target of 100%. If you view Arbor you will be able to see your child's attendance. If it is below 96% we will start to monitor their attendance.

Please remember holiday requests will be unauthorised and penalty notices will be issued. Please refer to our new Attendance Policy on the school website which includes the new government rules.

Overall attendance for this week is: **95%**

FG	FT	1G	1T	2G	2T	3G	3T	4G	4T	5G	5T	6G	6GO	6T
100%	88%	95.6%	90.3%	99.4%	89.1%	100%	95%	100%	92.2%	97.8%	96.8%	95.8%	96.7%	90.8%

Absences - Please remember that all absences **MUST** be reported to the school each day unless otherwise agreed. Absences can be reported preferably by the Arbor portal or via the absence line or an email. This is part of our absence and safeguarding policies. Home visits will take place if we have not had any communication from parents. Please also ensure that Arbor contains at least 2 emergency numbers for your child.



Club Notices:

No Gymnastics on Friday 16th May.

Friday 16th May - School Discos - Places can be booked via **ARBOR under CLUBS section**

Y1 & 2 - 4pm-5pm

Y3 & 4 - 5:15pm-6:15pm

Y5 & 6 - 6:30pm-7:30pm

Please don't pay under FRIENDS' Tab as it doesn't reserve your child's place. **Deadline is 13th May.** The cost for a place is £5 (includes a drink and crisps)



Medicines in the school

Please remember that children should not have any medicines (other than inhalers) in their bags. Any medication in school needs to be logged and kept safely. As per our policy, we do not routinely administer medicines, but acknowledge that there may be occasions with health conditions when this may be necessary. In these circumstances administration must be in cooperation with staff and the relevant form completed. We must ensure the safety of all. Thank you for your support with this.

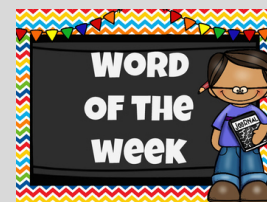
Wednesday 18th June 6.30-7.30pm - Important Online Safety Session for all parents.

Rachel Murray (Prevent Education Officer KCC) will cover general online safety messages, the rise in violent and disturbing content online and the impact this is having on young people, the risks of radicalisation online through social media & gaming, and some strategies and advice for parents to teach their children to be safer online. This session is essential for parents of children of all ages.

A link will be sent separately closer to the time.

Our suave (sophisticated) word of the week is: **venture**

Does your child understand the meaning of this word? Can they use this word in a sentence? Can they spell the suave word? How many times can they use the word throughout the week in their speech or writing?





If you'd like to keep up to date with the **Friends' Association** please feel free to follow them on their various social media groups:

<https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofGreatChartPrimarySchool>

<https://www.instagram.com/friendsofgreatchartprimary>

Next Friends' Association Meeting: Tuesday 20th May 7pm

School Vacancies - We are advertising for Cleaning and Assistant Site Manager vacancies. If you are interested, please visit our school website for more details: [Vacancies](#)

EYFS

Thursday 15th May - Forest School. Children will need a change of warm comfortable clothes and a waterproof coat as we go out in all weathers.

Thursday 5th June 3:15- 5:15pm EYFS & Y1 - Bug Hunt

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Monday 25th June - deadline for lunch choices if provided by the school for the school trip.

Your child will need a packed lunch. This can be provided **free of charge** by our catering company. Please email the school with your choice of the following: Roll - Cheese OR Ham. **Drinks are NOT provided** and your child will need a bottle of water.

Wednesday 2nd July - Educational Visit to Samphire Hoe. Payment deadline - Wednesday 14th May.

Year 2

Monday 19th May 2025 - Educational Visit to Chatham Dockyard - Full details can be found in the original letter.

Year 3

Thursday 5th June - Year 3 Roman Day

Children can come to school dressed in their Roman costumes. We will be taking part in lots of different activities, including a workshop from a lady who works for Lullingstone Roman Villa. She will be bringing in artefacts for the children to look at and learn about.

In the afternoon, we would like to invite you to join us from 1:45-2:45 in the large hall, where we will have an activity for you to do with your children. Please don't worry if you can't make it, as all of the children will be taking part regardless and no one will miss out. We are looking forward to seeing you all then.

Year 4

Boys Football Trials - Friday 6th June 3:15-4:15pm

It has been another successful season for the Great Chart football teams, both boys and girls. Looking ahead there will be trials for the 2025/26 season for current Year 4 and 5 boys. Please sign up via Arbor if your child would like to be involved by **Friday 23rd May**.

Football boots and shin pads are essential. Further details about the girls' team will follow at a later date.



Year 5

Thursday 15th May - 5 Griffing Swimming - Please ensure the children have a bag containing costume/trunks, towel and goggles. Please can we ask that earrings are removed.

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Year 6

W/B 12th May (SATS week) - Y6 are invited to come for breakfast at 8:20am Monday-Thursday and then for a celebration breakfast on Friday. Details have been sent to parents. (There is no charge for this)

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Goldwell

Riding letters to be returned by **19th May** please.

Get your home and garden summer-ready!

Play our lottery this month and you could win a £1000 B&Q Voucher (or £1,000 cash alternative)
Get your tickets before Saturday 31st May for your chance to win!

Plus a local winner EVERY SATURDAY.

£1 per ticket. For every ticket you play, 74.2% goes to our school.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/great-chart-primary-school>

