WELCOME TO YEAR 5 EAGLES AND HAWKS

September 2026

Great Bookham School

The Continual Pursuit of Excellence



MEET THE YEAR 5 TEAM

Eagles and Hawks– September 2026



Mrs Horton – Eagles Class Teacher

Mrs Blackwell– Hawks Class Teacher

Mrs Ghandi – Year 5 Teaching Assistant

Mrs Barter – Year 5 Teaching Assistant

Mr Wilson – Year 5 Teaching Assistant

Mrs Pitcher– Focus Group Teacher

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

Weekly Newsletter every Friday – email alerts via MCAS

Visit our website for calendar, newsletters and clubs

Contact us via email: info.GBS@sfet.org.uk

Urgent messages: please phone the office

Ensure your child arrives prepared each day

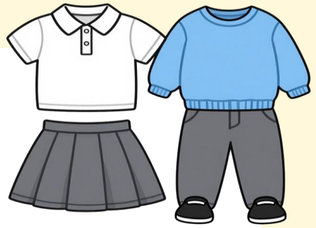
Every day a member of SLT and the infant teachers are on the gate/in the playground at drop off and pick up

Junior teachers are in the playground at pick up



UNIFORM POLICY





SUMMER

Blue checked dress

Grey shorts or trousers

White GBS logo-ed polo shirt

Blue round-necked logo-ed sweatshirt or cardigan

White socks (summer dresses); grey or black socks (shorts/trousers)

Black sensible shoes (no slip-ons or trainers)

WINTER

White GBS logo-ed polo shirt

Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers

Blue round-necked logo-ed sweatshirt or cardigan

White socks or grey tights with skirts

Grey or black socks with trousers

Black sensible shoes (no boots or trainers)

Summer uniform applies until end of October. Following the October half term, children should return in winter school uniform.



PE KIT REQUIREMENTS

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school every day.

Blue GBS logo-ed t-shirt

Blue shorts (no black Lycra or cycling shorts)

Trainers for outdoor PE

Plain dark jogging bottoms and sweatshirt for cold weather outside



MEDICAL INFORMATION

Important health and safety reminders to keep all our children safe and well at school:

Provide up-to-date inhalers and prescribed medications for storage in the school office

Notify the office of any medical issues or changes

We cannot administer any prescribed medicines without seeing the prescription label on the box.

We will always call if we want to administer Calpol or Piriton to your child.



ALLERGY AWARENESS

We are an allergy aware school and our designated allergy lead is Miss Allen.

If your child has an allergy, please:

Inform school and complete an IHCP for any allergies

Notify the office of any changes or developments to the allergies

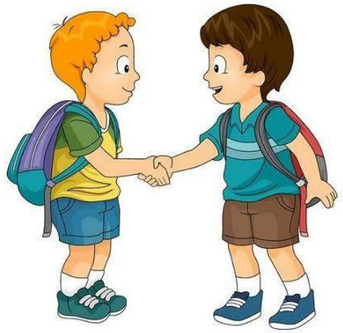
Great Bookham is a nut-free school – please check all snacks and packed lunches

BEHAVIOUR AT GBS

READY



RESPECTFUL



RESPONSIBLE



At Great Bookham School we use the 3 R's for behaviour and always try to be ready, be respectful and be responsible. Children should always be praised for demonstrating the 3 R's and may even be rewarded house points, head teacher certificates or star of the week in assembly. If mistakes are made, we always try to link behaviour back to the 3 R's to have thoughtful and corrective conversations.

YEAR 5 CLASS CHARTER

Be kind and respectful with words and actions

Put up your hand to speak

Be calm and ready to learn

Listen to others

Treat others as you want to be treated

Respect the school environment

Look after personal belongings

Have fun and keep smiling!



A TYPICAL DAY IN YEAR 5

08:35–08:45: Arrival and Morning Work

08:45: Register

09:00: English

10:20: Break

10:40: Assembly

11:00: Maths

12:00: Lunch

13:00: Foundation Subjects

15:00: Group Reading and Story

15:25: End of School Day





If you feel your child needs a snack at morning break, please ensure it is a fruit or vegetable.

HOME TIME PROCEDURES



Here is what you need to know about the end of the school day:

Children dismissed from the junior playground (some from infant playground)
Notify the office or teacher if your child is going home with a different person
Ensure your child knows their home time arrangements each day



ENGLISH CURRICULUM

In English, we focus on developing confident readers and writers across a range of exciting genres:

Poetry, play scripts & newspaper reports

Interviews, autobiography & narrative writing

Grammar and punctuation development

Spelling strategies and vocabulary building



MATHS CURRICULUM

In Year 5 maths, pupils will build on key skills and deepen their mathematical understanding across a range of topics:

Number properties and four operations

Fractions, decimals and measurement

Problem solving and algebra

Shape properties, position, direction and ratio



SCIENCE CURRICULUM

In Year 5, we explore a range of exciting science topics that build on prior knowledge and develop investigative skills such as:

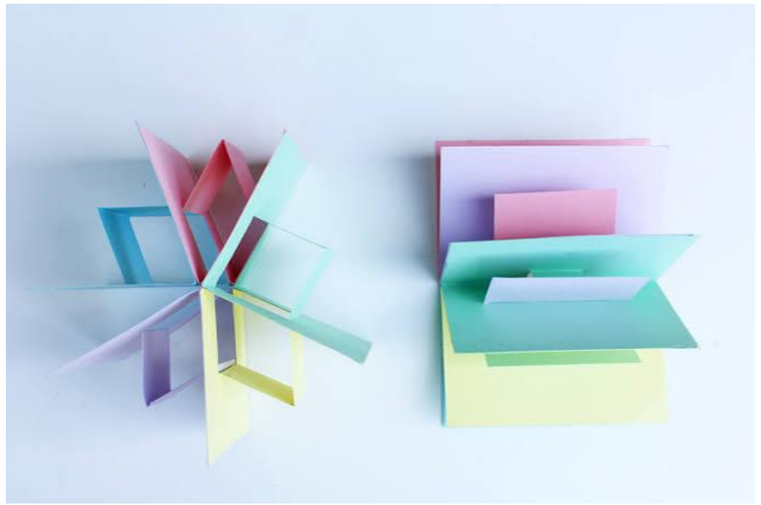
Earth and Space

Forces

Plants

Animals including humans

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

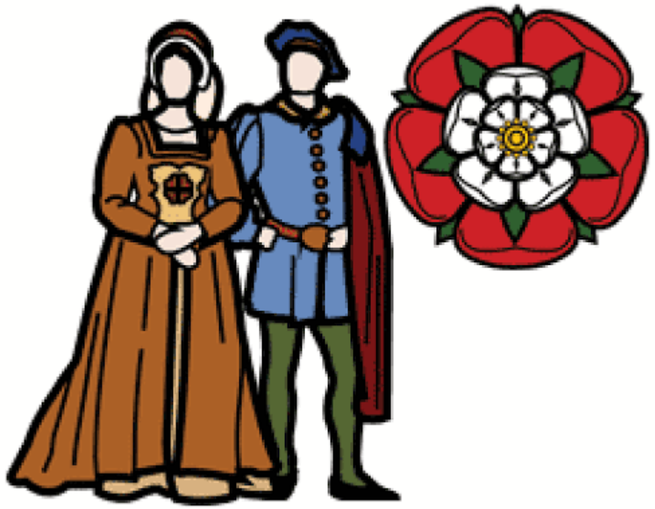


ART



Tudor Portraits
Aboriginal Art
Pop-Up Books
Cake Stands
Vegetable Pasties
Still life and Watercolours

HISTORY



GEOGRAPHY



The Tudors
Europe
Mesoamerica
Rivers and Coasts
The British Empire

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS FLIP BOOK

YEAR 5 TRIPS OVERVIEW

Fire Safety Talk – 30th September (in school)

Hampton Court Palace – 6th October

Tudor Day – 14th October (in school)

North-West Synagogue – date TBC

European Christmas Day – 15th December (in school)

Dorking Halls Singing Festival – 4th March

Hooke Court Residential – 9-11th June



PE KIT & REMINDERS

PE days: Monday and Thursday/Friday (PE kit in school every day)

School dinners menu on MCAS; you can support your child by selecting their lunch choice in advance

Stud earrings only, one set only; hair tied back; no makeup or nail varnish

Water bottle daily (water only); school provides stationery



HOME LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

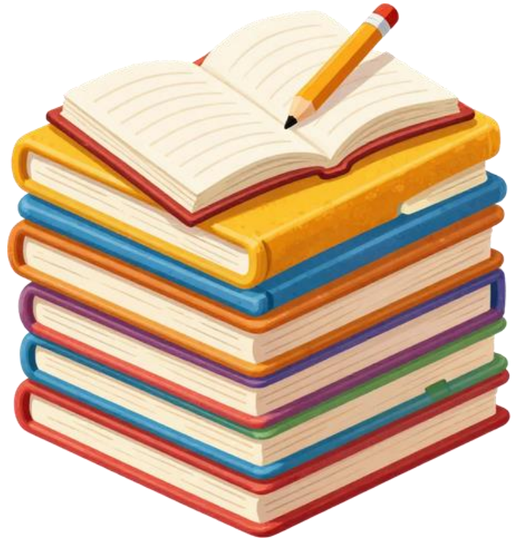
Supporting your child's learning at home is really important. Here is what we expect each week:

Reading three times a week with record and parent comments

Weekly spelling lists with morning practice

English and Maths tasks (on paper) set on Mondays, due the following Monday

Lunchtime homework club available if needed



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attending school every day is so important for your child's learning and progress:

Aim for daily attendance – please do not take holidays in term time unless approved

Report illness by 9:00am to the school office

Gates open at 8:35am and close at 8:45am – please arrive on time

Great Bookham makes school UNMISSABLE!



WRAP AROUND CARE

Breakfast Club – Opens 7:30am (last drop off 8:20am) until gates open at 8:35am

After school (puffins) Club – Open until 6pm

Please book through MCAS and ensure your account is in credit

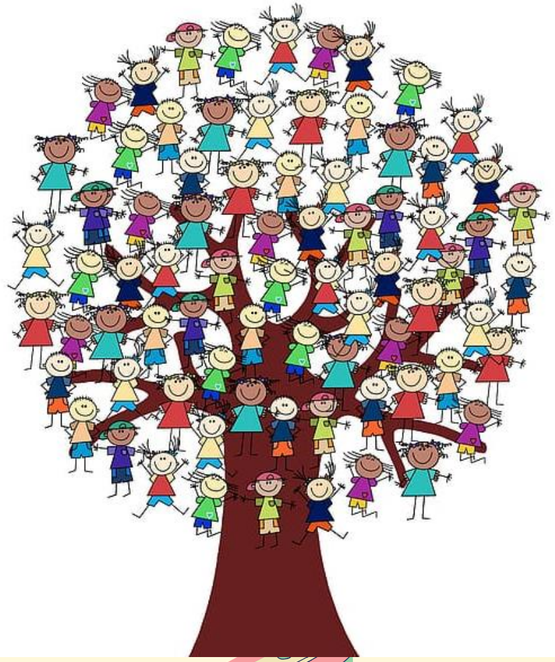
Please try and book a week in advance to help us with staffing



INCLUSION

Mrs Pitcher (Inclusion Lead/SENCO) is here to support children and families throughout the school year.

If you have any concerns about your child's learning, wellbeing, development, or additional needs, please do not hesitate to get in touch through the school office (FAO Mrs Pitcher)or speak on the gate.



Tea and Talks

Our informal Tea & Talks sessions run each term and provide an opportunity for parents to learn more about SEND, ask questions, and connect with support services.

Wednesday 23rd September 2pm- ASC Outreach Support Team (PDA)

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Homework set on Mondays
PE kit in school every day – PE days on Monday and Thursday/ Friday
Bring reading book and record daily
Fruit or veg for snack only
Water bottle (water only)
Clearly label all belongings
Coat for all weather
Pre-select lunch choices



CONTACT US

We love working in partnership with our families. Please don't hesitate to get in touch – we are always happy to help!

School Office: info.GBS@sfet.org.uk

Phone the office for urgent matters by 9:00am

Year 6 Team: contact via the school office

We aim to respond to all messages promptly

VOLUNTEERING

If you would like to volunteer to read with the children, attend school trips, lead an assembly on your career, a religious festival or cultural practice etc, please do get in touch with your year team!

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

Together, we will make this a year of success and growth.
We welcome your questions and look forward to working with you!