

Welcome to our Upper Key Stage 2 Virtual Information Guide

Mrs Pegden – UKS2 AHT



Aims of our Guide:

- Provide information about the department and our aims.
- Help you to understand what a typical day looks like for your child.
- Provide information about how you can help your child.
- Know how to contact your child's class teacher.

Years 5 and 6

- ◆ **The upper school provides plenty of excitement, alongside challenging your child to reach their full academic potential.**
- ◆ **We follow a broad curriculum that is topic linked. This helps it to be both challenging and exciting.**
- ◆ **We aim for all of the children to grow in confidence and mature in the upper school, becoming independent learners.**
- ◆ **We aim to work in partnership with parents and carers, so please do come and speak to one of us if you need to at the end of the school day, contact the school office or email your child's class teacher.**

Staff

Year 5

5A – Miss Griffin. TAs – Mrs Petzendorfer & Mr Lambert

5B – Miss Hatcher. TAs – Miss Whelan & Mrs Wilson

5C – Miss Hawtin. TAs – Miss Mason & Miss Hudson

5D – Mrs McGrath. TAs – Mrs Broad, Mrs White & Miss Brooker

Year 6

6A – Mrs Pegden. TA - Mrs Ray

6B – Miss Jenkins. TA - Miss Atkins

6C – Mr Shepherd. TAs - Mrs Scott, Mrs Wigington & Mrs Cooke

6D – Mr Millership. TA - Miss Coleman



Attendance

- ◆ **School gates are open between 8:45am and 9.05am.**
- ◆ **Registration is at 9.05am.**
School finishes at 3:15pm.
- ◆ **Absence – as a school we aim for all children to have 95% or above attendance. Please do contact our school office if your child is unwell.**
- ◆ **No authorised holidays.**
- ◆ **Year 6 SATS tests – 10th – 13th May 2021.**
- ◆ **June - year 5 assessment week 7th – 11th June 2021.**

How Can You Help?



- Please encourage your child to wear our uniform with pride. Black shoes please (no trainers.)
- Please may your child wear their PE kit to school on their PE day – Thursday year 5 and Friday year 6. Please may children wear their school jumper on this day on top of their team coloured t-shirt.
- We do recommend a piece of fruit for break time.
- Do support your child with their home learning every night – reading, spellings and times tables.

Our School Values

Our values are an important part of the everyday teaching, learning and activities that we complete in school. Do talk to your child about how they may demonstrate these values and use them whilst at school.



P.E Curriculum



- ◆ 2 hours of PE each week.
- ◆ PE kit - Team t shirt & black (dark) shorts, or plain jogging bottoms and school jumper or cardigan.
- ◆ Earrings and jewellery must be removed, alongside hair tied back please.

Communicating With Parents

Newsletters will be sent home at the start of each term.

- ◆ There will also be additional information available on the school website. Here, there is also a child zone where your child can access fun games and learning activities. www.garlingeprimary.co.uk. Additional home learning is also available here should it be needed.
- ◆ We will keep you informed of relevant dates for the diary, so please keep a note of these.
- ◆ Please do use our school communication app – WEDUC. We will keep you regularly informed of any information or up to date notices.

The Curriculum

Each year group follows the National Curriculum statutory programmes of study for English, mathematics, science, ICT, geography, history, art, music, Physical Education, Design Technology, Religious Education, PSHCE and French.

Some subjects are taught through a cross-curricular approach with history or geography as lead subjects. For example:

Terms 1 and 2

Year 5-Anglo Saxons

Year 6 – WW2

- ◆ Please do visit our school website where you will be able to see your child's class yearly curriculum plan and their curriculum termly plans, showing the exciting areas they will be learning about.

Assessment

Our assessment system helps us to assess our pupils in reading, writing, and maths. We use guidance from the local authority to track pupil progress and establish whether individual pupils are on track to meet their end of Key Stage requirements.

We will make judgements using statements linked to each year group as to whether they are:

- **Emerging**
- **Expected**
- **Exceeding**

At the end of year 6 children will be assessed to see if they are working at the national expected level. Following the key stage two SATS tests, we will provide you with your child's assessed results as well as an individual teacher assessment in writing. These are also shared with secondary schools accordingly.

Communicating with Parents

- **Department newsletters will be sent home every seasonal term.**
- **Regular school newsletters.**
- **Information shared on school website-
*www.garlingeprimary.co.uk***
- **School WEDUC messaging app.**
- **Annual pupil reports.**
- **Check for any letters/information sent home with children.**
- **Class emails – next page.**



Class Emails

Miss Griffin – 5A@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Miss Hatcher - 5B@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Miss Hawtin – 5C@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Mrs McGrath - 5D@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Mrs Pegden – 6A@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Miss Jenkins – 6B@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Mr Shepherd – 6C@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Mr Millership – 6D@garlinge.kent.sch.uk

Behaviour and Sanctions

A high standard of behaviour is expected from all pupils to ensure that all pupils are happy and able to learn effectively.

Rewards:

- **House points**
- **Class rewards**
- **Golden class book**
- **Learner of the week, Mathematician of the week, reader of the week, writer of the week and value of the week.**

Sanctions:

Positive behaviour ladders – Children aim for their name to remain on green or move up to silver and then gold.

If name is moved down to orange and then red:

- ◇ **Time out (10 minutes)**
- ◇ **Chance to settle back in class**
- ◇ **If behaviour continues ,class detention is issued during break or lunch**
- ◇ **Involvement of senior staff/ parents contacted if continues**
- ◇ **The children have the opportunity to move back up the ladder throughout the day and regulate their own choices.**

**Thank you very much for taking the time to
read our UKS2 information guide.**

**If you have any other questions do please
contact me on the class 6A email or contact
the school office on 01843 221877**

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