



# Griffin Primary School

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## GRIFFIN NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th June 2024

### Fortnightly Roundup

#### TEFAT Sings

Last week, Year 5 took part in the fantastic Elliot Sings event, where children from across the other schools in TEFAT came together to perform. Year 5 delivered vibrant live performances of "I Think I'm Gonna Like It Here" from Annie (2014) and "Follow the Yellow Brick Road" from The Wizard of Oz. Overall, the children had a delightful experience representing Griffin and sang beautifully!

#### Y3 & Y4 Concert

Earlier this week, Year 3 and 4 were invited to attend a piano concert at the World Heart Beat centre in Nine Elms. Students enjoyed an hour of piano music accompanied by an actor who told the story through music. Students thoroughly enjoyed the music and thank you to World Heart Beat for the opportunity!

#### Statutory Assessment Results for Reception, Year 1 and Year 4

In the last newsletter, I congratulated the pupils for working so hard in the statutory assessments across the school. This time, we are celebrating the results, as they begin to be returned to the school.

I am thrilled to announce that so far we have significantly improved pupil outcomes across the school, in comparison to 2023 data. As well as this, we are in-line and better than the national averages in these assessments.

This is testament to the school's aim for providing all children with the best education and dedication of the Griffin staff. We are extremely proud of these achievements and will continue our journey of continuous improvement.

Statutory Assessment	2023		2024	2024 Comparison to National*
EYFS Good Level of Development (GLD)	47%	➡	67% (+20%)	In Line
Y1 Phonics Screening Check	50%	➡	89% (+39%)	Above
Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (Full Marks)	9%	➡	30% (+21%)	Above

\* National Figures are 2023

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

*Mr Read*

### Important Dates:

#### Wednesday 3rd July

Y6 to Fulham FC  
Y4 to Polka Theatre

#### Friday 5th - Sunday 7th July

Y6 PGL residential trip

#### Tuesday 9th July

Sports Day

#### Thursday 11th July

Move Up morning

#### Friday 12th July

Sports Day Reserve  
EYFS Sports Day - 9.30-11am

#### Monday 15th July

2.30pm - Reception Graduation

#### Thursday 18th July

6pm - Y6 Production

#### Tuesday 23rd July

2.30pm - Y6 Leavers'/Graduation

#### Wednesday 24th July

End of term - Break up 2pm

#### Wednesday 4th September

Term begins for pupils

*Dates are given as a guide; always check the school website.*



We are proud members of [The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust](https://www.elliottfoundation.org/)

## Attendance

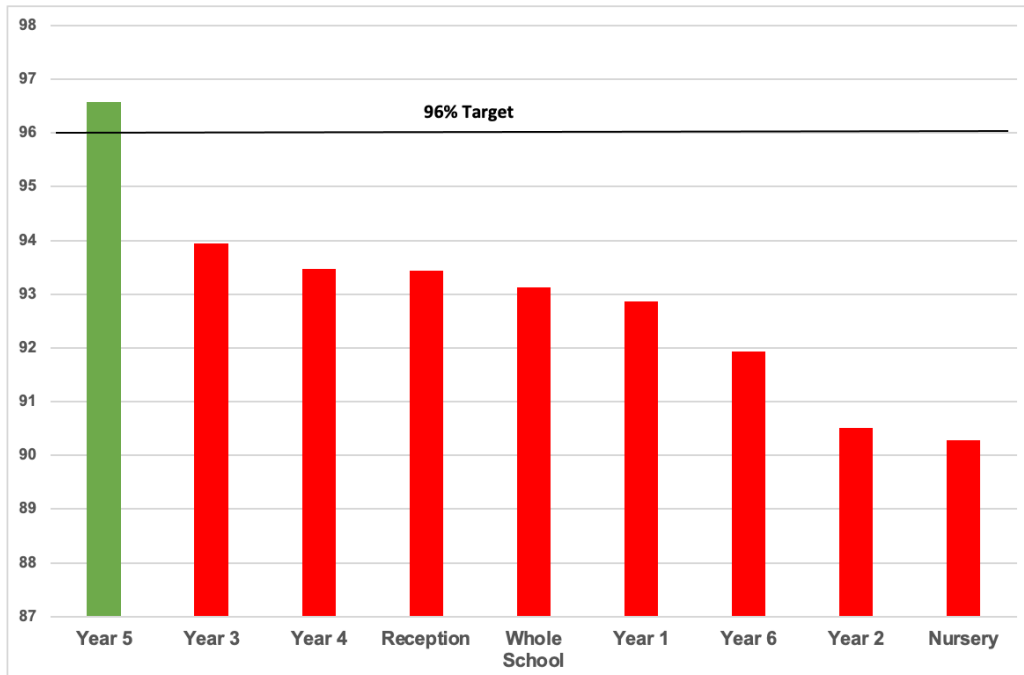
Parents - [we need your help!](#)

Our whole school attendance figure has decreased yet again to: **93.12%**. This is below our target of 96%.

Well done to Year 5, who remain above our target.

The NHS guidance [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk) is designed to support parents in their decision making about mild illness.

Parents who take their child out of school for term time holidays may face [paying a fine](#).



## Carey Gardens Speed Petition

The Carey Garden's Housing Cooperative are encouraging parents to sign the attached petition form and help maintain the safety of our community by promoting responsible driving. It's crucial that we urge all drivers to slow down in our residential area.

Our neighbourhood is home to many children, especially during certain times of the day. With your support, we can work together to prevent speeding and ensure a safer environment for everyone.

Should you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact them at: [housing@careygardens.co.uk](mailto:housing@careygardens.co.uk). Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to our community's safety.

## Curriculum Miss Casey, Deputy Head

This term, our Year 4 pupils have been learning about inspirational figures and honing their biographical writing skills. One of the key figures they focused on is Malala Yousafzai, a courageous advocate for girls' education. Malala, originally from Pakistan, survived a life-threatening attack by the Taliban at the age of 15 due to her activism. Despite this, she continued to champion the right to education for all girls, earning her the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014.

Our pupils have been deeply inspired by Malala's story. They have shown a clear understanding of the purpose of their writing and have produced excellent work. Through their biographical projects, they have not only developed their writing skills but also gained valuable insights into the impact one person can have on the world.

**SEND** Miss Cooper, SENDCo

**New video from WAAS 'How Emotions Work':** In this video the Wandsworth Autism Advisory Service gives a demonstration of how emotions work, particularly worry and anger. Check out the other videos that WAAS have already shared which are full of useful information and tips for parents/carers – and professionals.

[How emotions work](#)

**Autism family fun day:** A 2nd Voice will be holding a community Autism Fun time on Saturday 13th July 2024 from 2.30- 6pm at Tooting Leisure Centre, London SW17 0NE. This event is FREE but you will need to book a space to be able to attend. Family Fun Time booking link: [Booking Link](#)



Please see link to book summer activities for children with SEND or other vulnerabilities.

[Wandsworth Connected – HAF | Wandsworth Family Information Service](#)

[Book linking](#)

**Family Hubs Virtual Workshops  
for Parents/Carers**

**Learning Through Play**

~ Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July ~ 1.30 - 2.30pm

Join Hannah, Children's Centre Teacher, as she explores how children are doing more than 'just playing' as they learn about the world around them. We'll be sharing some fun ideas to try at home  
Aimed at parents with children under 5 yrs old



For more information and to book a place please email  
[Hannah.skaife@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:Hannah.skaife@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk)  
or call/text: 07974 586467



**Family Hubs Virtual Workshops  
for Parents/Carers**

**Toilet Training**

~ Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July ~ 1.30 - 2.30pm

Join Yvonne White, Community Nursery Nurse, as she will be sharing some information and helpful tips to support your child in their toilet training journey.



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