

the GREENROOM school



GRW & GR6

Newsletter 17th July 2020

Diary Dates

Summer school:

Wednesday 22 July

Wednesday 5 August

Exam results day:

Thursday 20 August

Leaver's lunch:

Thursday 20 August

GRW term begins:

Thursday 3 September 9:45am

GR6 term begins

Monday 7 September 9:45am

Birthdays

Happy summer birthdays to staff - Nuala, Jamie, Dana, Cal and Tom and GRW pupils - **Daisy, Ross and Torre**. Enjoy your celebrations everyone!!

Chromebook Pickups

Staff will pick up pupil Chromebooks from your homes this weekend and early next week for servicing before the new academic year.

You should have received a text message with details of your pickup date and time. If you could make sure both Chromebook and charger are ready for collection that would be greatly appreciated. Please get in touch if you haven't received a text with a pickup day.

Summer Photo Competition

School's out for summer!

This summer, why not take the opportunity to be creative and snap some pictures of



your summer holiday experience. Take five pictures and use any filters or editing software you want, the only rule is that it needs to be your own picture!

The five pictures should be under the following categories:

- Selfie with your GR Sunglasses,
- Nature
- Food
- Shadows
- Sunrise or Sunset.

Please email your five pictures to tom@thegreenroomschool.com before 11/09/20.

The winner will have their entry reproduced onto a collage canvas to be displayed in the school and a £20 Amazon voucher. Good luck!

Virtual Exhibition

Pupils have been working hard all term on various art projects and we have put together a virtual exhibition of the work they have created - click on the link and have a stroll around The Green Room Windsor's very own [art gallery](#)

GR Bike Shop

The final week of the GR Bike Shop saw a momentous occasion as Josh rode out of the shop on his newly renovated bike, Fencepanel 120. **Josh** hadn't ridden a bike in years until



a few weeks ago, but is now so keen on his new found freedom that he has borrowed the bike for the summer! His journey is what the Bike Shop is all about: providing practical skills for bike maintenance, giving ownership of previously unloved old bikes and travel independence to kids who may have limited options for moving around their area, and ultimately, reigniting a passion for two-wheeled adventure! We would like to thank all those who have donated old bikes, and we welcome any further donations of bikes or funds to purchase crucial supplies such as new cables and brake blocks. Ride safe, everyone!



Timetable Changes

When our Lower School pupils return to us in September there will be various changes to our timetable awaiting them.

Firstly, across the week, our teaching Groups are being renamed. We are saying 'goodbye' to Groups A, B & C from the first half of the week, and 'goodbye' to Groups 1, 2 and 3 on a Thursday and Friday. From September pupils will be in either **Curie**, **Newton** or **Bronte** on a Monday to Wednesday, **Spencer**, **Harriott** or **Hobart** on a Thursday, and **Brunel** or **Turing** on a Friday.

A second change is that PSHE lessons have moved from a Thursday to a Friday.

And finally, both Engineering and Gaming lessons will take place on a Friday over at our 6th Form site at the The Swan.



Sport

We would like to thank everyone, both staff and pupils for making sport such a success this year. Even throughout lockdown, pupils continued on their sporting journey as part of the virtual school and a few pupils deserve a mention here:

- Bangsy** for his regular attendance in GET MOVIN and continued improvement in weight lifting. **Bangsy** has used this time of isolation to start his journey in becoming a professional powerlifter and is also looking to build the BBU 'Battleball Union' next year, taking the sport to new heights.

- Daisy** for her activity as part

of the STRAVA sports club and completing many miles as part of the The Green Room Sports Club. **Daisy** was also one half of a deadly partnership with **Elliot** during battleball. Both becoming the cornerstone of the Green Machine during match play.

- Noah** this year made Green Room history being the only pupils to ever play for all 3 competitive teams. **Noah** spent time hopping between teams, his departure usually coinciding with a run of bad form from the team he chose to play on.

- Finchy** was given the nickname The Shadow for his striking prowess and predatory like attack whilst playing football. **Finchy** mastered the art of 'appearing out of nowhere' resulting in a devastating attack at the opposition's goal.

- Elliot** achieved the most wins during Battle Ball for the Green Machine due to his amazing space hopper riding! **Elliot's** ability to bounce his way across the court and lead his team to victory was something to behold. His status as MVP (most valued player) will carry through next year as he becomes part of GR6.

- Carly** became Benchball MVP, due to her tactical awareness and ability and will look to take the Nomads team to new heights in the next academic year.

- Lastly, to the **year 11s** that are leaving us. Thank you for your efforts. We hope you enjoyed your time as a part of the GRSport program. You are welcome back at any time and we hope that you leave us with a new drive to be active, compete and most importantly

have fun whilst playing a game you love.

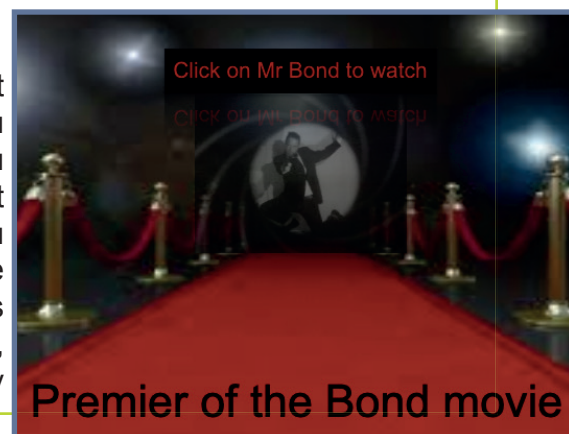
Deej says "I personally cannot wait for September, to restart such an important part of our week. Sport will look slightly different but it will be fantastic to have it back in our lives. I hope you all have a fantastic summer. Stay active and 'get movin'."



Bond Movie

Prior to lockdown the pupils had been making an opening sequence to a Bond Movie, for which we held the premier during the final circle time of the year. The pupils had the chance to design and develop costumes and props, act and develop physical theatre techniques as well as develop special effects filming and making props explode! Lockdown restricted the pupils ability to be part of editing the film, but that has made the premier more fun as it was a surprise for the pupils to see.

You can view the film in one of the schools private [YouTube channels](#)



A Big Thank You

The end of year is upon us and with it, we wanted to say a big thank you to all of the pupils. As we have all read/heard/seen, these have been unprecedented times and you have all coped better than we could have asked with the situation. Despite there being some difficult moments

in the last few months, the majority of them have been delightful. Both the virtual and physical schools have seen a commitment to learning from our student body. We wish you, the pupils, all the best over the next six weeks and look forward to welcoming you back in September.



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GRK

Humanities

In Humanities we have been rounding off our knowledge with Kahoot quizzes and some fun games to see how much has been remembered over this last term.

Final Lessons

Owen is moving to GR6 next year but still thoroughly enjoyed his final GRK science lesson where everyone has been learning about the surface tension of water. Pupils were seeing how many drops of water you can get on a penny (29 so far!) and how soap can break the surface tension of water!



Sports Day

We were unable to hold the Green Room Games this year as it is usually part of GR Fest, so instead, the pupils participated in a socially distanced sports



day. There were lots of different activities for the pupils to try and opportunities to earn points for their teams. Activities included welly toss, shuttlecock throw and of course old favourites such as the egg and spoon and sack races. The pupils put in a great amount of effort, so well done to all of them! We would like to thank Lisa for the great food as always, Scott for cooking the BBQ despite the drizzle and Ally for lending us the BBQ to do it all, thanks again guys!

Emily Cooking

Emily baked some delicious chocolate flapjacks with Danielle during their last baking 1:1. They have both enjoyed cooking together online and the recipe for these were from www.bakingwithgranny.co.uk/recipe/flapjack/

Futures

This week, the Government announced a £100m+ scheme

to create new Traineeships to help get more young people into work. Pupils can find more about this exciting announcement in our Futures Classroom.

GRK Summer Holiday Birthdays

Happy Summer Birthdays to staff and pupils, we wish many happy returns to pupils **Mason, Joe, Owen, Warren, Anthoney** and **Ronnie** and staff Elizabeth and Lisa. Have a wonderful time!



Painting By Emily

Lise commissioned **Emily** to paint a portrait of her cat, Emily rose to the challenge wonderfully well and produced a beautiful piece of artwork. Lise is thrilled and the painting will take pride of place in her office. Thank you so much **Emily**!

GRK Homefest 2020

It was wonderful to welcome all pupils to our end of term final circle time. This had a festival theme and pupils enjoyed receiving a personalised goodie bag complete with festival t-shirts lanyards, wristbands, snacks, a card and personal gift to entertain them through the summer. It was lovely (but sad!) to say goodbye to **Owen** and **Lilly**, to congratulate pupils on their achievements this term, wish staff member Lauren luck as she goes off to have her baby and draw a close to what has been a very unusual term. And what better way to do it... online! (Certificates for awards are in the post)

Have a fantastic summer and we look forward to seeing you all in September!

New Pupils

A big well done to **Oliver** and **Callum** who have joined GRK at a very unusual time and have made an excellent start. We look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Alumni

It has been lovely to catch up with some more ex-GRK pupils recently. This included Luke who has his sights set on a career in Animal Welfare. We would all like to wish him the best of luck with this.

Physical And Virtual School

The last week of term was a busy one, both online and in school. Personalised 1:1 lessons have continued online as well as cooking, humanities, Lego, life skills, games, Play Doh and much more. Pupils in school have continued with their maths, numeracy, english and literacy as well as decorating their T-shirts ahead of our End of Term Final circle time.

For up to date news and events visit our social media channels and our blog thegreenroomschool.com/blog

GRK Term Begins Thursday 3rd September