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**Information September 2019**

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a lovely summer and are excited as we all are to be back in school for another amazing year. Please find in this letter information for Meet the Teacher, Year 6 Secondary information, Flu immunisation, uniform and dates for your diary this term.

Don’t forget our website has lots of information and we have a Facebook Group, Garden City Academy, where you can ask questions and get in contact with our community. When asking to join the group please fill in the questions or we may not be able to approve your request.

Looking forward to anpother great year at GCA!

Mrs Stevenson

Headteacher

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**Uniform**

Please remember:

* Only stud earrings should be worn and no other jewellery unless for religious purposes
* All school shoes should be completely black in colour, no white soles
* PE kits should be separate to your child’s uniform
* Hair colour should be natural and no radical styles (e.g. shaved ticks)

If you are unsure about our child’s uniform please speak to you class teacher or pop into the office and we will be able to help.

Our website has full details about uniform and it can be ordered through <https://myclothing.com/pupil-uniform/10475.school>

<https://www.gardencityacademy.co.uk/parents/school-uniform>

**Year 6 Parents** – Secondary school applications are now open and should be made online by 31st October 2019: <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-and-upper-schools/secondary-and-upper-school-places.aspx>

**Flu Immunisations**

The school nursing team will be carrying out these in November for children in Year 1-6. You **must** complete the permission paperwork to give consent for your child to have this. More details to follow. They will also be attending Meet the Teacher afternoons to share information and ask any questions you may have.

**Meet the Teacher**

Our first parents evening of the school year are our Meet the Teacher afternoons. These will run from 3:30pm-5pm in the top hall on the following dates

* Monday 16th September
* Tuesday 17th September
* Thursday 19th September

Please book a ten minute appointment with your child’s class teacher when collecting or call the office who will ask the teacher to return your call.



**Diary Dates – Autumn Term 2019**

***Monday 2nd September 2019 – INSET DAY (school closed to children)***

Tuesday 3rd September 2019 – Children return to school

Tuesday 10th September 2019 – Years 1-6 Trip, Southend

Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th September – Meet the Teacher

***Friday 27th September 2019 – INSET DAY (school closed to children)***

Tuesday 22nd October 2019 – Year 3 Trip, Anglesey Abbey

Wednesday 23rd October 2019 – PTA Halloween Disco

Thursday 24th October 2019 – 10am Celebration Assembly (invited parents only)

Friday 25th October 2019 - Last day of Half Term

**Monday 28th October 2019 to Friday 1st November 2019 – Half Term**

Monday 4th November 2019 – Children return to school

Tuesday 5th November 2019 – Year 1 Trip, Hitchin Museum

***Monday 2nd December 2019 – OCCASSIONAL DAY (school closed to children)***

Wednesday 4th December 2019 – Year 6 Trip, Duxford

Friday 6th December 2019 – 3:15pm PTA Christmas Fair

Wednesday 11th December 2019 – In school pantomime (N,R, KS1 AM/KS2 PM)

Wednesday 18th December 2019 – 10am Reception and KS1 Christmas Concert

Wednesday 18th December 2019 – 2pm KS2 Christmas Concert

Thursday 19th December 2019 – 10am Celebration Assembly (invited parents only)

Friday 20th December 2019 – Last Day of Term (non-uniform day, 1:15pm or 3:15pm collection)

**Monday 23rd December 2019 to Friday 3rd January 2020 – Christmas Holidays**

***Monday 6th January 2020*** ***– INSET DAY (school closed to children)***

Tuesday 7th January 2020 – Children return to school