

Granard Primary School and Cedar Base

"Growing together; Achieving together"

NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is lovely to see the children back in school for the new school year, looking so smart in their new uniforms. Please make sure that ALL items of clothing, including coats and footwear are named as it is very easy for things to be mislaid. Thank you.

Over the summer holidays, the internal aspects of our building works were completed. This means that all our Base classes are able to access the parts of the school allocated to them and the mainstream classes now have access to more breakout spaces in the other parts of the building. We are expecting some outdoor renovation works to start this term to create a secure play space for the Base children near the Cedar building.

We had a really positive year last year with regards to our academic achievements and we surpassed national averages for nearly all areas:

- **93% of our Year 1 children passed the phonics screening test** (national average was 80% in 2025)
- **79% of our Year 4 children scored full marks (25/25) in the multiplication times table check** (national average was 37% in 2025)
- **69% of our Year 6 children achieved the 'Expected' level in Reading, Writing and Maths** (national average is 63%)
- **73% of our Year 6 children achieved the 'Expected' level in Reading** (national average is 75%) and **20% achieved 'Greater Depth' in Reading** (national average is 34%)
- **78% of our Year 6 children achieved the 'Expected' level in Writing** (national average is 73%) and **16% achieved 'Greater Depth' in Writing** (national average is 13%)
- **76% of our Year 6 children achieved the 'Expected' level in Grammar, punctuation and spelling** (national average is 73%) and **36% achieved 'Greater Depth' in GPS** (national average is 30%)

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90% of our Year 6 children achieved the 'Expected' level in Maths (national average is 75%) and **33% achieved 'Greater Depth' in Maths** (national average is 26%)

We are incredibly proud of all of our children and their achievements. This school year has started really positively and we look forward to working with you to support your children to make excellent progress again this year.

SAFEGUARDING SEGMENT



Allergy Procedures



The safety and wellbeing of all children is our highest priority. We have reviewed and updated our allergy procedures to strengthen our ability to prevent allergic reactions and ensure that staff can respond quickly and effectively, should an emergency occur. These changes reflect the increasing number of children with food allergies and severe allergic conditions attending schools nationally, as well as the importance of maintaining accurate medical information and ensuring that appropriate medication is always available when needed.

The updated procedures will help us to:

- Ensure that all allergy and medical information is accurate and up to date.
- Reduce the risk of accidental exposure to allergens.
- Improve communication between home and school regarding children's medical needs.
- Ensure that staff have the information and resources needed to respond appropriately in an emergency.
- Create a safer environment for all children, particularly those with life-threatening allergies.

We are asking all parents and carers to support us by updating medical information, providing any required medication, and following the school's allergy procedures:

Actions for Parents

1. Inform the school immediately of any allergies

- Provide full details of your child's diagnosed allergies, triggers, symptoms and required treatment.
- Notify the school of any changes to your child's medical needs.

2. Complete and return all medical forms

- Update allergy and medical information forms by the requested deadline.
- Ensure emergency contact details are accurate and up to date.

3. Provide prescribed medication

- Supply any prescribed medication, such as adrenaline auto-injectors (**EpiPens**) or antihistamines, where required.
- Check that medication is clearly labelled and in date.

4. Work with the school to create or review an allergy care plan

- Meet with school staff if requested.
- Ensure individual healthcare plans are reviewed regularly.

5. Support the school's food-safety measures

- Follow any restrictions on food brought into school **e.g. no nuts.**
- Avoid sending foods that may pose a risk to children with severe allergies, where requested.

6. Teach children about allergy safety

- Remind children not to share food, drinks or utensils.
- Encourage good handwashing practices.

7. Inform activity leaders of additional requirements

- Ensure allergy information is provided for trips, clubs, and special events.

Working together will help us protect children with allergies and ensure that they can participate safely in all aspects of school life.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER

Monday 14 th	a.m. 8.50 a.m.	Selected Nursery children start SEN Nursery start Year 5/6 Coffee morning and secondary transfer meeting Clubs start
Tuesday 15 th		Selected Nursery children start
Wednesday 16 th		Selected Nursery children start
Tuesday 22 nd	8.50 a.m.	Phonics/Early Reading workshop for Reception parents – KS1 Hall/classroom
Wednesday 23 rd	9.15 a.m. 10 – 11.30 a.m.	Open morning Base parents – Beyond the Curriculum workshop
Thursday 24 th		Wandsworth test for Year 6
Friday 25 th		Wandsworth test for Year 6
Saturday 26 th		Wandsworth test for Year 6
Monday 28 th		Wandsworth test for Year 6
Wednesday 30 th	8.50 a.m.	Phonics/Early Reading workshop for Year 1 parents – KS1 Hall

OCTOBER

Tuesday 6 th		Year 6 TFL workshop
Monday 12 th		London Fire Brigade in
Tuesday 20 th	9.15 a.m.	Open Morning
Wednesday 21 st		Year 5 Loudmouth workshop
Thursday 22 nd	1.15 p.m. 1.30 p.m.	Base closes Mainstream school closes
Friday 23 rd		INSET day – school closed

3M MURPHY

3M enjoyed creating their own self-portraits on the first day back to school!

We split our portraits in half, with one realistic side and one creative side which displays our hobbies and interests.

They turned out to be amazing! **Well done 3M.**

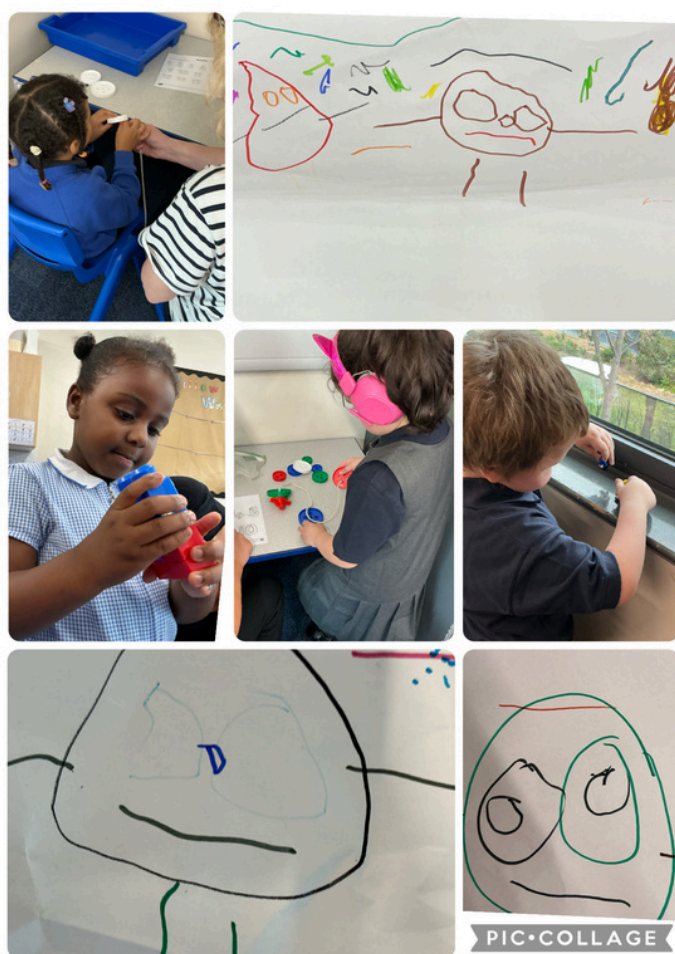


WILLOW CLASS

Willow Class have had a great start to the year!

We have been drawing our faces and exploring our new environment.

We are making friends and having fun. **Well done Willow Class!**



OAK CLASS

It was lovely to see the children in Oak Class after the holidays and they have all made a lovely transition into their new class.

They explored their new classroom and participated in all the activities.



RECEPTION ROSEN

Reception have had a great first week!

They have enjoyed making new friends, exploring the classroom environment and playing on the 'big playground'!

Well done, Reception, keep up the hard work!



SCHOOL UNIFORM



Please remember that school uniforms **must** be purchased from the designated uniform supplier, **Stitch Design**.

You can place your orders for delivery to the school, where they will be prepared for collection.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform to school each day:

- Granard Royal blue sweatshirt (navy in Year 6) or cardigan
- Granard white polo shirt
- Grey plain skirt or pinafore dress or blue/white checked dress/playsuit (Summer option)
- Grey school trousers (no jogging bottoms or jeans)
- Black shoes (no heels or boots – plain black trainers may be worn)
- Black, grey or white socks
- Black, grey or blue tights
- Headscarves (if worn) must be plain dark blue or black
- Granard Jacket (not compulsory)
- Book Bag (for Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2)
- Rucksack (for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)

P.E Kit

- Granard white t-shirt
- Black shorts or leggings
- Trainers
- Black or Royal blue jogging bottoms (with no branding)
- P.E Bag

Swimming Kit

- Towel
- Plain, black or navy, tightly fitted trunks or one-piece costume
- Swimming cap

If children have forgotten their swimming kit, they will be expected to use a spare kit supplied by the school.

Please make sure that all items of school uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name, not with sibling names. Clothing will be regularly checked for names.

SECONDARY TRANSFER

Year 6 parents can now apply for a secondary school place for entry in **September 2027**.

For application information and to make an application follow this link: [Apply for a secondary school place](#)

Alternatively you can download and send a [paper application form](#). Some schools will require you to submit a [supplementary application form](#).

Your application must be submitted by **31 October 2026**.



Ursuline High School

Wimbledon

Crescent Road, SW20 8HA

www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk

We welcome parents, carers, and students seeking Year 7 entry in 2027 to our voluntary-aided, comprehensive Roman Catholic high school for girls.

Open Evening

Wednesday 23rd September

For Year 5 (2028 entry) / Year 6 students (2027 entry) and parents/carers only. Ticketed Entry.

Including; Headteacher Talk and a fixed route guided school tour.

Headteacher talk at;

6.15pm 6.45pm 7.15pm 7.45pm

Open Mornings

Monday 28th September – Friday 2nd October

For Year 6 students (2027 entry) and parents/carers only. Ticketed Entry.

Including; Headteacher Talk and a fixed route guided school tour.

9.00am OR 11.00am slots available

Looking at secondary school options for your daughter?

Did you know..

Research* finds girls who attend all-girls schools get better exam results than girls with similar records and backgrounds at mixed schools – and outdo boys at all-boys schools.

*FFT Education Datalab, May 2024

Students of other faiths and non-faith are welcomed and secure places.

Find out more... www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk

Limited availability!



Ticketed Entry Only

Open Events 2026

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BOOK FROM: 8th July - 16th Sept!



PLEASE ONLY SIGN UP TO ONE EVENT! NO TICKET - NO ENTRY!



Saint Cecilia's
Church of England School

Saint Cecilia's School Open Events - Book Now!

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2027, Saint Cecilia's Church of England School invites you to an open event. Click on the links below to book tickets.

Dates:

Thursday 17th September 5 – 8.30pm

Tuesday 22nd September 9am – noon

Tuesday 6th October 9am – noon

In addition, we are hosting a special introductory talk for all those wanting to apply for a Foundation (faith-based) place on:
Wednesday 7th October 6 – 7pm

To read our prospectuses and for all admissions information, [visit our website](#), or scan the QR code.



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Rosebery School Open Mornings 2026

This year's Open Mornings will take place on:

**Friday 2 October
Tuesday 6 October
Friday 9 October**

Welcome Talk at 9.15am

Tours to follow from 9.40am.

Please visit our website to access our
online booking form for Welcome Talks.

There is **no need to book** if you wish to **tour the
school without attending a talk.**

Parking **will not** be available on site; please **DO NOT**
expect to be able to park in any of the roads near the
school. Please travel by public transport and/or walk
the last part of your journey - parking restrictions
apply in all local roads.



South London Children and
Young People's Community
Immunisation Service

Children with underlying health conditions are more at risk from flu

Make sure your child has their flu vaccine early this year if they suffer with any of the following:

- Spleen problems
- Neurological conditions
- Heart conditions
- Kidney or liver disease
- Diabetes
- Long term lung conditions (including asthma)
- Weakened immune systems due to disease or treatment



Scan the QR code to book an appointment at one of our community clinics.

Thursday 10 September
15:00 – 18:00

St John's Therapy Centre, SW11 1SW

Wednesday 16 September
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Endlesham Hall, SW12 8JL



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PUTNEY
MUSIC
SCHOOL

We are a vibrant and welcoming music school that specialises in high-quality music teaching for early years and primary aged children.

With a range of programs, including our innovative **Keynotes Group Piano lessons**, we are also home to one of the most exciting youth choirs in the country. We also offer 1:1 tuition in piano, singing, violin, clarinet, saxophone, and more.

The school nurtures young talent in a fun and supportive environment with termly concerts, practice challenges and musical parties alongside traditional ABRSM exams (where we maintain our 100% pass rate with 70% of our students gaining merit or distinction.)

Our highly qualified staff are all working musicians. Our teachers trained at institutions such as the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music and bring their expertise and passion to every lesson.

With an innovative approach and a supportive, creative environment, we aim to inspire a lifelong love of music while fostering creativity, building confidence and developing musical skills in every child.



"The best music school in the area."

Helen, Maya's Mum



Visit www.putneymusic.co.uk to book a 3 week trial:





PUTNEY YOUTH CHOIR

Putney Youth Choir is a 40 strong group of young singers aged 4-16. We work on our singing technique, learn about music theory, play games and work towards concerts, performances and an annual musical. Many members have been accepted to the GB National Youth Choir, Royal Opera House Children's Chorus, The London Oratory School, Sylvia Young Theatre School, as well as Westminster School, St George's Windsor, and St Paul's School as choristers.

We have a junior choir (4-6) and a senior choir (6-16.) Rehearsals take place on Mondays during term time at Granard School, Cortis Road, Putney, SW15 6XA

Does your child love to sing?



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RESERVE YOUR PLACE TODAY!!

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