



Great Chart Primary School Newsletter for Parents and Pupils July 2026



MESSAGE FROM MRS PANG, HEADTEACHER

As we approach the summer holidays, I hope you're all looking forward to some well-deserved family time and exciting adventures together.

It's been another fantastic year at Great Chart Primary School, and I wanted to take a moment to celebrate our achievements and share some important updates with you.

This time of year is always bittersweet as we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 class. Many of these pupils have been part of our school family since Foundation Stage, and watching them grow into confident, capable young people has been a privilege. Their recent PGL residential was a perfect showcase of just how far they've come. They demonstrated remarkable resilience, independence, communication and teamwork – qualities that will serve them brilliantly as they move on to secondary school. I couldn't have been prouder of them. Thank you to Mrs Thomas and all the staff who gave up their time to make this residential such a memorable experience.

While it's sad to say goodbye, I feel immense pride knowing the significant role Great Chart Primary School has played in shaping these young people. They truly embody our school values, and we wish them every success in their exciting next chapter.

We'll be saying goodbye to two valued members of our teaching team this year. Miss Fillmore and Mrs Davies have both been exceptional teachers who have made a real difference to our pupils' learning and development. They'll be greatly missed, and we wish them all the very best for their future endeavours.

Looking ahead to September, we're delighted to welcome Miss Jeffree as our new EYFS teacher and Mrs Kerslake as our new Year 3 teacher. Both bring enthusiasm and passion to our team, and we're excited about the contributions they'll make to our school community.

Thank you to our Friends' Association, your dedication and creativity have been outstanding this year. The events you've organised have not only raised valuable funds but have also brought our community together in wonderful ways. We're looking forward to more exciting initiatives next year – your continued support makes such a difference to our children's experiences.

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To all our parents and carers, thank you for your partnership and support throughout the year. Your engagement with your children's learning and with school life makes Great Chart the special place it is.

To our entire school team, a heartfelt thank you to our governors, teachers, teaching assistants, site managers, office staff, volunteers, midday supervisors, kitchen staff and cleaners. Your hard work, dedication and care for our pupils is what makes our school thrive.

We're already excited about welcoming everyone back on Wednesday 2nd September for the start of another brilliant school year. There's lots to look forward to, and we'll be in touch before the end of the holidays with key dates and information for the autumn term.

In the meantime, have a wonderful summer break. Whether you're travelling, exploring locally, or simply enjoying time together at home, I hope you all create some lovely memories.

And so goodbye.....

6 Griffin

Zakaree	Holly	Kenny
Jacob	Minnie	Fegor
Milania	Oliver	Prosper
Daniel	Bobby	Alesha
Mia	Georgie	Olyvia
Benjamin	Jay	Shamika
Sunny	William	Teddy
Kareem	Melina	Ariella
Harry	Navya	Frankie-
Carter	Eloghosa	Oscar
Charlotte		



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Class 6 Griffin

6 Toke



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Lilly-Rose	Elsbeth	Elijah
Phoebe	Makayla	Charlie Z
Laurel	Zoya	Jack
Reggie	Noah	Theo H
Alexandra	Charlie W	Lila
Zaccheus	Brooklyn	Ella
Jake	Jacob	Theo M
Lois	Heidi	Anjalikrishna
Frank	Rian	Rayan
Tanvi	Poppy	Sofia

*To Great Chart's stars, now moving on,
Your primary school days are almost gone.
You've learned, you've laughed, you've shown
your spark—*

You're ready now to leave your mark.

*New journeys wait, so go, be bold—
Take every dream and watch it unfold.
We're proud of all you've come to be—
Off you go, Year 6, and make history!*





Our musical production 'Grossbusters' was our Year 6 leavers' show. We were introduced to it right at the end of Term 5, had auditions and chose our characters so we had some time to begin practising. At the start of Term 6 was when we started making progress. Each day, we sang songs, went through the script and our teachers gave us tips. At first glance, we thought we wouldn't get to where we expected to be. There was a lot of confusion and chatter in between. Around three weeks later, we added props to the show. At the time, everyone had come off their scripts and had memorized their lines. We were given specific props, which added a bit more commotion. It took us about two weeks to get used to it. Right before the show, we did a costume rehearsal. Not everyone had their costume and not everyone was there, but we seemed to manage. With that, it was the fifth week and we were running shows. Everyone had hope but worry that something would happen to ruin the show. Luckily, we all thrived and expressed their true selves in those three days of performing. We are all proud of ourselves and our teachers tell us they are extremely proud of us too!

By Ariella - aka 'Nibs'.

Y6 PGL RESIDENTIAL

Our Unforgettable Weekend Adventure

Upon arriving, we jumped straight into **archery and zip-lining**. At archery, we learned strict safety rules — like staying out of the danger zone — before competing in pairs for the highest score. Zip-lining was an absolute blast! After getting harnessed up and climbing to the top platform in trios, we zoomed across the line, unclipped, and ran back to do it all over again.

After a delicious dinner, we split into five groups for an evening of fun team challenges:

- **Hit the Can:** Knocking a can off its stand with a frisbee for 5 points.
- **Beanbag Toss:** Aiming beanbags into ramp holes to score points.
- **Tower Building:** Constructing the tallest freestanding tower using mechanical sets, which had to balance for 10 seconds.

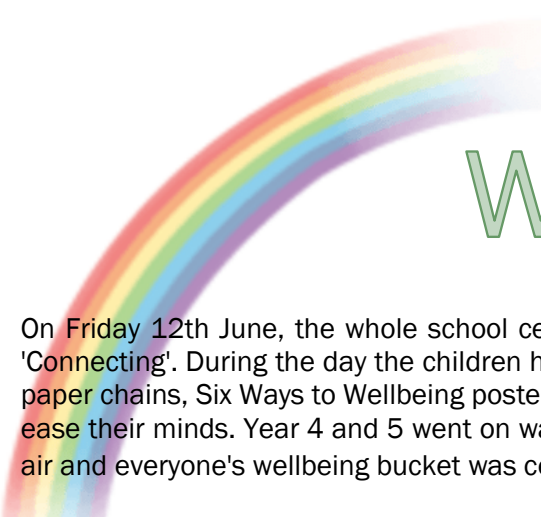
Raft building was another fantastic highlight. After assembling our rafts, we launched them onto the lake. The current drifted us off course, forcing us into the water to swim to the edge, where we used our oars to help each other climb up the slippery rocks. We capped off the night with a brilliant **silent disco**, singing along to our favorite tracks on wireless headphones.

On our final day, we played an epic game of **outdoor laser tag**. Divided into Red and Blue teams, we battled inside a maze-like arena using guns that could switch modes between shotgun, minigun, and medic.

Overall, it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Sixty of us spent the weekend conquering fears and trying enchanting new things. Future Year 6s, get ready for the trip of a lifetime!

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Wellbeing

On Friday 12th June, the whole school celebrated our final Wellbeing day of the year. The theme was 'Connecting'. During the day the children had fun making dens, 3D oceans, 3D pirate islands, friendship paper chains, Six Ways to Wellbeing posters and Year 6 researched their forthcoming school websites to ease their minds. Year 4 and 5 went on walks which the children loved. There was a definite buzz in the air and everyone's wellbeing bucket was certainly full by the end of the day.



Music Tutors

Guitar lessons starting in September

Places are available from September for beginner guitar lessons, for students who want to learn in groups or individually. Students who have done ukulele lessons with Simon in the past have the option to continue next year.

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Family Liason Officer

If you need support during the long summer break, please drop Nicky an email and she will respond when she can.

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Prize Giving

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates in our Prize Giving Ceremonies. Keep up the great work!





Diary Dates

Please also refer to the e-bulletin

Tuesday 1st Sept—Staff Development Day—School closed to children

Wednesday 2nd Sept —Term 1 Starts—Great Chart and Goldwell

Wednesday 2nd Sept—Wellbeing day 1

Thursday 10th Sept— Kent Test

Thursday 17th Sept—Year 6 Trip to Dover Castle

Thursday 17th Sept—Adult Family Education Story and Craft Sessions

Tuesday 22nd Sept 7pm —Friends' Association Meeting

Wednesday 23rd Sept—Individual and Sibling School Photos

Thursday 24th Sept—Year 5 French Cafe

Wednesday 30th Sept—Adult Family Education Strategies to Support your ADHD Child

Thursday 1st Oct—Year 4 Trip to Wildwood

W/C 5th Oct—Year 4 Bikeability

Thursday 8th Oct—Adult Family Education Spectacular Science for Y3 –5

Friday 9th Oct—Friends' Association Autumn Disco

Friday 9th Oct—Wellbeing Day 2

Tuesday 20th Oct 7pm —Friends' Association Meeting

Friday 23rd Oct—Last Day of Term (Great Chart and Goldwell)

Monday 26th—Friday 30th Oct—Half Term

Monday 2nd Nov—Staff Development Day—School closed to children

Tuesday 3rd Nov—Term 2 Starts—Great Chart and Goldwell

Wednesday 4th Nov—Flu Vaccinations—All Years

Wednesday 4th Nov—KS2 Consultations

Thursday 5th Nov—EYFS/KS1 Consultations

Friday 6th Nov—Friends' Association Fireworks Night

Wednesday 11th Nov—EYFS/KS1 Consultations

Thursday 12th Nov—KS2 Consultations

Tuesday 17th Nov 7pm —Friends' Association Meeting

Thursday 26th Nov 3:30—5pm —New Parent Tours

Wednesday 2nd Dec—3:30—5pm—New Parent Tours

Friday 4th December—Friends' Association Movie Night

W/C Monday 7th December—EYFS/KS1 Concerts

Tuesday 8th December 7pm—Friends' Association Meeting

Monday 14th December—KS2 Carol Concert

Wednesday 16th December—Christmas Lunch

Thursday 17th December—Pantomime—Cinderella

Friday December 18th— Last Day of Term (Great Chart & Goldwell)