



GEMS Twickenham Primary Academy Newsletter

Principal: Mr. John Smith

Summer Term Term: Friday 24th May 2019



Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a wonderful week, and are looking forward to the half term ahead. We have had a very busy but brilliant half term at GEMS Twickenham Primary Academy, and next term we will begin to think about the new academic year, and getting the school ready for a sharp start in September 2019. The teacher recruitment is now complete and I will be writing to parents about year groups, classes and teachers the second week into the new term.

Parents Evening: Our online parents evening system is now open for bookings for the 11th and 13th June 2019. I am very much looking forward to seeing you there.

Ofsted Update: As you may be aware, Ofsted have published a number of proposed changes to their inspection framework. As a result, we would like to offer you insight into what these changes are and how they might impact your child.

The proposed changes are:

1. 'Good' schools will be inspected over 2 days instead of 1 (unless the role is below 150 pupils)
2. Ofsted may be required to give as little as 2.5 hours notice of an inspection.
3. Ofsted will no longer use the school's internal data to assess quality of teaching.
4. Ofsted will judge **behaviour and attitudes** and **personal development** separately in their final report.
5. Ofsted will introduce a new **quality of education** judgement in their final report.

While many of these changes are unlikely to impact your child, we would like to offer insight into changes 4 and 5 and explain what they mean in detail:

- Ofsted will now judge the behaviour and attitudes of our students distinctly from our welfare and personal development provisions. We feel this is a welcome change and we hope this will allow for clear, actionable feedback to best promote the wellbeing and resilience for all children at our school while directly addressing any wider issues of behaviour.
- Ofsted will use less exam data (SATS) to judge the school's overall performance and instead focus upon the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom. We hope that these changes will mean that our teachers can focus on delivering a broad, rich and engaging curriculum

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding these changes as I will be happy to discuss any questions, concerns or queries you may have.

House Points: This house point treat will be a visit from the Ice Cream Van

House	Points
Parks	698
Gandhi	695
Pankhurst	668
Shackleton	672

Attendance:

In line with DFE guidance, that the school does not authorise any holiday. Thank you. All holiday is coded as an unauthorised absence on the school's register.

Year Group	Target (97%)
Reception	96.9%
Year 1	97.2%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	97.4%
Whole School	97%

Key Dates:

Wednesday 5 th June	Reception PANTS workshop
Tuesday 6 th June from 08:30 am	Parent Drop Off
Thursday 6 th June	Class Photos – Full and correct summer uniform please
Thursday 6 th June	Summer Book Fair Begins
Friday 7 th June	Family day
W/C 10 th June	Phonics Screening Check
Tuesday 11 th and Thursday 13 th June	Final Parents evening for the Academic Year

Principal's Question:

For a housepoint on Monday, please write down the answer to 'what did you enjoy most about Art week?' Please hand in your answer to your classroom teacher.

Twitter:

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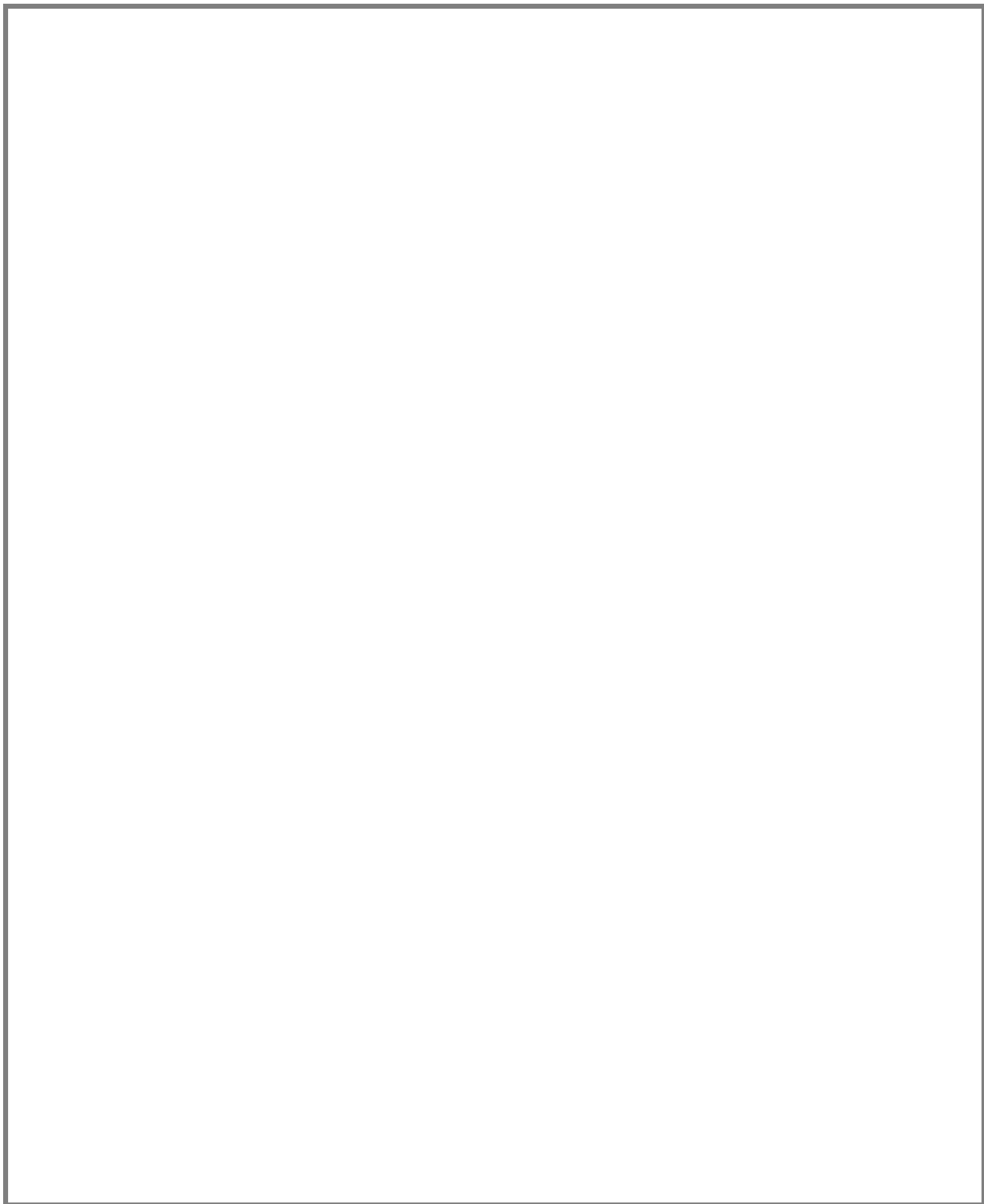
Have a lovely half term



Mr John Smith

Principal

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