



GEMS Twickenham Primary Academy Newsletter

Principal: Mr. John Smith

Spring Term: Friday 29th March 2019



Dear Parents,

I hope that you have all had a wonderful week, and that you are looking forward to the weekend ahead. We've had another busy week at Twickenham Primary Academy which started with an excellent visit from Matthew Hune who brought along his Planetarium to school so the Year 3 children could receive a lesson about planets, space and stars. The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit and really enjoyed exploring a journey through space; finding out about the different constellations and their meaning. We very much look forward to Matthew returning in the future.

Next week, we will begin with a whole school workshop from 'Barry the Bee Keeper' who is coming into the school to talk to the children about bees and bee keeping.

Year 2 SATS Briefing:

Wednesday 3rd April at 6:30 pm will be the SATS briefing for all Year Two parents. We really do encourage you to come along to this meeting to find out how the SATS are administered as well as to ask any questions or resolve any worries that you may have. Just to emphasise, that teacher assessments supercede SATS performance in Key Stage One.

Easter School Reports:

Your child's report for Easter will be sent home on Wednesday 3rd April 2019. Once you have read the report, please make contact with your child's teacher in the first instance if you have any further questions.

Key Dates:

The key dates for parents will be sent home next week. However, we have already uploaded all main events onto the website calendar if you wish to find out now. Hopefully, you will find this helpful with planning ahead for next term. School Club allocation will sent home on April 2nd 2019.

Goodbyes:

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Philippa and Miss Jasmine at the end of term. As you know Miss Philippa is moving abroad and will be working for GEMS Wellington in Dubai, and Miss Jasmine will be also moving abroad to teach at a University. Both are moving on to very exciting and wonderful opportunities, and we wish them the best of luck in their future careers. I'm sure you will join me in wishing them a fond farewell.

End of Term:

A reminder that pick up on Friday 5th April is at 2:00pm and that there will be no after school club care. We will follow the usual procedure of bringing all the children out at the same time- Reception will be dismissed from their own playground.



Uniform:

The children may begin to wear the summer uniform after the Easter Holidays. You will find a full list of uniform requirements on the school website.

House Points: This house point treat will be an ‘Easter Festive Treat!’

House	Points
Parks	Final count to be revealed on Monday
Gandhi	
Pankhurst	
Shackleton	

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	96.5%
Year 1	97.4%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3	97.3%
Whole School	97.0%

Key Dates:

Monday 1 st April	Final Week for Clubs
Wednesday 3 rd April	Year 2 SATS meeting at 6:30pm
Thursday 4 th April	Move Night for Year 3 Pupils
Friday 5 th April	End of Term – The school closes at 2:00 pm (no afterschool care or clubs)
Wednesday 24 th April	Summer Term begins

Twitter:

Please follow us on [@GemsTwickenham](https://twitter.com/GemsTwickenham) for all the latest news and updates. Please download the school app for regular updates

Principal’s Question: For a house point on Monday, please write down what you learnt about Mothering Sunday and its history in this weeks assembly. Please hand your answers to your classroom teacher

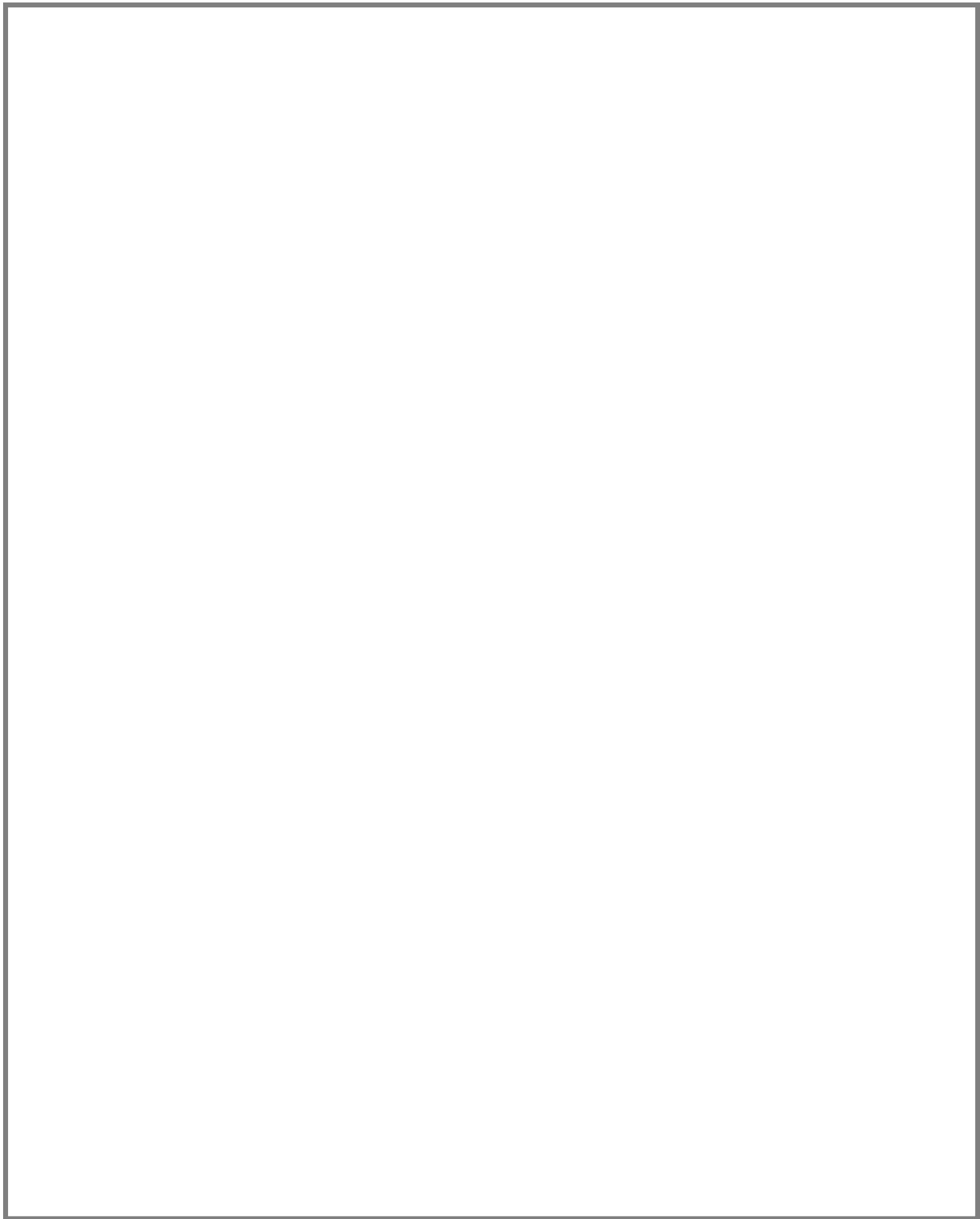
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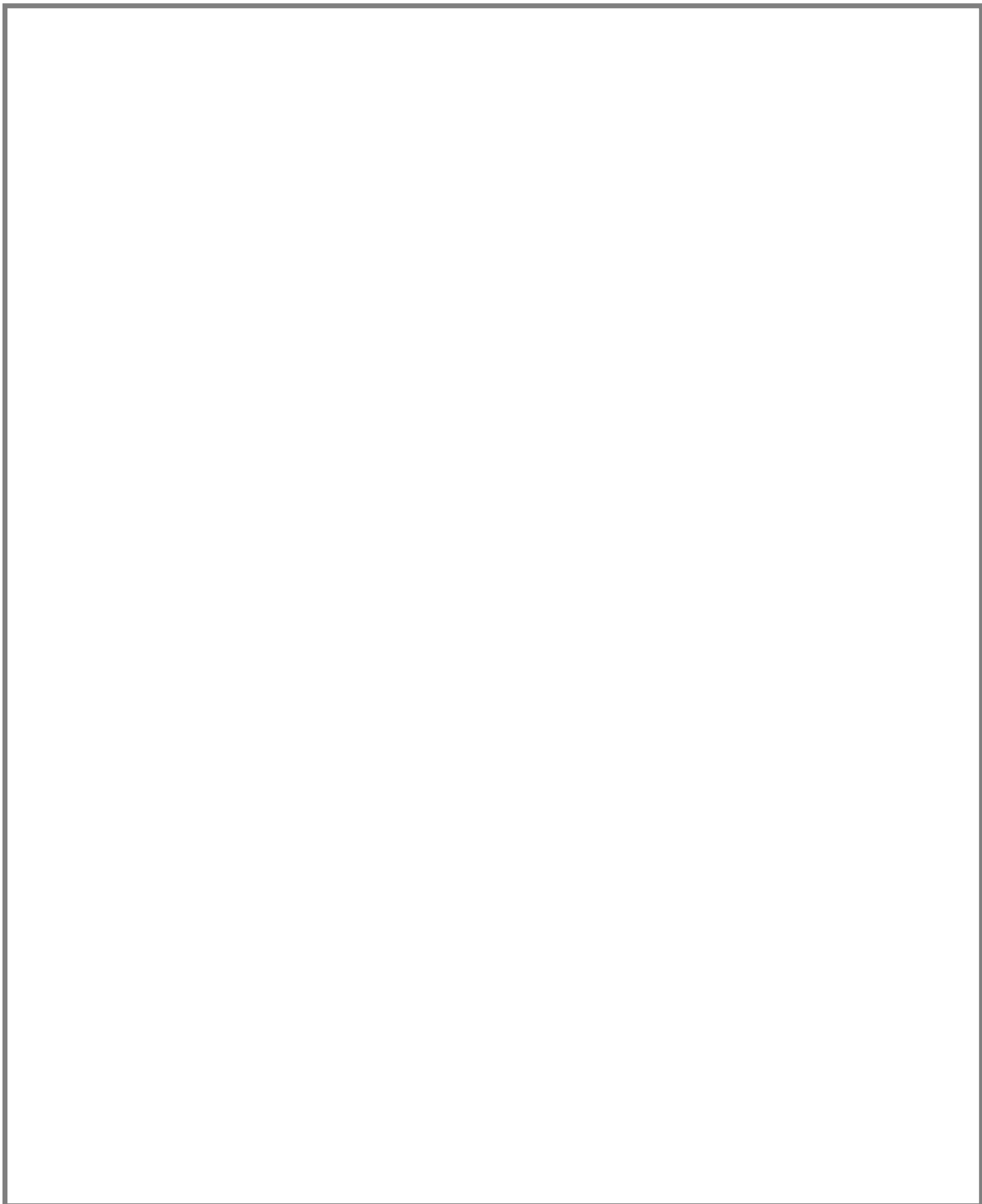


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