



GO GOMER! Well done to **ROBERTA SLATER** who recently attended a World qualifier competition for her solo acro and solo lyrical and made both finals, taking her on to Southern regionals where she placed 1st in lyrical - 4th in acro. S, she he will be attending the World Championships later in the year! Roberta also took part in her first professional and public theatre show at The Theatre Royal in Annie as an orphan child and a maid. A further well done to **CHARLIE DICKENS** who took part in Endurance 10, a 10k hike across the Chilterns in Buckinghamshire which was hilly, muddy and really really hard. It tested his resilience and determination. What an achievement!

We love to hear about your children's success outside school too. Please inform us so that we can record them here. We will continue to celebrate individual successes in our Friday Celebration Assembly.

DATES FOR APRIL: The dates below are for your diary and are also included on the electronic calendar; occasionally, they are subject to change	
Ongoing	Arrival to playground from 8.40 am
	Registration: 8.45 am End of school day: 3.10 pm
Mondays	Class 4EC PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school Y5 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y3 Counting Club (invitation only): 3.10-3.45pm - Starting Monday 13 April • Y6 Booster Group (invitation only): 3.10-3.45 • Tri-Golf (upper school): 3.10-4.00pm - Starting Monday 13 April
Tuesdays	No PE Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Club (all year groups): 12.00-12.50 • Lower School Art Club: 3.10-4.00pm - Starting Tuesday 14 April • Whole School Drama Club: 3.10-4.00pm - Starting Tuesday 14 April • Y6 Booster Group (invitation only): 3.10-3.45 • Y4 Times table club (invitation only) 3:10-3:45
Wednesdays	Class 4LF PE/Swimming Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school Y3 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school Y6 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y6 Booster Group (invitation only): 3.10-3.45 • Lower School Multi-Sports Club: 3.10-4.00pm - Starting Wednesday 15 April
Thursdays	Y3 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school Y4 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school Y6 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir practice (all year groups): 8.15-8.45 - Starting Thursday 16 April • Football Training (League): 3.10-4.00pm - Starting Thursday 16 April
Fridays	Y5 PE Day - Pupils to wear PE kit to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slipper Friday - A chance for children to swap shoes for slippers to wear in school • Home Learning sent home
Monday 13 April	Summer Term starts - pupils return to school
Monday 14 April	Y6 Event: Recognition for Diligence and Determination (they will like it...)

Wednesday 15 April	Class 4LF - Swimming Lessons (1 of 5): pm
Tuesday 21 April	Young Carer's Group (invitation only): 3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday 22 April	Class 4LF - Swimming Lessons (2 of 5): pm
Friday 24 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Military Child Day - Children welcome to wear purple accessories with their uniform • Groundforce & Outdoor Learning Day - Please click here to confirm you are able to help.
Wednesday 29 April	Class 4LF - Swimming Lessons (3 of 5): pm
Upcoming dates for May	
Monday 04 May	Early May Bank Holiday - School Closed
Tue 05 → Thurs 07 May	Y5 Bikeability
Wednesday 06 May	Class 4LF - Swimming Lessons (4 of 5): pm
Mon 11 → Thurs 14 May	SATs Week: daily breakfast before school for yr6 pupils
Wednesday 13 May	Class 4LF - Swimming Lessons (5 of 5): pm

ADMISSIONS will announce our 2026 Year 3 cohort on Wednesday 16 April. If you know any Year 2 parents who may be talking about admissions to King's Academy Gomer, please direct them to HCC admissions or KGA Hampshire admissions if they have any inquiries ahead of hearing directly from the school. We aim to make personal contact with our families in early May. We do have some information available on our website. Please see [here](#). To contact the KGA Hampshire Admissions Team, please email admissions@kgahampshire.org

Unusually, we currently have vacancies for new pupils in the following year groups:

Year 3
5 places

Do you know anyone who has a child who would like to attend our school? If so, please let them know and ask them to call us for a tour of the school and/or to apply for a place.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION is added to our website with various events and information which may be of interest to you. Click [here](#) to view current information.

HEALTHY SNACKS Children continue to be reminded that snacks such as crisps and chocolate should be reserved for lunchtime or after the school day. 🍏 Help us to encourage children to choose appropriate options for school, to build lifelong healthy snacking and eating habits. Thank you for supporting your child.

KEEPING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY SAFE PARKING CONSIDERATELY - PARKING CONSIDERATELY As a school, we are committed to keeping our children, families, and neighbours safe. With this in mind, we ask all parents and carers to park safely and respectfully when dropping off or collecting children from school.

- Avoid parking on corners, such as the corner of Pyrford Close near the school gate, or across dropped curbs. Dropped curbs are essential to enable access for wheelchair users, pushchairs, and those with mobility needs.

- Reversing along Ladram Close is extremely dangerous - please avoid doing this.






- Please switch off your engine while waiting. Idling engines (leaving your engine running while parked) is not only harmful to the environment but is also illegal in many areas, including outside schools.

If you need to drive, please consider leaving home earlier, parking a little further away, and walking the last part of your journey.

MILITARY CHILD April is the month of the Military Child. To celebrate our military children, on **Friday 24 April**, staff and pupils are invited to wear purple accessories with their uniform, to show their support for Service children across the country.

NEW MENU ON OUR [WEBSITE](#)

Our catering team, Chartwells, have been working hard behind the scenes to refresh and enhance the meals they offer to pupils. These improvements are designed to provide delicious, nutritious, and child-approved options that support healthy eating habits throughout the school day. In the new menu you will find:

-  Returning Favourites
-  More Jacket Potato Toppings
-  More Fibre for Better Nutrition
-  Plant-Based & Plant-Forward Choices
-  'Strong Recipe' Days

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, pupils can look forward to especially exciting dishes that showcase new flavours and creative recipes from our kitchen team.

NUT ALLERGIES/SHARING SNACKS We would be grateful if you could remind your child **NOT** to swap or share food with others. This helps ensure that children only eat the food you have provided and keeps everyone safe. Our school is a nut-free environment due to severe allergies within our community, and several children have specific dietary requirements.

OUTDOOR LEARNING/GROUNDFORCE DAY - REMINDER We are hosting two more 'Ground Force Days' this year and the next is **Friday 24 April**. The whole school will be participating in a range of gardening, landscaping and outdoor learning opportunities, at different times, throughout the morning. Adult support to help tend to the grounds, independently or alongside your child, will be very much appreciated. Please complete the [Google form](#) to pledge some time to help with this event. Key information:

- As normal, Mrs Carre will be coordinating us for the morning. Please sign in at her table at the greenhouse on the way in.
- Please bring your own tools if possible - secateurs, rakes, spades etc would be really useful as we have a limited supply (make sure they are named).
- Donations of good-quality plants would be very much appreciated.
- Children are to come to school in clothes you do not mind getting grubby or paint on and should bring their wellies or suitable outdoor shoes.
- Please ensure Y3 have their trainers so PE can still be an option without the need for changing.

SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORM is now welcome for the Summer Term. In the Summer Term **DARK BLUE gingham** dresses or playsuits are allowed. The Summer school uniform list also stipulates that formal black shorts or skirts can be worn, with short short-sleeved white shirt, blouse or polo. Children wanting to wear sandals in hotter weather must do so only when also wearing socks - this is for health and safety reasons.

SCOOTERS AND BICYCLES - A SHARED SAFETY REMINDER Please do not ride scooters and bicycles on the school site. This includes all children, adults and accompanying toddlers. Please push your wheels from the gate to the bike/scooter racks. As we share our site with Gomer Infant School, this is a joint message for the whole Gomer community.

STAFF MATTERS We are pleased to welcome Mrs Rachel Burns to the school office. Mrs Burns joins us as Mrs Austin begins her well-earned retirement after 30 years of dedicated service to King's Academy Gomer. Mrs Austin has been a much-loved member of our school community and will be greatly missed by staff, pupils and families. We wish her a very happy and relaxing retirement. We also warmly welcome Mrs Jane Hughes, who joins our G-Club team. Both members of staff are excellent additions to the Gomer team, and we are delighted to have them with us. In other news, after Easter, Mrs Lethbridge will have changed her name, and will therefore be called Mrs Higgon. Her email addresses and correspondence will however, remain the same until she returns from her maternity leave.

YOU SAID/WE DID The children have said that sometimes they can't find the supervising adults easily during play times, so they can ask for help. Please now look out for our bright pink high-vis vests, which help make all our duty staff very easy to spot!