



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

21st May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been National Walk to School Week and we have been encouraging the children to take part in a five day walking challenge whilst exploring the benefits of walking, cycling or scooting to and from school.

The national average for children walking to school is just 46% but here at Gainsborough 62% walked at least once this week and 44% of our pupils walked every day.

Walking to school not only helps reduce traffic pollution but it helps children to improve their fitness and gives them the opportunity to talk to family members and their friends. It also benefits their mental wellbeing, aiding concentration and creativity at school.

Next week at Gainsborough is Healthy Living week. During the week children will be learning about healthy eating and the benefits of physical exercise. They will take part in a circuit training style challenge and will also be designing their ideal 'Active Playground' to help our PTA with ideas for improving our playground over the next year or so with funds that they raise.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Nurse
School Principal



Express Yourself Day

The children have thoroughly enjoyed expressing their uniqueness today by dressing up and having crazy coloured hair. Thank you to the PTA for organising this event.

The children have managed to raise a staggering £283. Well done!



'Getting Ready for Healthy Eating Week' School Lunch

The children enjoy eating healthy school lunches. This week they were treated to a special school lunch in preparation for 'Healthy Living' week next week.



Lunchtime Menu – Week 2 – w/c 24th May 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatball Pasta Bake Jacket Potato	Chicken Pasta Bake Vegetarian Sausage Roll	Roast Turkey Quorn Fillet	Mild Beef Chilli Cheese Toasties	Fish Fingers and chips Chicken Fillet and chips
Cheese Tuna	Ham Cheese	Cheese Egg	Ham Tuna	Ham Cheese

Nursery News

Nursery have had a wonderful week this week learning all about minibeasts! Jayden and Lincoln are proudly showing us their colourful butterflies and Audrey is using caterpillars to help her with a size ordering activity. We have been exploring the concept of symmetry by focusing on butterflies and learning that one wing looks the same as the other, creating our own butterfly patterns and prints.



In the garden the children have been digging out our old daffodil bulbs ready to plant new summer bedding plants. Poppy is looking after them by making sure they have lots of water and Diana is digging holes ready to plant sweet peas. The children have also been using their magnifying glasses to search for minibeasts in the outdoor 'bug hotel'.



Next week is healthy living week and we will be reading the story 'Handa's Surprise'. The story is all about recognising different types of fruits and wild animals. The sound of the week next week will be 'x'.

Reception News

The children have been thinking about real life superheroes this week. They have explored the role of a fire fighter and a police officer. We have talked about how they help us and why they wear their special uniforms.

On the creative table this week the children have created their own fire engines using paints and stamps. We thought about the shapes we could see on the firefighter's vehicle.



The children took part in fire fighter training this week. They practised climbing the ladder on the school climbing frame.



In maths the children have been learning number bonds. We have been singing a special song that helps us remember all the different ways to make ten.

The children have explored number bonds further on the maths and playdough areas.





Cup Winners



- Class 1: Esma for trying really hard with her phonics and writing.
- Class 2: Kyaan for fantastic effort in PE this week.
- Class 3: Lucas for wonderful reading comprehension.
- Class 4: Dominik for excellent effort in his phonics.
- Class 5: Darcie for having a positive attitude towards learning.
- Class 6: Darren for writing independently.
- Class 7: Avah and Faidon for great sentences using fronted adverbials.
- Class 8: Hubert for super effort in English and maths.
- Class 9: Safwaan for excellent knowledge of money in maths.
- Class 10: Jakub for becoming a confident reader.
- Class 11: Oliwia O for excellent effort with writing and trying hard to incorporate conjunctions into her work.
Brandan for working hard to improve his presentation.
- Class 12: Sophia T and Hollie R for effort with writing content and Jimmy for excellent effort in maths.
- Class 13: Taylor for excellent behaviour and attitude.
- Class 14: Connor for improvements in his presentation and effort.



Mrs Nurse's Special Award



- Blake (y5) for excellent writing.
- Dylan (y5) for improvement in handwriting.
- Rebeca (y2) for her amazing gymnastic skills.



Attendance Matters

National average Primary School attendance	96%		
Overall school attendance to date	95.29%		
Overall school attendance last week	96.02%		
Nursery Mrs Spencer	97.9%		
Class 1 Mrs Smith	94%	Class 2 Mrs Hampshire	95%
Class 3 Mrs Clewes/Mrs Grocott	97.6%	Class 4 Miss Eccleston	98.4%
Class 5 Miss Woolley	91.7%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	98%
Class 7 Mrs Kettle/Mrs Taylor	93.1%	Class 8 Miss Garside	99.3%
Class 9 Mr Williamson	92.3%	Class 10 Miss Hitchen	97.9%
Class 11 Mrs Taylor	97.7%	Class 12 Miss Lake	92.8%
Class 13 Miss Lee	97.7%	Class 14 Miss Marshall	96.9%

Dates for your Diary



w/c 24 th May 2021	Healthy Living Week
28 th May 2021	Last day of half term
w/c 31 st May 2021	Half Term Holiday
7 th June 2021	Children return to school

RHS Gardening Award



We are very proud that Gainsborough has been awarded the level one RHS School Gardening Award.

Thank you to Mrs Webster and Mrs Kettle for their hard work.

Out of Hours COVID Phone Line 07783 301863

We now have an **out of hours** telephone number for parents to report the results of a **positive COVID test of a Gainsborough pupil** only.

Parents should continue to contact school via the school landline or admin email address to report any other information including test results of family members.

Call or text to leave the following information:

- Pupil's name,**
- Pupil's class,**
- Date that symptoms first started,**
- Result – Positive**



Nursery

Do you know a child who will be 3 years old before 1st September 2021 and would like to come to our Nursery? We only have a few spaces remaining. Please email admin@gainsborough.cheshire.sch.uk or telephone 01270 685328 to talk to a member of staff.