



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

6th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome everyone back to the new term here at school; Family Gainsborough has been shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Harry in Y1. Please find alongside this newsletter a tribute to him which captures just a few of our memories. We would like to remind you that you are invited to contribute to a book of condolence which is available for you to sign in the community room. If this sad news is affecting you in any way, please get in touch with us here at school and we can offer support or direct you to services or resources that may help.

Plans are underway for activities in school to celebrate Harry's life, including fundraising for a permanent memorial; we will be in touch to let you know more details in due course.

Today your child will have brought home a curriculum brochure which outlines what they will be learning this term and ways in which you can help them at home. A copy is also available on each year group page on our school website.

We were pleased that the KS2 visit to the theatre went ahead this week following its postponement from before Christmas. I have enjoyed listening to the children's chatter about their favourite parts of the show. Staff are now busy planning this term's exciting educational visits for each year group.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Nurse
School Principal

Key Strings

This afternoon the children were treated to live musical performances where they were encouraged to actively experience different and unusual instruments as well as singing and dancing.



Breakfast and Books Club

Next week we are launching our Breakfast and Books club for years 1 and year 3.

This club is for a parent or carer to attend together with their child.

During each session there will be a light breakfast and a selection of books for you to enjoy and share with your child.

There will also be a teacher available so that you can discuss the next steps in your child's reading.

Year 1 club will take place every Monday from 8.20am to 8.35am.

Year 3 club will take place every Wednesday from 8.20am to 8.35am.

Please reply via the school gateway app under 'clubs' and indicate whether you have any food allergies.



Lunchtime Menu - week 1 - w/c 9th January 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homemade Pizza Pasta Milanaise	Beef Cottage Pie Jacket Potato	Sausage, Potatoes and vegetables	Vegetarian Lasagne Vegetarian Sausage Roll	Fish and chips Vegetable Frittata
Ham Cheese	Tuna Cheese	Ham Tuna	Cheese Egg	Ham Cheese

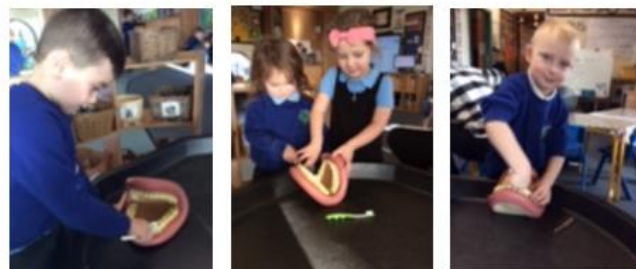
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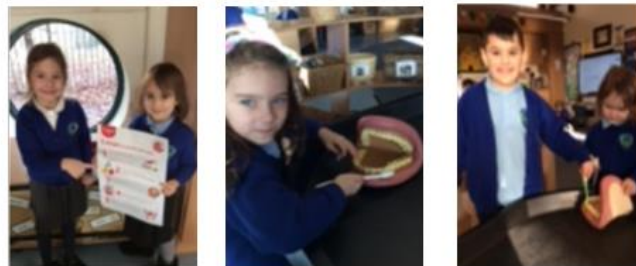
This week in Nursery we are learning about repeating patterns



Reception



This week in Reception the children have been learning about keeping healthy. They have been learning about oral hygiene, healthy eating and the importance of visiting the dentist (dental care is free for children). The children will be bringing home a toothpaste tube and a chart to fill in when they brush their teeth twice every day.

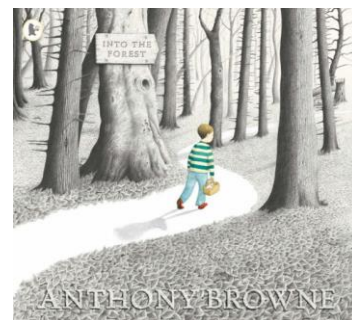


Year 2

Year 2 children have begun studying the book *Into the Forest* by Anthony Browne. They looked at the language used by the author to describe the forest and then wrote their own descriptions.

In maths the children started a topic on money. They learnt the value of all UK coins and notes up to £20. Furthermore, they added amounts of money before finding out how to calculate change. If you would like to help your child with this topic, it would be great to play 'shops' at home, buying a number products, calculating the total and workout out change from 50P, £1.00. If you really want to challenge your child your items could range between £1.00 and £2.00 and sthey can find change from £5.00!

British Coins and Notes



We look forward to seeing all Year 2 parents at the SATS meeting on 10th January at 5.15pm.



Cup Winners



- Class 1: Denis for doing extra phonics and writing activities.
- Class 2: Annabelle for super phonics work.
- Class 3: Imogen for working hard in maths.
- Class 4: Larissa for settling in very well at Gainsborough this week.
- Class 5: Esma for excellent money work.
- Class 6: Millie for her maths work, adding coins and notes.
- Class 7: Daisy for an excellent effort to improve her handwriting.
- Class 8: Anaïs for being kind and considerate to others.
- Class 9: Amelia for always putting in 100% effort.
- Class 10: Robert for great sketching techniques in art.
- Class 11: Matei for his excellent ideas during our poetry lessons.
- Class 12: Kim for excellent progress and effort in maths.
- Class 13: Coby for growing in confidence in his maths lessons and for applying the skills he has been taught to worded problems.
- Class 14: Brooke for her hard-working attitude in lessons.

Mrs Nurse's Special Award



- ★ Lanai, Hanna and Lincoln (c3) for great writing about the 3 little pigs
- ★ Riley (c10) and Louie (c7) for improved behaviour.
- ★ Olly (c9) for a brilliant character description of Charlie Bucket.



Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		92.33%	
Overall school attendance last week		91.13%	
Nursery Miss Farnworth		88.33%	
Class 1 Miss Croucher	87.3%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	84.4%
Class 3 Miss Eccleston & Mrs Clewes	95.5%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	99.2%
Class 5 Mrs Kettle & Mrs Taylor	85.1%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	89.1%
Class 7 Miss Jones	83.6%	Class 8 Mrs Taylor	99.1%
Class 9 Miss Marshall	94.5%	Class 10 Miss Garside	91.3%
Class 11 Mr Basing	98.3%	Class 12 Miss Hitchen	85%
Class 13 Miss Lee	91.7%	Class 14 Miss Gough	89.7%

Parent Governor Elections

A vacancy has arisen for a parent governor on our governing board. The governing board is asking you to nominate someone with parental responsibility for a child at the school. If more than two nominations are received, then a ballot will be held.

If you would like to put yourself forward as a candidate, please complete the nomination form and return it to the school by MIDDAY MONDAY 16TH JANUARY 2023.

If you have any queries then please contact Mrs Doyle.

Dates for your Diary

9 th January	8.20-8.35am	Y1 Breakfast and Books
10 th January	5.15pm	Y2 SATs parent meeting
10 th January	6pm	Y6 SATs parent meeting
11 th January	8.20-8.35am	Y3 Breakfast and Books
17 th January	8.45-9.30am	Reception Come and Read
20 th January	8.45-9.30am	Y2 Come and Read
24 th January	8.45am	Y6 SATs Breakfast Workshop
31 st January	8.45am	Y2 SATs Breakfast Workshop