



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

16th October 2020

Dear parents/carers,

At Gainsborough, we recognise the importance and value of PE and the role it has in promoting a long term healthy lifestyle. Our bespoke programme provides all children with high quality PE and sports provision that impacts positively on them and their future. PE not only provides our children with appropriate skills and knowledge, but it teaches them the importance of self-discipline, perseverance and resilience.

Much of our PE at Gainsborough is taught by specialist sports coaches from Sportscape who introduce the children, through PE lessons and after school clubs, to a range of different sports and activities such as hockey, football, netball, basketball, cricket, rounders, outdoor adventurous activities, dance and gymnastics.

Miss Garside leads PE and healthy living at Gainsborough and her enthusiasm and energy for the subject is infectious! Miss Garside encourages children to be fully active on the playground and supervises our trained pupil play leaders who provide structured play activities at lunch time for children to take part in. Miss Garside is also re-launching our 'Golden Mile' competition in school where children are encouraged to regularly walk a mile in our school grounds.

After half term, in an effort to promote the importance of a healthy lifestyle outside of school, we will be publishing on our newsletter each week ideas for activities that you can do at home with your child; we do hope you will give them a try. Later in the year we will be exploring the benefits of walking or cycling to school through the 'WOW walk to school challenge'.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and that you are able to get out for a walk or a bike ride and enjoy the Autumn colours.

Mrs J Nurse



Cauliflower Cards

Cauliflower cards produce Christmas cards, wrapping paper, tags and mugs which will be printed with your individual child's artwork.

Today your child will have brought home a picture and an order form. The picture is an example of the design chosen by their class. Your child will draw their own version of this picture in school which you will be able to purchase online at:

<https://xmas.cauliflowergroup.co.uk> using the unique code sent home on the order form.

Please return this order form to school by Friday 23rd October 2020.

French Day

On Friday 23rd October the school is celebrating French Day. The children will be concentrating on different areas of France and what they are known for.

To further celebrate this day there will be a special themed lunch (please book on school comms) and the children and staff are invited to dress in red, white and blue for the day.

MENU

Croque Monsieur
Saucisses
Frites
Petit pois & legume

Mousse au chocolat
Des fruits



Lunchtime Menu – Week 2 – w/c 19th October 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gammon, Pineapple and Sauté Potatoes Cheese Toastie	Fruity Veg Curry with Rice Fish and Wedges	Hunters Chicken with Creamed Potatoes Sausage Roll	Beef Lasagne Jacket Potato	Pork Sausage and chips Cheese toastie
Cheese Roll Ham Roll	Ham Wrap Egg Wrap	Cheese Baguette Tuna Baguette	Ham Wrap Egg Wrap	Ham Baguette Cheese Baguette

Nursery News

This week in the nursery the children have been collecting the beetroot that we have growing in our vegetable garden, cutting it up and using it to explore and investigate. They have also had the opportunity to taste beetroot that has been cooked. The photographs show Beau collecting the beetroot and Dwight cutting it up to explore.



We have also been listening to stories that help us to express our emotions and talk about our feelings. We have used puppets to help support us with these stories, and drawn pictures of faces showing each of the different emotions.

Next week our story will be 'Meg and Mog at Halloween'. We will also be doing some simple alliteration activities, making 'silly soup' with objects that rhyme.

Reception News

This week we have read *It Was A Cold Dark Night* by Tim Hopgood. We talked about how all the animals in the story were looking for a home to hibernate in. We talked about which animals hibernate and the children-built homes for the Autumn animals and made Autumn hedgehogs with their handprints.

The children have started to learn some 'tricky words' this week. Tricky words are words that we can't sound out with phonic knowledge such as: go, the, he, me, she.

In maths we have been counting Autumn objects. The children have been practising counting objects 1:1 and matching to the correct amount.

The children will start PE next week so please make sure your child has their kit in school.

Next week we will be reading *Pumpkin Soup* by Helen Cooper.

In maths we will be looking AT 2D shapes.

Phonics Screening Meeting

There will be a virtual meeting for year 1 parents/carers on Tuesday 3rd November 2020. The aim of this meeting will be to give you further information and useful resources that will help support your child in readiness for the national year 1 phonics screening assessment that that will be taking in June.

A reply slip has been sent home with your child – please could this be returned by Friday 23rd October if you would like to join in with this meeting.

Thank you.

PTA

The next PTA meeting of this term will be held via Zoom on Wednesday 21st October 2020 at 5pm. The meeting will be to elect the new PTA committee.

A Zoom link will be sent out on Monday 19th October 2020 if you would like to join in this meeting.

Everyone is welcome!





Cup Winners



- Class 2: Caspar for trying really hard in Literacy this week.
- Class 3: Lottie for excellent geography work about the UK.
- Class 4: Isla for super geography work and always being smiley.
- Class 5: Jake for always working hard, especially in maths!
- Class 6: Emily for working so hard on her golden book.
- Class 7: Laura C for great use of propositions in her English work.
- Class 8: Shelby for trying hard to complete her work this week.
- Class 9: Francesco for excellent problem solving in maths this week.
- Class 10: Jack for excellent behaviour and effort.
- Class 11: Brandan for his hard work in English this week!
- Class 12: All of Class 12 for an excellent approach to our art project.
- Class 13: Harry for working really hard with Miss Johnson in English and Maths.
- Class 14: Isabel for super narrative writing and attitude to learning.

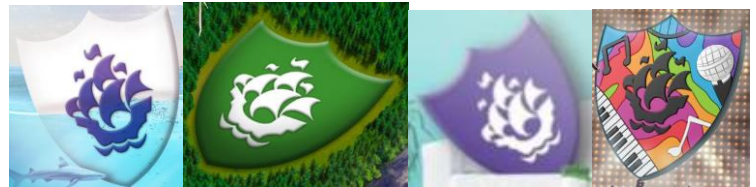


Attendance Matters

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.62%	
Overall school attendance last week		96.84%	
Nursery Mrs Spencer	99.4%	Class 2 Mrs Hampshire	93.4%
Class 3 Mrs Clewes/Mrs Grocott	96.8%	Class 4 Miss Eccleston	99.2%
Class 5 Miss Woolley	95.4%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	92.6%
Class 7 Mrs Kettle/Mrs Taylor	99.3%	Class 8 Miss Garside	100%
Class 9 Mr Williamson	94.7%	Class 10 Miss Hitchen	99.3%
Class 11 Mrs Taylor	95.8%	Class 12 Miss Lake	98.6%
Class 13 Miss Lee	97.4%	Class 14 Miss Marshall	95.5%

Blue Peter Badges

Did you know that your child could earn a Blue Peter badge?
There are 8 different badges that your child could earn.
Please go to <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/about-blue-peter-badges> for further details of the badges.



Each badge is awarded for different topics – sport, music, the environment or sending Blue Peter an interesting letter or story. There is a gold badge that is awarded for outstanding achievements and only a few of these are given out each year.

From Friday 6th November 2020 (after half term) the school will no longer be closing at lunch time (1.30pm). Classes will be dismissed on Fridays at the same time as they are every day.

Nursery	11.45-11.50am / 2.45-2.50pm
Reception	2.50pm
Year 1	3.10pm
Year 2	3.00pm
Year 3	2.50pm
Year 4	3.10pm
Year 5	3.00pm
Year 6	3.05pm

Thank you for wearing face coverings whilst waiting for your child to be dropped off and collected from school.

Please can we ask that you do not wait around for too long once your child has gone into school or come out of school. This is to keep everyone safe.

If you have children in different year groups then please arrive at the latest time for drop off and collection.

