



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

10th February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week and the theme this year was 'Let's Connect', which has been all about learning the importance of connecting with others, especially family and friends.

As well as exploring different ways in which we can make connections with others, the children have all been making new ones by meeting new friends and finding out about them.

Each class visited a different year group to meet other children that they may not already know and played a game of 'Let's Connect' Bingo. In each square on their Bingo card there was a challenge for the pupils to find someone else who, for example, likes pizza, or who has a pet and so on. The children then moved around the room, talking to each other to find out whether they connect over things they have in common. It was a perfect opportunity for the children to meet new people and get talking and the children thoroughly enjoyed it.

For more information about children's mental health you can visit: <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

We have also been exploring how to stay safe on the internet for Safer Internet Day, which was on Tuesday. The children looked at how to respond to unkind and inappropriate messages, how to interact safely when playing online games and how to spot suspicious websites.

For further information and advice for parents on internet safety, you can visit our school website:

<http://www.gainsboroughschool.co.uk/page/computing/58940>

We hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs J Nurse
School Principal



Year 4

In science, Year 4 have been learning about sound this half term. We have learnt all about how sound travels to our ears and we have even felt sound and seen sound! We had a great time making our own kazoo out of straws. We were able to change the pitch of the sound by changing the length of the straw. Lilia in class 9 said, 'when you blow the kazoo you can feel the sound vibrating on your lips, the harder you blow the louder it is.'



Lunchtime Menu - week 2 - w/c 13th February 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Italiane Jacket Potato	Spaghetti and Meatballs Enchilada with Rice	Roast Gammon Quorn Fillet	Chicken Curry Vegetable Ravioli	Fish Fingers and Chips Vegetable Nuggets and Chips
Cheese Tuna	Egg Cheese	Egg Ham	Cheese Tuna	Ham Tuna

Nursery

Guess which Nursery rhyme we have been singing this week!



Gold Stars Half Term

Monday 20th February
Cotton bud print – dandelions
Growing seeds – cress heads

Tuesday 21st February
Looped paper flowers
Cardboard rainbow

Wednesday 22nd February
Tissue paper daffodils
Bird feeder

Thursday 23rd February
Rainbow Suncatcher
Cherry blossom bottle print

Friday 24th February
Cherry blossom windsocks
Stained glass butterfly

Reception

This week in Reception...

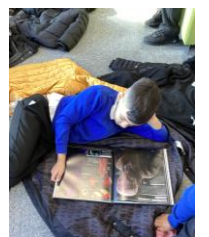
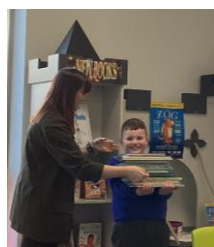
We have been looking at our 'All About Me' books together.

We have enjoyed looking at our pictures and recalling our favourite memories that we have created in Reception.



Year 3

This week Year 3 have visited the library at the Lifestyle Centre in Crewe. We found out lots of interesting facts about the library such as: it is free to join, you can join at any age, you can borrow books for up to two weeks at a time and can even borrow twenty books at once! Twenty-nine children became members of the library whilst we were there and all selected a book to bring back to school. Many of our children were already members so have chosen a new book to read. We've had lots of fun looking at all the books and can't wait to share with our new stories with our friends!





Cup Winners



- Class 1: Dima for engaging with his learning and making progress in phonics.
- Class 2: Niko for recognising lots of 3D shapes.
- Class 3: Jacob for super writing of the story 'Little Red Riding Hood' and trying hard to use his phonics.
- Class 4: Laura for working hard in phonics.
- Class 5: Kevin for being a positive role model and for always giving 100% to all he does.
- Class 6: Lugio for great answers on the school trip.
- Class 7: Jamie for a huge improvement in his handwriting and presentation. Well done!
- Class 8: Everlyn for settling in so well to Gainsborough and producing beautiful work.
- Class 9: Sophia for increased independence in her written work.
- Class 10: Logan for a super improvement in his handwriting.
- Class 11: Isabel for working exceptionally hard during our class assembly and producing an outstanding performance.
- Class 12: Ivy for settling into Gainsborough and becoming a true asset to the class.
- Class 13: Hayden for doing really well in his maths assessments.
- Class 14: Leon S for some excellent problem solving during our assessment week.

Mrs Nurse's Special Award



- ★ Nikyen (cl 14) for his positive attitude and effort in his assessments this week.
- ★ Rhoda-Mai (cl 14) for spreading happiness and kindness with her wonderful smile!



Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		92.61%	
Overall school attendance last week		93.17%	
Nursery Miss Farnworth		90.6%	
Class 1 Miss Croucher	90.2%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	94.5%
Class 3 Miss Eccleston & Mrs Clewes	93.3%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	93%
Class 5 Mrs Kettle & Mrs Taylor	80.4%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	90%
Class 7 Miss Jones	97.8%	Class 8 Mrs Taylor	97.9%
Class 9 Miss Marshall	94.8%	Class 10 Miss Garside	93.5%
Class 11 Mr Basing	97.3%	Class 12 Miss Hitchen	100%
Class 13 Miss Lee	93.8%	Class 14 Miss Gough	87.6%

Year 5

Year 5's parent performance on Space was thoroughly enjoyed by their parents/carers yesterday!



Dates for your Diary

13 th February	8.20-8.35am	Y1 Breakfast and Books
13 th February		Y4 Nantwich Museum visit
15 th February	8.20-8.35am	Y3 Breakfast and Books
16 th February	1.30-2.30pm	Tots' Time in Nursery
17 th February		Last day of term
27 th February		Children return to school