



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

3rd November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

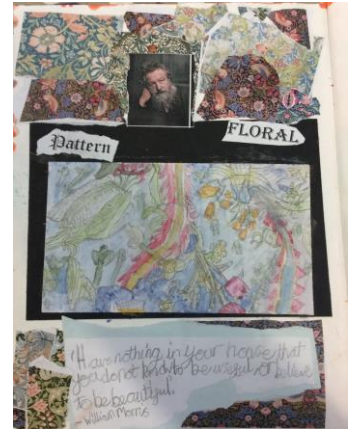
This week we have been celebrating Gainsborough pupils' artistic talents! We have been looking at the skills and techniques that children learn right through from Early Years to Year 6. Miss Farnworth, our Art Subject Leader, has been visiting lessons across the school and on Friday, pupils were chosen from each class to come and tell us about their learning in the subject.

At Gainsborough we know that art lessons can provide pupils with opportunities to develop their imagination and creative thinking. Our art curriculum ensures that they learn the skills of drawing, painting, printing, collage and sculpture, using materials such as pencils, charcoal, paint and clay. Pupils are encouraged to be reflective and evaluate their work by thinking critically about how they could change or improve their techniques. Children are also introduced to the work of a range of famous artists such as Hokusai, Pollock, Kandinsky, William Morris and Matisse and they learn to create their own masterpieces in their style.

We hope you enjoyed looking at your child's sketch book this week at Parents' evening and here are a few more samples of pupils' work for you to enjoy.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Nurse



Year 2

It was wonderful to see so many adults during the parents' evening this week. Sharing your child's progress, work and strategies to help them achieve more was lovely.

This week year 2 have been busy learning all about materials, the gunpowder plot and the artist, Hokusai. During PE lessons the children explored different ways to travel across and under equipment. Yesterday we enjoyed learning about different string instruments and all about The Beatles when we had visitors from Key Strings in school.

We look forward to seeing year 2 parents at Breakfast and Books each Tuesday from 8.15-8.40am. You might even spot our attendance bears there!



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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homemade Pizza Five Bean Chilli	Cottage Pie Italian Pasta Bake	Roast Pork Roast Quorn Fillet	Chicken Tikka and Rice Jacket Potato	Fish and Chips Vegetable Frittata
Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna



After School Clubs

Please could we ask you not to use the school car park when collecting your child from after school clubs. We have a lot of children leaving school at 4pm and this causes a safety issue.



Please help us fundraise by donating your good quality unwanted, re-useable (clean, dry and wearable) clothes and accessories.

A clothes bag and more information will be sent home with your child next Friday.

The clothes will be collected from school on 29th November.



This week in Reception we have been exploring the celebrations of Bonfire Night and Diwali. The children have enjoyed making firework pictures, edible sparklers and rockets.



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Please take a look at the QR codes to find out more and have some fun looking at the sounds we have learnt this week.

Please encourage your child to practise putting on their coat and gloves independently.





Cup Winners



- Class 1: Ayat for super sentence writing and letter formation.
- Class 2: Ana for super maths work.
- Class 3: Audrey for using excellent handwriting this week.
- Class 4: Janna for writing a super sentence about lions.
- Class 5: Beau for his enthusiasm in maths.
- Class 6: Benjamin for remembering to use finger spaces in his writing.
- Class 7: William for doing a brilliant job of being 'Speaker of the House' in our class debate.
- Class 8: Sophia for excellent attitude to learning across all areas of the curriculum.
- Class 9: Aysha for her speedy times tables recall.
- Class 10: Zachary for making amazing progress with his reading and English work. Keep it up.
- Class 11: Nabihah for pushing herself and completing the challenge work in maths. Well done!
- Class 12: Sienna for always being kind and helpful and trying her best.
- Class 13: Vidalia for trying hard in her maths booster session.
- Class 14: Laura for her excellent instructions for playing Pok-A-Tok.

Mrs Nurse's Special Award



- ★ Ella (c14) for showing great perseverance and resilience with long division this week.
- ★ Liliana (c12) for her good manners in the dinner hall.
- ★ Ivy (c13) for excellent art work.
- ★ Olly (c12) for brilliant creative writing.

Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.65%	
Overall school attendance last week		95.01%	
Nursery Miss Farnworth		90.5%	
Class 1 Mrs Kettle & Mrs Taylor	96.4%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	95.9%
Class 3 Miss Booth & Mrs Clewes	96.2%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	91.7%
Class 5 Miss Croucher	92%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	95.3%
Class 7 Mr Basing	94%	Class 8 Miss Lee	100%
Class 9 Miss Gough	96.7%	Class 10 Miss Iddenden	94.8%
Class 11 Mrs Dewey	95.6%	Class 12 Miss Marshall	93.7%
Class 13 Mrs Kelly	93.3%	Class 14 Mrs Taylor	96.7%



Dear Parents/Carers,
WOOHOO... MONDAY
13TH NOVEMBER IS
ODD SOCKS DAY!



WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week! To celebrate that we are all unique, we ask that children wear odd socks to school on Monday 13th November. Last year over 13,000 schools took part in Odd Socks Day. Andy Day (CBeebies/CBBC) and his band Andy and the Odd Socks are supporting the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti-Bullying Week, Make a Noise.

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message to pupils that they should be allowed to be themselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.



Dates for your Diary

13 th November	Odd Socks day
14 th November 8.15am	Year 2 Breakfast and Books
14 th November 1.15-4pm	Class 7 Parents' Evening
15 th November 8.15am	Year 6 Breakfast and Books
15 th November 1.15-4pm	Class 7 Parents' Evening
15 th November 2.30pm or 5pm	Reception Phonics and Reading Parental Workshop
21 st November	KS2 'The Nutcracker' Theatre trip
22 nd November	N & R Crewe Lyceum visit
24 th November	Y2 Blue Planet Aquarium visit