



# Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear parents/carers

Happy New Year to everyone in our Gainsborough community; we hope you had a restful Christmas break.

Here at Gainsborough we understand the importance of working in partnership with parents and carers for the best outcomes for all of our children. This is why we keep you informed about what pupils are learning each term. Today, your child will have brought home a curriculum brochure which outlines their learning for this term; a copy can also be found under 'curriculum' tab and on the class pages on our school website. We hope you find it useful.

In addition to this information, we are pleased to invite you in after school on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January to look at your child's learning alongside them. This will also be an opportunity for you to chat to your child's class teacher about how you can help at home.

Year 3 and Year 5 will also be sharing their learning with parents and carers through an exciting class performance this term, so look out for dates in the diary section in this newsletter.

Next week, parents and carers of pupils in Year 6 are invited to a Breakfast Workshop to find out about how we teach maths and to work alongside their child to practise some calculations! They are also invited to an additional Parents Evening to talk to the class teacher about their child's progress towards their SATs which take place in May.

We are also running a number of Breakfast and Books sessions; parents and carers of children in Y1 and Year 3 this half term are invited to join us each week to read, relax and munch on some toast from 8.15am (see Dates for your Diary section for dates).

In March you will receive a full written report outlining your child's progress and attainment so far this academic year and it will also set them targets for the remaining term.

Finally, Nursery, reception, Y1 and Y2 are all holding 'Come and Read' sessions this half term; we do hope you can join us.

If you would like any information about your child's learning, or have any queries at all, please do get in touch with their class teacher; you can pop a note in the reading diary, have a chat at home time, or call the office to make an appointment.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Nurse



## Year 4

This week in year 4 we have been completing a diary entry imagining that we are Egyptian slaves being given the task of building an Egyptian pyramid. We watched a BBC video clip of men being taken from their village to Giza to work for the king. We began by creating mind-maps of how this might have felt before beginning our diary entry. Our focus was to write in accurately punctuated sentences, including fronted adverbials. We enjoyed sharing what we had written with our partners before using our purple polishing pens to edit and improve our work.



We have read the story, 'Dear Zoo'  
and made lion masks in Nursery.



This week we have been looking at how to  
brush our teeth correctly in Reception.



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

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/55Le48As/gLvOjMDL>



Please remember to  
send in your child's  
book bag and reading  
diary every day.

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/hesxUEHR/7FARUCD>



Mrs Kettle's RWI  
group please read your  
ditty sheet daily.

## Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Tanzeela (c8) for her amazing writing about the Iron Man.
- ★ Vasile (c6) for his fantastic drawings.
- ★ Everlyn (c10) for her Save the Planet poster.
- ★ Rebeca (c11) for helping settle in a new pupil and her brilliant translating skills.
- ★ Dylan (c13) for his dedication to charity work.
- ★ Mayank (c9) for dedication to reading.
- ★ Olly (c12) for his fantastic poem.
- ★ Shelby (c13) for her excellent street dancing skills.



A cacophony of noise roars through the battlefield.  
Men advancing from the hill crest.  
The rumbling of the footsteps grow louder.  
Men tremble in fear.  
They feel sweat running under their helmets.  
The mounted warriors swing their mighty swords.  
Every swing makes them question their mortality.  
Then men interlock their shields.  
Chainmail armour grinding against each other.  
The dying warriors yell in agony, the dead do not go quietly.  
The sound of hooves become fainter.  
We dash to tend our wounded.  
We may have won the battle but we have not won the war.

By Olly, class 12





## Cup Winners



- Class 1: Aubrey for fantastic maths work looking at number bonds to 10.
- Class 2: Arlo for trying hard in speaking and listening activities.
- Class 3: Chloe for a settled return to school this week.
- Class 4: Erik for excellent recalling of facts and writing super sentence writing.
- Class 5: Levi for always working incredibly hard and big improvements with writing.
- Class 6: Jennifer for writing the date independently and accurately.
- Class 7: Hunter for excellent work in both Geography and English.
- Class 8: Aiyaan for improved listening and concentration in lessons.
- Class 9: Ella for making a real effort with her handwriting.
- Class 10: Daniel for showing great commitment by reading every day in the holidays! He has a great attitude towards his reading; well done.
- Class 11: Jaden for excellent multiplication work this week including the tricky two digit by two digit multiplication. Great work, Jaden!
- Class 12: Frankie for determination with long multiplication.
- Class 13: Imogen for fantastic use of rhyme, puns and alliteration during our English lesson on newspaper articles.
- Class 14: Tyler for always working hard in maths but especially with his fractions over the last 10 weeks!

### Lunchtime Menu - week 1 - w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheesy Pasta Jacket Potato	Sausage and Potatoes Spanish Rice	Roast Gammon Bap Veggie Burger	Pizza Jacket Potato	Fish Fingers and Chips Texan Quorn Tortilla
Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna

Attendance			
National average Primary School attendance		<b>96%</b>	
Overall school attendance to date		<b>95.24%</b>	
Overall school attendance last week		<b>95.95%</b>	
Nursery Mrs Taylor		<b>91.2%</b>	
Class 1 Mrs Kettle & Miss Hooker	<b>96.4%</b>	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	<b>96.1%</b>
Class 3 Miss Booth & Mrs Clewes	<b>98.2%</b>	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	<b>95%</b>
Class 5 Miss Croucher	<b>95.3%</b>	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	<b>93%</b>
Class 7 Miss Oliver	<b>97%</b>	Class 8 Miss Lee	<b>98%</b>
Class 9 Miss Gough	<b>97.9%</b>	Class 10 Miss Iddenden	<b>96.1%</b>
Class 11 Mrs Dewey	<b>92.9%</b>	Class 12 Miss Marshall	<b>92.1%</b>
Class 13 Mrs Kelly	<b>100%</b>	Class 14 Mrs Taylor	<b>98.1%</b>

Dates for your Diary		
16 <sup>th</sup> January	8.15-8.35am	Year 3 Breakfast and Books
17 <sup>th</sup> January	8.15-8.35am	Year 1 Breakfast and Books
17 <sup>th</sup> January	8.45am	Year 6 SATs Parent Workshop
18 <sup>th</sup> January	2.45-3.15pm	Year 2 Come and Read
19 <sup>th</sup> January		Class 7 swimming lesson
23 <sup>rd</sup> January		Year 5 Tatton Park visit
26 <sup>th</sup> January	2.45-3.15pm	Nursery Come and Read
26 <sup>th</sup> January	2.45-3.15pm	Reception Come and Read
30 <sup>th</sup> January	3.20pm	N, R, Y1 & Y2 Look at our Learning
31 <sup>st</sup> January	1.45-5.45pm	Year 6 Parents' Evening
31 <sup>st</sup> January	3.25pm	Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 Look at our Learning
15 <sup>th</sup> February		Year 6 Tatton Hall visit
16 <sup>th</sup> February		Last day of half term

