



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

25th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

October has been Black History Month and here at Gainsborough we have been exploring the theme through art, history and music.

The children have been exploring the artist Alma Thomas and have created a variety of different symmetrical patterns in her style. For example, Y5 created a symmetrical pattern using a weaving technique.

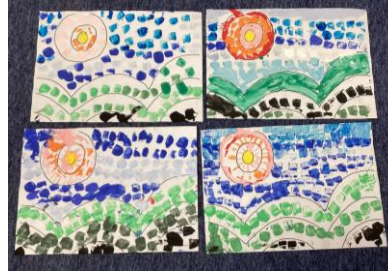
In music, we have been learning traditional African chants. The children in EYFS learned 'Zimbole'. Take a look at our school Facebook page to see their performances!

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Gainsborough-Primary-and-Nursery-School/100057614942507/>

Each year group have also been looking at a different influential black figure and have been discussing why they have been recognised as heroes. For example, Y6 looked at the life of Martin Luther King.

Today, we break for half term and we will return to school at 8.45 on Tuesday 5th November.

Have a lovely week,
Mrs J Nurse



Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Ira (c2) for using her phonics to help her write.
- ★ Tilly (c6) for her exemplary manners.



Dates for your Diary

28 th October - 4 th November	Half Term – school closed	
5 th November	8.40am	Children return to school
7 th November	2.45pm or 5pm	Reception Phonics and Reading Workshop
8 th November	2.30pm	Year 2 Come and Read
12 th November		C7 Parents' Evening
13 th November		Parents' Evening
14 th November		Parents' Evening
19 th November		KS2 New Vic Theatre visit
22 nd November	2.30pm	Year 1 Come and Read

This week in Nursery we have made spiders, pumpkin cakes and witches soup for halloween.



This week has been a very busy week in Reception, we made the most of the dry days and had great fun with the chalk outside.



This week we have been learning an African folk song, play this for your child at home and encourage them to sing it to you.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znrQY3akU7Q>



Year 5

To celebrate Black History month year 5 have been busy. We have been weaving with both paper and wool, singing a traditional African song and learning all about Chadwick Boseman. We wrote an explanation about the impact Chadwick had and why he is a black hero. We also had a debate about his impact where some of us were *builders*, *challengers* or *probers*. Why not ask your year 5 child all about Chadwick.



Goodbye

We would like to wish Mrs Bloor a very happy retirement. She has worked as a midday assistant at Gainsborough for the last 35 years.

Thank you for all your hard work over the years. We wish you all the best for a long and happy retirement.





Cup Winners



- Class 1: Maggie for being a brilliant role model.
- Class 2: Andy for developing his confidence and 'having a go'.
- Class 3: Ryan for super maths work and number writing.
- Class 4: Aadhav for super writing about the Dogger's Summer Fair.
- Class 5: Emilie-Rose for working so hard in phonics this term. Keep it up!
- Class 6: Eiliyah for her fantastic retell of the Storm Whale in Winter story.
- Class 7: Brendan for excellent work in maths.
- Class 8: Ryan for making an amazing box monster in DT. Well done!
- Class 9: Muntaha for her bravery and determination to keep working hard even with a broken wrist.
- Class 10: Phoebe for always smiling, trying her best and being a good friend.
- Class 11: Toby for making a big effort to improve his handwriting.
- Class 12: Adam for a super explanation about the impact Chadwick Boseman had on black history.
- Class 13: Adriana for improved effort with her writing.
- Class 14: Emily for excellent effort with long division.



Lunchtime Menu - week 2 - w/c 4th November 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Homemade Pizza Pasta Carbonara	Roast Chicken Roast Quorn Fillet	Chicken & Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato	Fish and Chips Vegetable Frittata
	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna	Ham / Cheese / Tuna

Attendance

National average Primary School attendance	96%
Overall school attendance to date	95.76%
Overall school attendance last week	94.76%
Nursery Mrs Taylor	92.4%
Class 1 Mrs Kettle & Miss Eccleston	85%
Class 2 Mrs Grocott	98.7%
Class 3 Miss Booth & Mrs Clewes	92.7%
Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	93%
Class 5 Miss Gee	93.5%
Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	99.33%
Class 7 Miss Hitchen & Miss Aitchison	95.3%
Class 8 Miss Lee	90%
Class 9 Miss Gough	97.6%
Class 10 Miss Iddenden	97.7%
Class 11 Mrs Dewey	97.7%
Class 12 Miss Marshall	99.31%
Class 13 Mrs Kelly	87.9%
Class 14 Mrs Taylor	98.5%

Gainsborough GRIT and Determination Awards

Class 1	Alma
Class 2	Olivia
Class 3	Alesia
Class 4	Peter
Class 5	Janna
Class 6	Leo



Pre-Loved Items

If you are having a 'clear out' during half term and have any Christmas jumpers that your child has grown out of, then school are happy to receive them for a pre-loved Christmas jumper Sale.



Gold Stars would also love to receive any pre-loved games or toys that their children could use.