



# Gosforth Park First School

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## Comic Relief!

We've had so much fun on our 'prank the teacher' themed Red Nose Day. Unfortunately, poor Mr Hindess who came up with the wonderful idea ended up being pranked the most! Our fantastic staff who are all such good sports were subjected to being pelted with wet sponges, stuck to the wall and made to eat crunchy critters in the bush tucker trial. We also ended the day by getting Mr Hindess full in the face with a plate load of cream. Jazleen and Daniel our Pride winners this week really enjoyed rubbing it in!





Poor Miss Coughlan!



It turns out 4 rolls of tape are not enough to stick a teacher to a wall! Mr Hindess and Mr Straker were ready to catch her.



Gosforth Park's very own Angel of The North?

Crunchy crickets- beautifully served up with a side salad. Watch out Jamie Oliver!

Mrs Lamb got just got back from her meeting in time for the chocolate covered crickets. They weren't too bad actually!



Action shot! Not sure Mr Hindess and Mrs Lambert were too keen on these tasty treats



A couple of the children approached Mrs Wilson today to ask if the takings from today's tuck shop could be donated to Comic Relief. Mrs Wilson was so overwhelmed with the thoughtfulness of the children that she decided to donate all of this week's takings, £62, to Comic Relief, making our grand total a whopping £275. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Mrs Lamb



A great BIG thank you to our parents Mrs Gill, Mrs Butterworth and Mr Farnaby. Our pupils have been very enthused and involved learning about the different aspects of engineering. I'd like to say another big thank you to the members of our school PTA. They have provided some wonderful prizes for our school engineering competition and the winners will be announced in Monday's assembly.

Mr Phipps

Read on to find out what the children had to say...

Yesterday Mrs Butterworth came round to do science with us. It was really fun because we made DNA wristbands and a sheet of questions. We had a really fun time and really enjoyed it.

Harry Beall

It was good when we made DNA bracelets with Mrs Butterworth. It was good when we tasted some paper strips to see if we like sprouts.

Lauren Schofield

It was very interesting when Mrs Butterworth came and told us about our DNA, that means the colour of your eyes and lots of other things. We got to try some paper and she said this will tell you about if you like sprouts or not.

Eva Greenhill

## Violet Class Assembly Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Doors will open as soon as we can get the hall ready (no later than 9:15) so you can have a cuppa and a chat, then the children will come down at 9:30. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Music Students from Durham University to see Violet and Blue Class
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	KS1 Trip to Alnwick Castle
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 3 Singing with Ian Roberts (more information to follow)
Weds April 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Frid April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 at Robinwood
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Music Students from Durham University to see Indigo Class
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter Holiday
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	School reopens
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Daft as a Brush Day
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for May half term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Training Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Open Day from 12:30
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year reports out to parents
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer Holiday

## Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will begin this half term when you will have the opportunity to come into school and watch your child and their class present what they have been learning about. Due to our very exciting and popular celebration assemblies which are held at the end of the school day, class assemblies will be on Friday mornings. Doors will open as soon as we can get the hall ready (no later than 9:15) so you can have a cuppa and a chat, then the children will come down at 9:30. Dates for each class assembly are:

Class	Date
Nursery am and pm	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 10:45am 2:30pm
Reception SC and SW	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May
Green	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
Orange	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May
Yellow	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April
Violet	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Indigo	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May
Blue	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April



### Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Violet** and **Yellow** class

**Our attendance this week was 97.7%. An improvement on last week and huge improvement on last year (96.5%)**

**We had 13 lates this week (7 families)**

**Thank you so much for your support.**

Mrs Lamb



Our Mathletics trophy goes to **Orange Class** this week and our Mathletes of the week are

**Rory Watt, and Magnus Gouly!**

Well done!

## Homework

Class	
Green	Maths – comparing lengths Spelling-common exception words
Orange	Spelling-common exception words  Maths –fractions of shapes and numbers
Yellow	Spelling-common exception words
Indigo	Measurement - map work challenge/snakes and ladders
Violet	Perimeter and area of 2-D shapes.
Blue	Adding and Subtracting Fractions. Times tables practice please. (p.s. we won the Mathletics trophy! Thank you!)



Huge congratulations to Daniel Craig and Jazleen Alam who have had their work displayed on The Pride of Gosforth Park First School board! They were presented in assembly with their medal which they will return next Friday, ready to hand over to the next set of superstars!



Well done to all of our super swimmers who have achieved the following awards!

Malak Al-Ahmar = 10m

Daniel Waters = 5m + Stage 1

Noah Hussain = 10m + Stage 2

Ethan Oldham = 10m + Stage 2

Joseph Norman = 10m + Stage 2

Cole Coulter = 5m + Stage 1

Hollie Flevill = 5m + Stage 1

Hamna Pervez = Stage 1

Reina Elblewi = 5m + Stage 1

Tommy Kirk = Stage 3

Harry Brown = Stage 7

Nina Gumbrill = Rookie Lifeguard Stage 3 - silver



# The Friends of GPFS

## Book Fair



Thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair this week. And a massive thank you to our wonderful volunteers, Anna, Marlen, Jane and Joanne.

## Committee Meeting

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm** in the school Hall. As always everyone is welcome to attend, and it would be lovely to see some new faces!

## Preloved Uniform

We still have stock available if you would be interested in purchasing some please contact Kate Watkins on 07947846974.

## How we spend the money raised

Every penny the PTFA raises goes back into school for various things. Over the past few weeks we have contributed to a number of things in school such as the cost of the Year 1 trip to Alnwick Castle which the children will be going to on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Our contribution has made the cost to parents lower than it would have been. We have also given Mr Phipps money to purchase some amazing prizes for the STEM week competition, and Mrs Lambert has been planning lots of exciting new Literacy purchases too. The teachers have lots of fantastic ideas for the school and the funds we raise help make these ideas a reality, so we very much appreciate all the support and help from our wonderful parents. Remember you can help in many ways, from signing up to [easyfundraising.com](https://www.easyfundraising.com), to helping at an event, attending an event or donating a raffle prize! *The more people who do a little, the bigger the benefit to the school.*

Have a great weekend,

On behalf of the Friends of GPFS,

Jen Higgins