



Gosforth Park First School

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What a busy week we've had this week at GPFS! As you know, we had our Ofsted inspection on Tuesday and Wednesday. This was a routine inspection that was expected following our last inspection in July 2016. Our children have been absolutely amazing this week. We are so proud of the work they have done and how they have behaved. They were on top form as usual! I would also like to say a huge thanks to our wonderful staff team who always go above and beyond to support the children in our school.

We have received lots of support and well wishes this week from parents, families, governors and colleagues in the Gosforth Schools' Trust and Local Authority and wish to thank you all for your continued support. We are awaiting the final inspection report and look forward to sharing this with you when we are able to.

Together we make a difference!

Mrs Lamb



We are looking forward to celebrating different faiths and beliefs in school next week.

On Monday we have Kate Hinton in assembly who will be speaking to the children about Humanism.

On Tuesday our KS2 pupils are visiting a Hindu Temple. In assembly on Tuesday we have the Reverend Robert Lawrance in assembly speaking about Christianity.

On Friday our Year 2 pupils are visiting the Gosforth Reform Synagogue (our Year 1 pupils will visit after the half term holiday). We also have one of our lovely parents coming to speak to the children about Islam on Friday morning.

If anyone else would like to come and share their faith or beliefs, please do get in touch.

Mrs Lamb

PLEASE REMEMBER - Preloved uniform is available to buy anytime through Kate Watkins. Please contact her on 07947846974. Lots of stock available at the moment. This includes not only official school uniform but also grey items priced as low as 50p.



Number Day

It was lovely to see the children coming through the gate this morning with their number outfits! We have some very creative parents. We have raised £190.30 so far for the NSPCC.

Thank you so much for your kind donations.

Why is the number six so scared?

Because seven eight nine!

Why didn't the two fours feel like dinner?

Because they already eight!



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Green Class** and **Violet Class** this week.

Our attendance this week was 96.6% which is up from last week!

We had 16 lates this week (10 families).

Mrs Lamb



Well done to Emily Graham and Lauren Graham from Yellow class have both gained their Stage 5 swimming badge.



Our Mathletes of the week this week are Magnus Goulty and Myar Elalem. Well done! Our class of the week is **Orange Class**.

Robinwood 1st – 3rd April

A final meeting will take place on **Thursday 13th February** in the school hall at **6.30pm**.

It is most important that every child who is going is represented by their parent/guardian as there is a lot to go through and forms to hand out. We will be telling the children which staff members will also be going on the residential visit. The meeting should last no longer than 45 minutes.

Mrs Wilson

STEM WEEK

Our annual Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) week will be held in March. If you have a job or hobby which involves any of these areas and you would be willing to lead an activity in school with children or staff please let Mr Phipps know.

Please send emails to admin@gosforthpark.newcastle.sch.uk.

Thank you!

Medicines in Schools

Please can we remind families that any medicines that need to be in school must be given in at the school office, where a first aider will take appropriate details and store medication securely. This must not be given to children to bring to class.

Many thanks for your cooperation.



Healthy School

Please remember that as part of our Healthy Schools status, chocolate bars and packets of sweets are not allowed in packed lunch boxes. Children may have a chocolate biscuit.

Many thanks

Mrs Wells



Diary Dates

Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day Activities in school
Tuesday 11 th February	KS2 Visit to Hindu Temple
Thursday 13 th February	6:30 Robinwood – final information meeting for parents
Friday 14 th February	Year 2 visit to Synagogue
Friday 14 th February	February Half Term
Monday 24 th February	Back to School
Tuesday 3 rd March 3:40 or 5:30	Year 1 Phonics Briefing for Parents
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 13 th March	Key Stage 1 Class Assemblies Refreshments 2:15 – 2:45 Assembly 2:45 – 3:15
Tuesday 17 th March 10:30	Nursery Mother's Day Assembly
Thursday 19 th March 2:15	Nursery Mother's Day Assembly
Friday 20 th March	Scholastic Book Bus in School
Friday 20 th March	Key Stage 2 Class Assemblies Refreshments 2:15 – 2:45 Assembly 2:45 – 3:15
Tuesday 24 th March	Parent Consultations
Thursday 26 th March	Parent Consultations
Friday 27 th March	Reception Class Assemblies Refreshments 2:15 – 2:45 Assembly 2:45 – 3:15
Wednesday 1 st April – Friday 3 rd April	Year 4 Residential to Robinwood
Friday 3 rd April	Easter Holiday
Monday 20 th April	Back to School
Friday 8 th May check	Bank Holiday
Friday 22 nd May	Daft Day
Friday 22 nd May	Half Term
Monday 1 st June	Training Day
Tuesday 2 nd June	Back to School
Friday 19 th June	Open Day
Friday 10 th July	Reports out
Thursday 16 th July	Parent Consultations
Friday 17 th July	Summer Holiday



Playground Equipment

WOW! The new playground equipment looks so fun! And was worth the wait! Just a reminder that all the money raised from the sale of *Preloved Uniform* goes towards buying fun and exciting playground equipment for the children. Thank you to everyone who has bought *Preloved Uniform* so far.

If you have any uniform to donate or need to stock up on some bits because the little cherubs aren't so little anymore, please contact **Kate on 07947846974**. It is much cheaper than buying brand new, helps the school and helps the environment too!

Unwanted/Unused Gifts

We are still collecting in any unwanted/unused gifts to be used as prizes for our raffles throughout the year. After half term the boxes will not be at the class entrances, however you can still make a donation by dropping off at the school office (just in case you receive too many Valentine's gifts and would like to regift them to us).

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 11th February at 7pm** in the school hall, where we will be discussing our next fundraising idea. If you would like to join us, we would love to see you there.

Have a lovely weekend,

The Friends of GPFS Committee