



Gosforth Park First School

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Roald Dahl Day

We all had a super time celebrating Roald Dahl day yesterday. We had Roald Dahl quotes hidden in envelopes around school and in the afternoon all of the children swapped around to listen to their chosen Roald Dahl story.

The staff were very animated story tellers and the children listened beautifully! I had so much fun with all of the shouting and screaming in *The Twits* that I almost lost my voice!

Lots of the children were quite keen to continue the reading out of school.

Mrs Lamb – *The Twits*

Mr Hindess – *James and the Giant Peach*

Mr Starker – *Fantastic Mr Fox*

Mrs Thorpe – *The Magic Finger*

Mrs Wilson – *The Giraffe, the Pelly and Me*

Mrs Armstrong – *The Vicar of Nibbleswicke*

Miss Walsh and Miss Coughlan – *Matilda*

Thank
You



I would like to say a huge **well done** to those families who have remembered to dismount from their bikes and scooters at the *first* school gate and walk them to the bike racks. You are doing a great job of keeping our community safe and it is very much appreciated.

Mrs Lamb

Visitors in School

If you have been into the school office since the start of term you may have noticed our whizzy new sign in system! It prints visitor badges with a photo ID so we know exactly who is in school, when and why. If you need to be in school beyond the office, please make sure you come through the main office and sign in. This is to keep you and all of our children safe.

We have lots of new staff in school who do not yet know all of our lovely families so please do not be offended if they ask who you are. They are being extra vigilant for the safety of your children.

Brilliant Behaviour!

We are so proud of all of the children and the fantastic start they have made to the term with their behaviour. We already have pupils who have completed their first Gold Star card with 10 Gold Stars! Our newly appointed school council members met with Mr Hindess yesterday to choose the Gold Star prizes and we are excitedly awaiting their delivery on Monday!

School Council

The school council have had some brilliant ideas and will be taking ideas from the rest of their class to future meetings. They all received their shiny new school council badges in assembly this morning and are wearing them with pride! See our *Congratulations* section to see who they are!



YEAR 4 SWIMMING...

You will all be pleased to hear that the children were extremely well behaved on their walk up to and returning from the pool on Tuesday. I am sure they will explain to you how we crossed the very busy roads, keeping quiet and looking and listening at all times. They were a credit to the school.

Because there is such a high number of boys in year 4 (27) the School Room becomes very busy as another school come in to change whilst we are having our lesson. As you can imagine 40+ boys is a lot to contain in a small room. Mr Hindess tried his very best to keep the boys and their belongings together but alas we came back minus a towel and a pair of goggles plus two extra towels. PLEASE ensure your child knows their towel – better still can you please name it so that we don't have upset children.

Mrs Wilson



Early Years (Reception Classes)

Wednesday 19th September from 4pm

Key Stage 1 Classes (Green, Orange and Yellow)

Tuesday 18th September from 4pm

Key Stage 2 Classes (Indigo, Violet and Blue)

Thursday 20th September from 4pm



On Friday 21st September we will be having a non-uniform day to support the running of the Chocolate Tombola Stall and the Bottle Stall at the Autumn Fair. The children can come to school not wearing their uniform but please ensure sensible footwear is worn. In return please could they bring in donations of chocolate and or bottles for the Chocolate Tombola Stall and Bottle Stall. This is always very popular at the Fair but we do need donations. The FGPFs thank you in advance for your help and support.

A Royal Visit

Last Friday we met Prince William!

Prince William was visiting the North East to celebrate the Great Exhibition of the North where he visited lots of places including our daddy's work. Here he was shown a hyperloop, which is like a train only faster. We had to design a hyperloop carriage and a new bridge over the River Tyne. Prince William spoke to us and told us our drawings were very good with great colouring in. He was very friendly.

From Elizabeth, Emily and Lauren Graham.



Homework

Class	Friday 14 th September
Green	Write sentences using High Frequency Words
Orange	Year 1- Write sentences using High Frequency Words Year 2- Punctuate and create sentences
Yellow	Punctuate and create sentences
Indigo	Place value questions using base 10
Violet	Spellings
Blue	Place value questions and missing number problems

The Friends of Gosforth Park First School

Dates for your Diary:

Friday 21st September – Non School Uniform Day
(please donate either chocolates or bottle for the school fair)

Tuesday 25th September – PTFA Meeting 7pm in school hall, all welcome.

Friday 28th September – Please send in any cake donations for school fair

Saturday 29th September – SCHOOL FAIR 11AM-1PM

Thank you to all of you who have already signed up to help at the school fair. We really appreciate your support. We are still looking for volunteers to help with the fair, if you can spare half an hour or more to help cover a stall please let one of the committee members know.

Our PTFA notice cupboard has had a fabulous make over and is due a top coat of paint to finish it off. A massive thanks to our dedicated committee volunteers Joanne and Marlen for giving the display cupboard the TLC it was in dire need of! All relevant information from the Friends of GPFS will be displayed here so please check it out for updates.



Hard at work



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Reception - Miss**

Coughlan and **Yellow Class**

Out attendance this week was 95.6% which is significantly down on last year's 98.1%. Please help us to reach over 96%!



Congratulations to our school council members

James Taylor

Nina Gumbrill

Joe Thompson

Sophia Cutmore

Anahita Baigi

Sam Tristram

Sophie Reid

Daniel Irving

Maddy May

David Taylor

Connor Wheatley

Heidi Collins

Poppy Greenhill

Henry Craib

Emily Graham

Harry Flinders

Well done to Harry Beall who has achieved his stage 5 swimming award.



Fresh new look for new PTFA