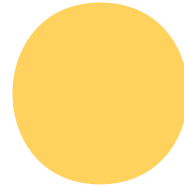


GATEWAY GOSSIP NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th October 2026



Message from Miss Makinson

Hi Everyone,

As we reach the end of this half term, I want to take a moment to reflect on what a fantastic few weeks we have had across the school. The children have settled brilliantly into their routines, worked hard and made a wonderful start to the academic year.

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our Halloween craft session. We had an astounding turnout with 101 families attending! It was fantastic to see the creativity, laughter and brilliant spooky creations. Events like these highlight what a strong, supportive community we have and we loved sharing that time with you all.

Alongside all the hard work in the classroom, our pupils have enjoyed some brilliant educational trips this half term, bringing their learning to life through memorable hands-on experiences. More of this to look forward to in the coming months.

I am also pleased to share that our overall attendance has remained consistently good this half term. Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring your children arrive ready to learn each day. Looking ahead to next half term, we want to push our attendance figures even higher. Every day in school counts and with so many exciting events and activities planned for the run-up to the festive season, we want to make sure no child misses out. Thank you once again for your continued support and partnership. I hope you all have a wonderful, restful half-term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 2nd November for an action-packed second half term!

Miss Makinson

Our Spotlight

Year 2

What a brilliant start to the term Year 2 has had! In English, the children have been working hard on writing clear, full sentences, while in maths, they have been mastering place value with great confidence. Everyone has loved learning about The Great Fire of London which they performed their first Year 2 assembly about. Beyond their learning, it has been wonderful to see existing friendships grow alongside new friends who have joined our class. We are so proud of the enthusiasm, kindness, and hard work shown every single day. Well done Year 2, what a truly wonderful start to our school year!



Dates

Monday 2nd November

School re-opens

Friday 13th November

Children in Need- wear yellow or spotty clothes

Tuesday 17th November

Year 3 Dance Festival at the Winter Gardens- buy tickets direct from the Winter Gardens for the nighttime performance

Friday 20th November

Parent Forum 9-10am-subject to be confirmed

Monday 23rd November

Year 5 trip to see author Kwame Alexander at the Grand Theatre

Friday 27th November

Non uniform day -bring a chocolate donation for the Christmas Fair

Wednesday 3rd December

Friends of Gateway wrapping of school gifts to children

Have a half term break



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