1st December 2023

Newsletter: 6

Gateway Gossip Fortnightly

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to December!

It has been a chilly week but we are grateful for the wonderful week in school and the accompanying sunshine!

As we move through December towards Christmas we have lots to look forward to in school. Please make sure you know of all the events coming up. In particular I want to mention the Parents Forum meeting that is being remodelled to involve your child or children if you attend. It's going to be a business enterprise session that will help with the proceeds for the Christmas Fair so a great cause. Of course we have to limit numbers for space in the hall,so be sure to let the office know if you would like to attend.

Just a little reminder about lunches. The office requires notice to change school dinners to packed lunches and vice versa so please advise of any changes with good notice. The orders go in to the catering suppliers every Thursday also so once this is done meals cannot be changed for the following week as there will not be enough stock. Please speak to class teachers or the office if there are any issues and we will amend meals for the next cycle . Don't forget it's Christmas Dinner day in school on Thursday 21st December, so get any meals booked now with the office for children who usually have a packed lunch but would like to partake.

Please make sure children are in school on time especially in the cold and wet conditions. It is important they get a chance to eat and warm up before lessons start for maximum learning opportunities. Please also ensure warm coats are available each day.

Have a great weekend and stay warm! With my best wishes, Mrs Robinson

Tuesday 5th December Boys football tournament

<u>Thursday 7th</u> <u>December</u> Parent Forum and Christmas workshop at 1.30pm <u>Friday 8th December</u> Christmas Jumper Day for chocolate.

<u>Tuesday 12th</u> <u>December</u> Musical Theatre group performance.

<u>Thursday 14th</u> <u>December</u> Year 4 Christingle 2.30pm

Dates To Remember



Wednesday 20th December Christmas Fair 3.30pm

<u>Wednesday 20th</u> EYFS Nativity at 1.30pm <u>Thursday 21st</u> <u>December</u> EYFS Nativity 9.15am <u>Friday 22nd</u> <u>December</u> School Closes at 2pm for Christmas

Monday 8th January School opens at 8.35am

Monday 15th January Primary school (Starting Reception in September 2024) admission closes.

Let's Celebrate!

Core Value Award

N - Oscar RB - Paul 1B - Ana-Alexandra 1G -2B - Joshua 2G - Willow 3B - Nicolae-Cosmin 3G - NIamul 4B - Daniel 4G - Kurtiss-Junior 5B - David 5G - Rocky 6B - Daniel 6G - Caitlin

Attendance

Darius, Emmanuel, Bobby. Seb, Elsa, Valarie, Amelia, Olivia, Eva, Dexter, Ester, Maisy, Lucas.

Well done to all our fantastic winners!

N - Jesse-Ray RB - Ashleigh 1B - Sophie 1G - Mustafa 2B - Cody Our Awards
2B 4G



Award

Star

N - Elizabeth RB - Meghan 1B -1G -2B - Hielari 2G - Tore 3B - Valerie 3G - Libby-Mae 4B - Hope 4G - Taylor 5B - Adam 5G - Krystal 6B - Alfie 6G - Kelsey-Mai

Headteacher Award

- Award
- 2G Dilsha 3B - Romeo
- 3G Mohamad
- 4B Mihini

Reading Award

N - Sofia RB - Nora 1B - Lachlan-Jay 1G - Bobby 2B - Ellie-May 2G - Tobias 3B - Mateusz 3G - Daniel 4B - Morgan 4G - Amelia 5B - Olivia 5G - Abbie 6B - Destiny 6G - Izabella

Staff Shoutout

Year 1 for your excellent teamwork and welcoming of your new team member whilst Mrs Ferguson is off. Mrs Eddisford, you have gone above and beyond to support the Year 1 staff.



4G - Lexi 5B - Christian 5G - Zizipho 6B - Raluca 6G - Sienna

School Admissions for Nursery



Primary school places for September 2024, closes in January.

Scan the QR Code to take you to the application form for starting starting Primary School (Nursery).



I work for the charity School-Home Support who know that the best way to get children into school is to tackle the challenges they are facing at home. I work alongside, but not for, school, to offer support to families with anything that may be affecting their child's education. I was raised in Ayrshire, Scotland and come from a large family of coal miners. My first teaching job brought me to Lancashire where I taught for many years before having my own two children and living and working for a time down in South Devon. As a family, we have moved around a lot and needed to lean on schools and external agencies for support ourselves at times so I know how hard it can be to reach out for support. I hope I can use my experiences to help others and help as many of you as possible. I'm really excited about developing my skills in this area and working with SHS and FCAT Family Support Teams to help improve the life chances of children, young people and their families in a new and different context. Hope to meet you soon!





We are introducing sign supported language across the school.



good Friend

Learning at Gateway

Nursery

What a busy two weeks we have had in Nursery. We have had a visitor in our classroom, who hasn't ben making the right choices. We caught her on CCTV and it was Goldilocks. The children made 'wanted' posters to help the Three Bears find her. To say sorry to the us and bears, Goldilocks left us some porridge to taste. It was delicious.

Year '

Year 1 have been completing their own versions of Owl Babies and next week we will be writing a fact file all about owls. In maths we have finished our work on numbers and we have sent some number cards home for children to continue practising as we move onto looking at 2D and 3D shapes next week.

Year 3

This week Year 3 have been enjoying exploring magnetism in Science. We have also enjoyed 'no pens day' on Wednesday where we were giving verbal instructions for our classmates to follow in our English lesson and exploring division by sharing into equal groups.

Year 5

This week, year 5 have had an amazing week of learning! We have started our independent write focusing on non chronological reports, we are becoming successful scientists; completing filtering experiments and we enjoyed no pen day by painting our images for our writing project. Keep up the good work year 5!

Reception

We have been learning all about Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We were shocked to discover Goldilocks had even visited our classroom! We created wanted posters and

wrote ingredients to make our own porridge. We have also worked hard on our Talk for Writing to learn the Goldilocks and the Three Bears poem. In maths, we have

looked at 3D shapes. We are super mathematicians and can use lots of tricky, mathematical language. We have been so

busy!



Year 2 have been writing their innovated version of 'Lost and Found'. Whilst in maths we have been exploring multiplication using arrays to show our caluculations and support finding the answer. In geography we have learned the location of the world's oceans discovering many intersesting facts along the way. Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 2 team if we can be of any help.

Year 4

This week, Year 4 have been experimenting with sound during out science lessons! The children are also working really hard to practice their Christingle service and we cannot wait.

Year 6

This week in year 6 we have had a great time celebrating no pens day and being more creative in our learning. We have also enjoyed learning about different units of measure in maths and continuing to write non chronological reports in English.





























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