

# Gateway Gossip Fortnightly

Dear Parents and Carers,

We no sooner leave one bank holiday to find ourselves ready for the next and of course the school holiday week follows on this time. Let's hope the weather improves!

The last few weeks have seen more outings for the children and today we have seen the Year 5 Eureka trip, so thanks to Mr McCormack and Mr Percival and the Year 5 team as well as the Year 3 assembly which was fabulous and a great end to the half term. Well done to Miss Mackie, Miss Pidgeley and the team.

Year 6 have all their SATs behind them now and it is a lovely feeling for the children and the staff. The celebration of McDonald's was well received too! Lots more to come for Year 6 as well and all other year groups from Years 2 - 6, as they will all be attending the Blackpool Circus performance in July so more to look forward to there! Many thanks to the Friends of Gateway (ex PTFA) for all of the fundraising last year that has paid for this experience. We are all very grateful for this.

Thank you all for the attendance levels in school. We have seen some improvements and some consistent percentages over 95% each week recently. Well done to Mrs Riley as well as all our parents for treating attendance with such priority; it really is very important that children are in school and on time ready to learn. Thank you for all the efforts by everyone concerned.

Goodbye to Miss Beegoo in Year 1 today as she leaves us for pastures new and welcome back to Miss Johnson who will rejoin Year 1 after her maternity leave. I am sure you will all welcome her back also.

In February all FCAT schools moved their IT management systems over to a company called Bromcom. This is more modern and has better capabilities. After half term we will be moving extra parts on to help with financial payment to schools and this will also include ways for you to update children's details, addresses etc and allow messages to come into school other than via the phone. To prepare, we need to know that all the email addresses we hold for you as parents are correct. The office will be undertaking an audit of this soon and we hope to go live in the second week back. More information to follow and I am sure you will find this new system much more useful and effective for you too.

Thank you for reading and I wish everyone a wonderful week off. Year 1 children, keep practising your phonics whilst we are off so you are all ready for the Phonic Screening Check. It will all be worth it! I wish you all a wonderful half term break and see you in June!

The year just flies by!  
With my very best wishes,  
Mrs Robinson



## Dates To Remember

Friday 24th May

School Closes for  
Half Term at 3.15pm.

Tuesday 4th June

Year 6 Trip.

WC Monday 17th June

Youth Games

Monday 3rd June

School Opens at  
8.45am

WC Monday 10th June

Phonics Screening  
Week.

Class Photo Day (10th)

Tuesday 18th June

Early Years Trip - details to  
follow.

Parent Forum

# Let's Celebrate!

## Core Award

N - Ava  
RB - Larisa  
1B - Archie  
1G - Logan  
2B - Bodie  
2G - Skyla-Rose  
3B - Andric  
3G - Terrence  
4B - Hope  
4G - Lance  
5B - Christian  
5G - David  
6S - Renee  
6B - Evie-Jo

## Our Awards 1B 3G 6B



## Star Award

N - Natalie  
RB - Meghan  
1B - Emmanuel  
1G - Riley-Jay  
2B - Ruby  
2G - Haleema  
3B -  
3G - Oliwia  
4B - Joshua  
4G - Oliver  
5B - Yasir  
5G - Karson  
6S - Ryan  
6B - Delia

## Reading Award

N - Suyosha  
RB - Jersey  
1B - Noah  
1G - Layla  
2B - Evie  
2G - Gabriella  
3B - Aaron  
3G - Miran  
4B - Jaffary  
4G - George  
5B - Cody  
5G - Kieran  
6S - Raluca  
6B - Charllie

## Staff Thank You

Mrs Smith for her commitment in the Year 6 SATs by adapting her working week to ensure the children had the support that they needed.

Year 2 for their leading role and feeding back in OPAL play. Their flexible use of staff to support the phase and their work in maths across the school.

**Well done  
to all our  
fantastic  
winners!**

N - Raluca  
RB - Tammy-Louise  
1B - Abdullah  
1G - Amelia  
2B - Ellie-May



## Headteacher Award

2G - Eden  
3B - Cole  
3G - Craig  
4B - Connor



4G - Maddison  
5B - Maisie  
5G - Riley-James  
6S - Daniel  
6B - Krystal



# Attendance

For great attendance every fortnight, children will be sent a postcard home. If you receive a post card, bring it in to school for a reward from Mrs Riley.

This week 12 children will receive a postcard.  
Good luck!



WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

As part of our Opal play project we will be collecting old wellies, waterproofs and small world toys. If you have anything you do not use at home - please send them in a plastic bag to school!

## Important Information Needed

To help us keep all our children safe, we ask that when sending someone new to pick up your child/ren you let the office or class staff/Gateway Extra staff know. This include all clubs. Please make sure you have a password set up. Thank you.

*Sign Of The Week*



We have introduced sign supported language across the school.  
Scan the QR Code to see a video of how to sign.

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# Learning at Gateway

## Nursery

Nursery have enjoyed learning the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and tasting all different kinds of fruit. We have been watching our caterpillars grow and turning into cocoons. We have started practising for our Graduation. What an amazing half term we have had. We hope you have a fantastic holiday. See you all on Monday 3rd June.

## Year 1

Y1 have had an amazing half term. We've been practicing hard for our phonics screening check and every single child has been a superstar. We've also been writing wanted posters for missing animals and kept practicing our numbers to 100!

## Year 3

Year 3 have had an amazing half term. We visited Turton towers to learn all about the Tudors and then put on a brilliant assembly based on what we learnt there. The children have also produce some wonderful diary entries based on Henry VIII.

## Year 5

Year 5 have had a fantastic half term! We have working really hard on our reasoning and problem solving in Maths, writing some amazing letters from the perspective of Stanley Yelnats from Holes and learned loads in our Living Things and their Habitats topic. We are looking forward to nicely rounding off the half term with our trip to Eureka Discovery.

## Reception

Reception have been retelling the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and exploring the minibeasts outside. The children have amazed us with their independent writing and number work. We celebrated World Bee Day and learnt all about how they play a vital role in our world. We hope you have a relaxing half term break!

## Year 2

Year 2 have had another amazing half term! We have enjoyed learning about Blackpool in the past and had an amazing trip to the Showtown museum - where you can visit for free if you are a Blackpool resident. Next half term we have some exciting events planned. The Year Two team hope you have a lovely half term break and we look forward to our last half term in Year Two when we return.

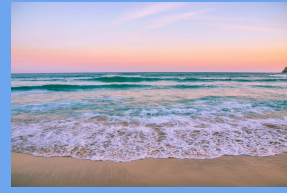
## Year 4

Year 4 have had a great few weeks. In Maths this week we have been exploring problem solving with money. The children have completed their independent writing of a diary entry based on Charlie and the Chocolate factory. We have also finish our artwork based on the artist Lindsay Taylor where children combined materials, drawing and printed pictures to create their own work. We are looking forward to our times table check in the first two weeks after half term so make sure they get some final practice in over the holidays on TTRS.

## Year 6

What a lovely half term we have had. We look forward to our last half term with our Year 6 pupils.

## Summer Term May to July 2024



Monday 3rd June - Return to school, Gates Open 8.45am

Tuesday 4th June - Year 6 trip at Go Ape (within school hours)

Monday 10th June - Tempest Class Photos

WB 17th June - Youth Games - Various Sports trips with various year groups.

Tuesday 18th June - Early Years Trip to Fleetwood (within school hours)  
Parent Forum 2.00pm -3.00pm

Tuesday 18th June - Parent Forum 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Wednesday 19th June - Parent Forum 9.00am -10.00am

Tuesday 25th June - KS2 Sports day - Time TBC weather permitting

Wednesday 26th June - KS1 Sports day - Time TBC weather permitting

Friday 5th July - Nursery Graduation 2.00pm

Thursday and Friday - 4th/5th July - Transition for Year 6 pupils to High School

WC 8th July - Transition for all pupils to their new classes with new teachers

Tuesday 9th July - Circus Trip Years 2 - 6

Wednesday 10th July - Early Years Assembly and a Stay and Play session - 9.05am - 10.15am

Thursday 11th July - Year 2 Marton Mere trip (within school hours)

Wednesday 17th July - Reports out to Parents

Thursday 18th July - Summer fair 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Friday 19th July - Y6 Performance - Morning and afternoon.

Monday 22nd July - 100% Attendance Party - 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Tuesday 23rd July - Year 6 Prom - 4.00pm - 5.30pm

Wednesday 24th July - Year 6 leavers assembly 9.15am - 10.45am

Parents Consultation evening 3.30-5.00pm

Thursday 25th July - School finishes for the academic school year at 2.00pm



# Nursery Sessions Available



**We have spaces available in our amazing Nursery!**

**We provide an all-inclusive, safe and caring environment for children aged 3 and 4 years old. We develop and learn through fun and creativity. Come and visit us to see.**

**Call 01253 402936 and speak to Miss Makinson.**

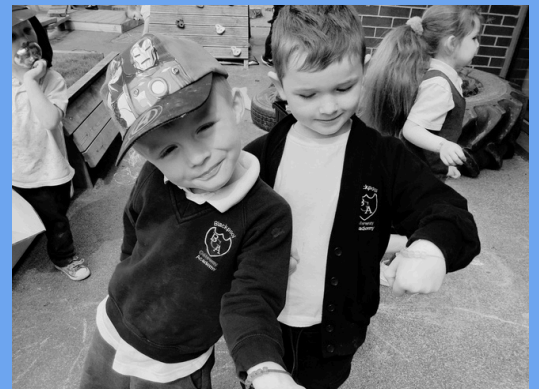
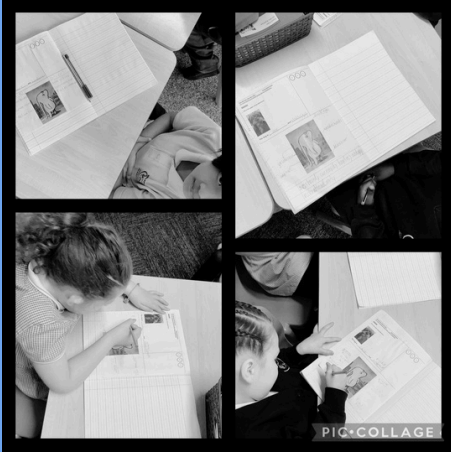


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# Our Pictures



**Have a lovely half term.** School Website



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