

Gateway Gossip



Dear Parents and Carers,

21st May 2021

I hope you have felt the benefit of the restrictions of the Covid rules as of 17th May 2021. Please stay safe as we know some of the positive results in the area have increased.

Another busy week in Gateway Academy, hopefully you will have seen the new signage outside of school, kindly donated to the Freemasons charity. We are very grateful for their attempts to help with safeguarding our children and keeping the boundary areas of school as safe as possible. Please see the additional newsletter extra for more details and hopefully you saw the Gazette article. Grateful thanks to parent Faye Morton-Calvert for her video contribution and a range of fabulous Gateway children including Head Boy and Girl who spoke so well about their concerns around parking issues. .

Thanks to all for your donations from last Friday towards Jordan's charity. We raised an amazing £383.55, which was very generous indeed. Thank you!

This week we have received free ASDA laptops and additional items so we hope to feature in the Gazette again. Fabulous community generosity and the children will benefit enormously. We have sent a thankyou to ASDA and look forward to using the devices.

You will be pleased to hear that last week we appointed some staff to permanent contracts so a big welcome to Mr Snelling, Miss Unsworth and Miss Johnson who join Gateway Academy in September as fixed features! They have shown great commitment all year round and will be an asset next year also.

On Monday we welcome two new staff. Mrs Tyler-Arowsmith joins us as Assistant Headteacher and Mrs Parr will be heading up the office as Business Support Manager so look out for the new faces. I am sure they will be very happy joining our Gateway community.

We have one week to go before we break for half term. Please ensure children are in school each day. We welcome back the Year 4 team and children also on Monday. Let's push forward with that last week of attendance and quality teaching and learning and let's hope the sun shines.

Have an enjoyable weekend all! Stay safe and take good care.

With my very best wishes,
Mrs Robinson

Dates To Remember

Friday 28th May

Break up for 1 week

Monday 7th June

School open

Monday 21st June

Nursery Graduation Picture Day

WC 5th July

Healthy/active week

Monday 5th July

Dan the Skipping Man

Years 1, 2, and 3.

Tuesday 6th July

Pro-Strike event

Wednesday 7th July

Sports Day

Friday 9th July

Street Dance for Years

4, 5 and 6.

Our Core Values



Nursery Places Available

We currently have places available in our Nursery (3 – 4 year old). Please contact the school office for further details.



Let's Celebrate!

Well done to all our winners!

Attendance

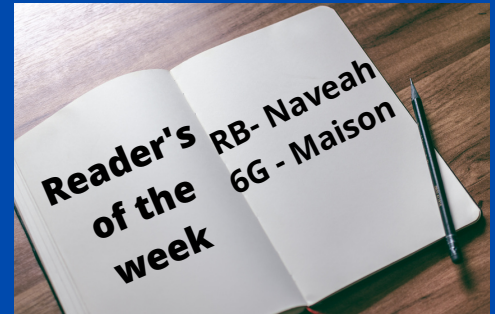
Class winners
this week
are ..

RB
99.4%

3G
99.5%

100% WINNER

N - Jayden
 RB - Hunter
 RG - Kuba
 1B - Libby
 1G - Oliver
 2B - Jacob
 2G - Awa
 3B - Makenzie
 3G - Lola
 5B - Jamie
 5G - Sky
 6B - Ruby
 6G - Tia



Staff Shoutout!



Miss Wellings for working hard to make sure all the children complete their handwriting and RWI group work!



Nurture Team

Congratulations to Mr Snelling, Miss Unsworth and Miss Johnson on securing a permanent teaching position in our school. They have proven to be nurturing, caring teachers and we are thankful and excited to have them commit to Blackpool Gateway Academy.

Star Award

N - Layla-Rose
 RB - Miray
 RG - Lucy
 1B - Kacie
 1G - Harry
 2B - Wade
 2G - Tati
 3B - David-Gabriel
 3G - Ruluca
 Year 4 - All our home learners
 5B - Kayden
 5G - Susan
 6B - Georgie
 6G - Riley

Attendance Award

RB - Oliwia
 RG - Romeo
 1B - Connor
 1G - Tamara
 2B - Ryan
 2G - Bailey

Core Award

N - Tore
 RB - Amelia
 RG - Dylan
 1B - Sebastian
 1G - Oliver
 2B - Natasha
 2G - Layton
 3B - Layton-Jack
 3G - Violet
 Year 4 - All our home learners
 5B - Alexa
 5G - Neon-Chase
 6B - Julia
 6G - Lexi-May

House Teams

*Weekly
Winners!*

King



Newton

Earheart

Curie



Meet our new friends!

These are our 'Road Safety Buddies!'

With thanks to a very kind and generous donation by the West Lancashire Freemasons Charity - we have been able to purchase these traffic reminders to display at key times of the day to keep everybody safe!

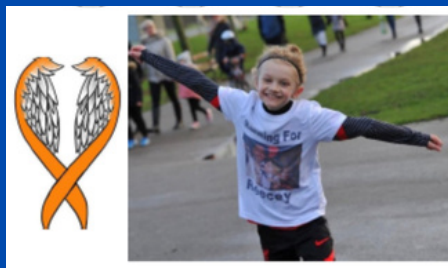


Our Road Safety buddies will be placed by our gates at drop off and pick up times to ensure the safety of our families.



Thank you for all your donations for Jordan Banks.

What an amazing amount raised! Great team, BGA community!



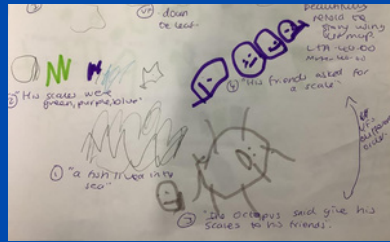
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Gateway's Amazing Learning!

Nursery and Reception

This week in Reception we have been enjoying learning all about capacity - we have had lots of fun investigating which containers hold the most and least amounts. We have been using lots of new language such as full, half full and empty. The children have had lots of fun exploring this in our outside area too! In PE we have been learning to develop our invasion games skills such as throwing and catching and even moving into a space - I definitely think we have some future Olympic stars in our midst!

In Nursery the children have been practicing their positional language - look out for the children talking about on top, behind and next too. Also a gentle reminder about Nursery Graduation photos on 21st June - what a wonderful reminder that will be of their Nursery time I can not wait to see them all dressed up!



Year 1 and 2

This week in Year 1, we have continued to learn about plants and the different parts that make a plant. We have also selected some fantastic work that we have put up on our working wall. In Year 2, we have been learning about Islam and how Muslims feel a sense of belonging through prayer and visiting the Mosque. We then looked at our own lives and picked out the different things in our life that help us feel like we belong.



Year 3 and 4

This week in Year 3 we have been learning about dragons.

We got a very exciting letter from a dragon magazine asking us to write about a Thunder Dragon! We thought about where a Thunder Dragon might live and what it might look like. We can't wait to send it off! In Science we found out how soil is formed and tested BGA soil, clay, sandy, and chalky loam soil. We added water and are watching them over the next few days. In DT we had great fun painting our volcanoes, they are nearly finished!

This week in Year 4 has been a week of isolation and home learning! It has been great to see so many pupils online as we did some writing together based on a machine we designed - 'the parent-pleaser'! We've also had good fun in between our learning with some fun online games: scavenger hunts, word games, music quizzes, hangman. In reading, we have spent the week looking at different poems and found some excellent new vocabulary! All that being said, we are looking forward to

Monday!

Have a lovely weekend!

Year 5 and 6

The children in Y6 have had a very busy week! They have shown great maturity with their assessments where they have had a go at the 2019 SATs paper. In art, they have been designing their own wire sculptures using trees as their inspiration - they are looking amazing! And in Science, they have researched Charles Darwin and created a report all about his theory of evolution. Y5 have been discussing whether school uniforms should be banned as they learn how to write a discussion text and have been designing and making their own European souvenir! Lots of fantastic learning going on across Y5 and 6 - well done everyone!