



The Gusford Gazette

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The Year 3 and 4 'Big Sing'

The Year 3 and 4 children have been taking part in 'The Big Sing' this week they put on two great shows on Monday and Tuesday afternoon and by popular demand, performed a third time for the rest of the school on Thursday. It was brilliant! Thank you Y3 & 4.



Awareness Days and Whole School Diary Dates

Monday 15th April. **Start of Summer Term.**

Friday 19th April. **Year 3 Bressingham Trip.**

Monday 22nd April. **Bluey Club trip to Felixstowe.**

Tuesday 23rd April. **St George's Day.** Wear red and white (or club uniforms). No donation just celebration.

Year 4 Residential to Norfolk Lakes. 8th to 10th May.

Week beginning Monday 13th May. **KS2 SATs.**

Year 6 Residential to Hilltop. 3rd to 5th June.

Oliver Twist. Friday 7th June 2024.

Friday 21st June-**Suffolk County Day** (wear something connected to Suffolk). No donation just celebration.

Sports Days

Nursery and Reception - Monday 1st July 1015-1145am

Years 5 and 6 - Tuesday 2nd July 1.30pm

Years 3 and 4 - Wednesday 3rd July 1.30pm

Years 1 and 2 - Thursday 4th July 1.30pm

Visiting Circus. July 6th. On the school field. Shows at 1.00pm and 2.30pm.

Year 5 and 6 Performance. Monday 9th July at 2.00pm and Tuesday 10th July at 6.00pm. Ticket details to follow.

Go-kart Festival. Saturday 13th July. 10.00am-12.00pm.

Y6 BBQ. Thursday 18th July. 5.30pm-7.00pm.

Last day of term. Friday 19th July.

Good Bye

Mr Minter is leaving us at Easter. He has worked at the school for 8 years and done a super job. We will all miss him. Thank you Mr Minter and good luck.

Attendance Matters

This week's attendance was 94.9% (let's round it up...) and 6GS had 99.1% attendance. Congratulations.

WEEK ONE		Menu				
15/04/2024 06/05/2024 03/06/2024 24/06/2024 15/07/2024 02/09/2024 23/09/2024 14/10/2024	Option One	NEW Vegetable Stack with Rice 	Penne Bolognaise 	Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Curry with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad 	Vegan Penne Bolognaise 	Vegan Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 	Vegetable Curry with Rice	BBQ Quorn with Chips 
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Chocolate Sponge	Apple Crumble with Ice Cream 	NEW Berry Mousse	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Vanilla Shortbread 



After the amazing success of last week's Saturday School, we have decided to organise a 'Sharing is Caring' long division workshop on Good Friday (29th March) at 10.30am. Just click on the link below and I'll say hello to you before we start the session.

Did you see Mr Minter's egg? He put it in a jam jar, covered it in vinegar and left it for 24 hours. When we looked at it the next morning the shell had disappeared and it felt like a very soft bouncy ball.

'As the sun set' is the subordinate clause.






10,000 fans went to watch the ladies football match at Portman Road last Saturday. It was great fun! You can see some of the photos of our children at the match on FB and Twitter.

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Mr Webber and the Eco-Committee say thanks to everyone who took part in 'The Big Plastic Count' this month. We had over 70 households submit results and many more took part in counting plastic. Please see our school footprint attached. More eco awareness projects to come.

**THE BIG
PLASTIC
COUNT**
15-17 MARCH

Fiddle toys can be really useful for some children in class. We have lots in school. Please let our SENDCo and our team decide if it is useful for your child in class; used incorrectly, they can distract learning, rather than help with concentration. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Spring Summer 2024	GUSFORD	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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	Dessert	Chocolate Sponge	Apple Crumble with Ice Cream	NEW Berry Mousse	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Vanilla Shortbread
WEEK TWO 22/04/2024 13/05/2024 10/06/2024 01/07/2024 09/09/2024 30/09/2024 21/10/2024	Option One	Pasta Kitchen Cheese and Tomato Pasta or Tomato Pasta with Toppings	Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Fishfingers or Salmon Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	 Vegetables of the Day	Vegan Burger with Potato Wedges & Tomato Sauce	Vegetable Wellington, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	NEW Vegan Sausage Roll with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	NEW Chocolate Brownie	NEW Iced Biscuit	Peaches and Ice Cream	Jelly with Mandarins	Oaty Cookie
WEEK THREE 29/04/2024 20/05/2024 17/06/2024 08/07/2024 16/09/2024 07/10/2024	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	Sausage Rolls with Potato Wedges	Roast Gammon, with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Fajitas with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Vegetable cous cous	Vegan rolls with Potato Wedges	Vegan Sausages with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Fajitas with Rice	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips
	Vegetables	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day
	Dessert	Fruit with Ice Cream	Syrup Snap Biscuit	Summer Lemon Cake	Flapjack	Chocolate Cookie
MENU KEY		 Added Plant Power	 Wholemeal	 Vegan	 Chef's Special	ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.
Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings - Bread freshly baked on site daily- Daily salad selection						

Girls' Football

On Tuesday afternoon, we took two Girls' Football teams to a tournament in Ipswich. Mr Garwood said they were stars and were wonderful ambassadors for the school. Well done footballers.

Have you seen the Easter Bunny?



Easter Challenge

Can you use Easter egg boxes to make a marble run?



Reading Books

Here are some really great books that are recommended for primary aged children. You can get them from the library, Dial Lane bookshop (which is well worth a visit) or Amazon.

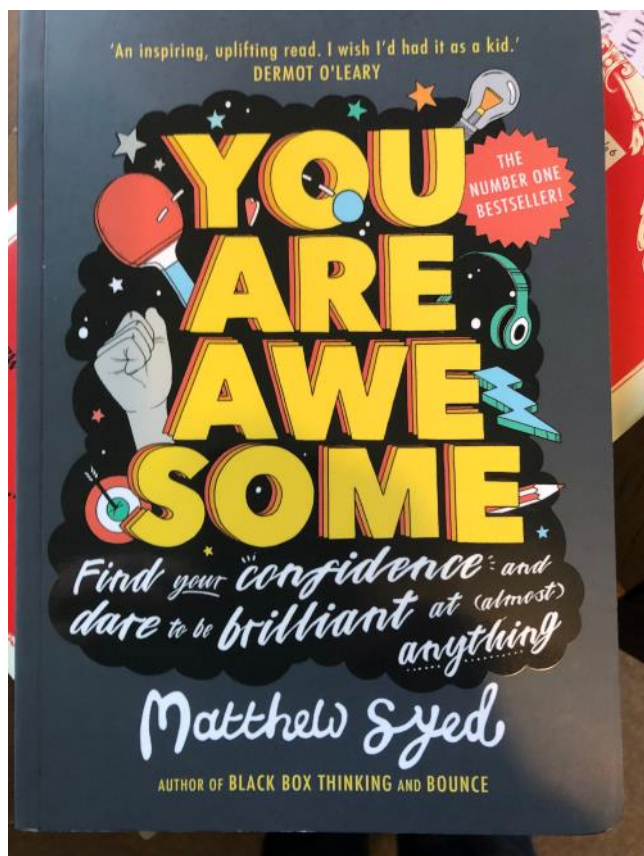
[Reading ideas](#)

Learning your tables

When I was in ten years old I decided I was going to learn my times tables once and for all. I wrote them all out, decorated them (in my case with footballs) and stuck them on the back of the toilet door!

You Are Awesome (by Matthew Syed)

What a brilliant book! Great for all children. Lots of practical examples of growth mindset. Dial Lane Bookshop have started a project which aims to supply all Year 6 children in Ipswich with a copy.



Chantry Academy's PD dates 24-25

2nd September 2024
3rd September 2024
6th January 2025
22nd April 2025
21st July 2025
22nd July 2025

Please note our term dates are on the school website.

<https://gusfordprimary.net/termdates>

Year 5 Open Evening Chantry Academy

This is a chance for Year 5 Parents to visit Chantry Academy with their children on Thursday 25th April at 5.00pm.

Parents on site (start and end of the day)

I love meeting parents at the start and the end of the day. It's great to get to know a little more about you and the children. However, the playgrounds are busy and it is vitally important that we all set a good example to the children in terms of both behaviour and language. Swearing and any threats of violence will not be tolerated and a ban from the school premises may follow. Please note if you have an issue with another parent it is best to talk to a member of school staff. This is the best way of resolving the situation as it takes out the emotional element that parents quite understandably feel if their children are involved. Your support in this matter is much appreciated.

Easter Message

Have a happy and safe holiday. The school is open most of the holiday so if you need help or support in any way, please pop in and someone will point you in the right direction. Happy Easter and see you again on Monday 15th April.

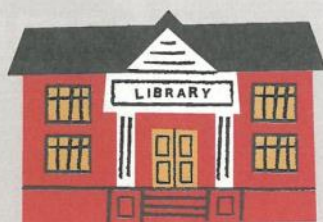


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Chantry Library

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IP2 0QY**



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Printing, photocopying and
laminating services.

Free computer use available

Library opening hours

Monday: 14:00 - 17:00

Tuesday: 10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 18:00

Wednesday: 10:00 - 13:00

Thursday: 10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 18:00

Friday: 10:00 - 13:00 14:00 - 17:00

Saturday: 9:30 - 13:00 14:00 - 17:00

Sunday: 10:00 - 16:00

Out-of-Hours book return available

Dyer's Diner & Coffee Shop

Opening Hours

Monday: 8:30 - 15:00

Tuesday: 8:30 - 15:00

Wednesday: 8:30 - 14:30

Thursday: 8:30 - 15:00

Friday: 8:30 - 14:30

Saturday: 9:30 - 13:00

Sunday: CLOSED



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What's On

Adult

Monday

Bingo: 14:30 - 15:30

Men's group: 18:00 - 20:00

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Wednesday

Top Time 55 Alive: 10:30 - 11:30

Waiting list to join

Chantry Crochet Group: 12:15 - 14:15
(Except last week of month, then Friday)

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Thursday

Cancer Support Group: 14:30 - 16:30
(First Thursday of the Month)

Adult Crafting: 14:00 - 16:00

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Friday

Book Group - 14:00 - 15:00
(First Friday of the month)

M-Powered: 14:30 - 15:30
(Third Friday of the month)

Families & children

Tuesday

Little Explorers: 10:30 - 12:00

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Thursday

Wordplay: 10:00 - 10:45

Lego & board games: from 15:30
Age 8+

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Friday

Stay & Play for under 5's:
10:30 - 11:30

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Saturday

Stay & Play for dad's and
male carers: 10:00 - 12:00

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Sunday

Funky Junk Crafts 10:00 - 14:00

Warm Spaces 10:00 - 16:00
Free Tea & Coffee



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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about CLICKBAIT

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Clickbait is a controversial online marketing strategy which uses sensationalist (and frequently misleading) headlines to encourage engagement with an article, image or video – often playing on users' emotions and curiosity, while much of the actual content is of questionable accuracy. Clickbait is also sometimes used to disguise scams, phishing sites and malware.

HARMFUL MISINFORMATION

Clickbait tends to play fast and loose with the truth, opting for eye-catching content over objectivity. This is particularly dangerous for younger internet users, who are generally more susceptible to that type of material. A child could be presented with fake news, misleading articles and – in some cases – outright lies without fully understanding what they're viewing and why it's harmful.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Due to the misleading nature of many examples of clickbait, what may seem to be innocuous and child friendly could actually contain age-inappropriate material such as extremist political views or violent, pornographic or sexually explicit content. This is clearly a hazard for young people, who could be upset, disturbed or influenced by exposure to such subject matter.

HIDDEN MALWARE

While most clickbait is simply trying to promote engagement to earn companies additional revenue, some of it does redirect to dubious sites with the potential to infect devices with viruses or malware. This could put a child's sensitive data – such as their name, their location and their date of birth – at risk of being accessed and exploited by malicious hackers.

PRIVACY PROBLEMS

Some clickbait leads to sites which could coax a child into volunteering their personal data – using pop-ups to ask them for their email address and phone number, for example, in exchange for accessing additional content or subscribing to various services. Normally, this harvested information is then sold to third parties, who often utilise it for targeted adverts and other sales schemes.

A DRAINING DISTRACTION

Clickbait encourages spiralling consumption of online content, which could easily result in a young person spending hours scrolling aimlessly instead of doing something productive or interacting with family and friends. This can leave them tired, asocial and lacking focus – and, in the long term, can negatively impact their social skills, education and mental wellbeing.

IMPACT ON BEHAVIOUR

Depending on the type of clickbait a child is interacting with, you might notice negative changes in their behaviour. Weight loss scams, for example, are common among clickbait and have the potential to influence eating habits and body image – while deliberately inflammatory 'rage bait' articles can leave impressionable young people feeling irritable, restless or argumentative.

Advice for Parents & Educators

START A CONVERSATION

The sheer volume of clickbait can make protecting children against it quite challenging. It's vital to talk to young people regularly about the types of content they encounter online, so that they understand the risks of engaging with clickbait. If you're still concerned, it may also be wise to keep an eye on children's online activity to ensure they're not being tempted by clickbait headlines.

PROMOTE CRITICAL THINKING

Encouraging children to question the legitimacy of sensational headlines and too-good-to-be-true promises will help them to become savvier online – and far less likely to be drawn in by clickbait content. These critical thinking skills will also serve to protect them in other areas of the digital world where misinformation is becoming increasingly common.

SPOT THE TELLTALE SIGNS

There are certain common elements in clickbait, including headlines and images that use shock and outrage to grab people's attention – as well as numbered lists, such as '8 Facts You Won't Believe Are True'. Some clickbait combines several of these tactics to snag users' interest. Learn to recognise these techniques for yourself so you can teach children to notice them as well.

TAKE CONTROL

Many parents opt to place limits on how long their children can spend online each day, which obviously reduces the chance of exposure to clickbait. Alternatively, most internet-enabled devices have built-in controls that allow parents to manage what sort of online content their child can access – including filtering by age, which can screen out a percentage of inappropriate material.

Meet Our Expert

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