



The Gusford Gazette

This week's attendance is 94.9% The class with the highest attendance is 5SI with 99.6%

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St. George's Day

It was great to see all the children dressed up on St George's Day. Thank you for your support.



School History

We have been finding out about the [history](#) of Gusford. Click on the link to find out more. If you have any old photos, clippings or memories then please let us know.

Beat the Street

We 'Beat the Street'- we actually came third and Libby popped into our assembly this afternoon to give us our certificate. Thank you Libby.



Awareness Days and Whole School Diary Dates

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

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

Year 3 and Year 4 VR Experience. 20th and 21st May.

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

Oliver Twist. Friday 7th June.

Year 1 trip to Framlingham Castle. 10th June.

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

Sports Days

Nursery & 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 2 trip to Southwold. 9th July.

Year 5 and 6 Performance. Wednesday 10th July at 6.00pm. and Thursday 11th July at 2.00pm 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.

Bluey Club Trip to Felixstowe

On Tuesday, we took our Bluey Club children; children whose parents are in the Forces, to Felixstowe. The children were very well behaved (and so were most of the parents...) We had a great time and it was a pleasure to spend the day with them.

Woodland Trust

The hedging plants and tree saplings that we planted in our Forest area are starting to show. Very exciting.



School Disco

Three great discos on Tuesday, organised by Friends of Gusford (FOG) and supported by our Staff. Children were so well behaved, no litter, very polite and great fun! Thank you everyone. Proud to belong to Gusford.

Home Time

Please can you encourage the children to go home at the end of the day. We like the fact that parents chat but we don't want the children playing football on the astro or playing on the trim-trail. We are still responsible for the children on the premises but can't supervise them on these activities at the end of the day. Thank you.

Bank Holiday

Please note Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday (no school).

SATS Week

Year 6 SATs (Government tests) take place week beginning Monday 13th May. Please encourage your child to come to the Year 6 Breakfast Club.

Do you know the difference between a synonym and an antonym?

synonym: a word or phrase that means exactly or nearly the same as another word or phrase

antonym: a word opposite in meaning

Dear Parents/Carers

Gusford would like to ask you to encourage your child to have a school meal on **Thursday 16th May** as it is Census Day. This benefits the school for the whole academic year. We are serving **Fish fingers and chips or Jacket Potato with cheese/beans, followed by Vanilla Shortbread or Fresh fruit salad**, as well as our ever popular 'ham roll - pick and mix' in order to appeal to as many children as possible.

For every infant child (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) that has a school meal on **Thursday 16th May**, the school will receive government funding to pay for provision of universal free school meals for infant pupils. Because our funding is based on the number of meals taken on census days, if our numbers are low the school will not receive enough funding to match the actual costs of providing meals throughout the year, and this will mean we have to use other school money for this purpose. Please support the school by encouraging your child to have a school meal on this day, even if they don't normally have school meals.

School meals are free for infant pupils so it will cost parents nothing to support the school in this way. Junior meals cost £2.40, unless your child is eligible for free school meals. It will also help our funding if our junior pupils who are eligible for free school meals have a school dinner on census day.

Kind regards

Gusford School Office

Music of the Month - April

Nina Simone



- Nina Simone was an American singer who became famous in the 1950s.
- She was very musically talented and started to teach herself the piano when she was 3 years old.
- She became famous not only because she was a brilliant pianist but also due to her unique and beautiful voice.
- She became very good at the piano and did a solo performance when she was 11 years old. At the performance, her parents sat at the front to see her play but were moved to the back because they were black. Nina refused to start playing until her parents were moved back to their original seats.

Writing Share Sessions

We have started a new writing scheme, 'The Write Stuff' and would like to invite you into school to see it in action. There will be a short presentation on how to support writing at home before time in classrooms with your children. We hope that you can join us!

Nursery - Monday 13th May 10:30 - 11:30am

Reception - Monday 13th May 2:15 - 3:15pm

Year 1 and 2 - Thursday 16th May 2:15 - 3:15pm

Year 3 and 4 - Thursday 23rd May 2:15 - 3:15pm

Year 5 and 6 - Tuesday 21st May 2:15 - 3:15pm



Gusford Summer 1

Science Heroes

Year 1 - Beatrix Potter (1866 - 1943)



Beatrix Potter was an English writer, illustrator, natural scientist and conservationist. She is very well known for writing *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* but she was also interested in mycology, the study of fungi.

Year 2 - Agnes Arber (1879 - 1960)

Agnes Arber was a British botanist and plant morphologist (somebody who studies the physical form of plants). She introduced the idea of the partial shoot theory in which each part of the plant is either a shoot or a partial shoot.



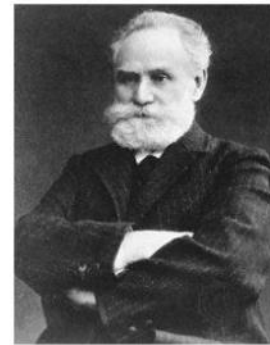
Year 3 - Joseph Banks (1743 - 1820)



Joseph Banks was an English botanist who publicly supported scientific exploration and oversaw many voyages. He was the first person to introduce the Western world to acacia, mimosa and eucalyptus.

Year 4 - Ivan Pavlov (1849 - 1936)

Ivan Pavlov was a Russian neurologist and physiologist. He discovered classical conditioning which is how we develop our emotional responses to people and events.



Year 5 - David Attenborough (1926)



David Attenborough is a British biologist and natural historian. He is very famous for making documentaries about natural history and has many species named after him.

Year 6 - Leonardo Da Vinci (1452 - 1519)

Leonardo Da Vinci was an Italian artist, engineer and scientist who made scientific investigations into anatomy, zoology and the science of flight. He created many inventions including a flying machine, a parachute and a revolving bridge.



Nature is the source of all true knowledge. She has her own logic, her own laws, she has no effect without cause nor invention without necessity. Leonardo Da Vinci

Philip Procter from GBS Ipswich

GBS have very kindly donated 2 wooden thrones for our new woodland area. How amazing are these...they will be used by pupils across the school. Thank you so much GBS!



Spring Summer 2024	GUSFORD	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 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 🌱
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	THE PASTA KITCHEN 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	
Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings - Bread freshly baked on site daily- Daily salad selection						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.
						caterlink feeding the imagination

A Blue Peter Badge

A bit like a 'Blue Peter Badge', message the school and tell us about a special/interesting activity you have undertaken and you could be awarded with a unique and stylish badge under one of the following categories:

1. Performing arts (dance, learning a poem, debating)
2. Sport (being active)
3. Sustainability (looking after the environment)
4. Learning (reading, writing, science, maths, art)
5. Caring for others
6. Music (singing, instruments)



In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

Current trends – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

Understanding the Risks – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

What can you do? – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

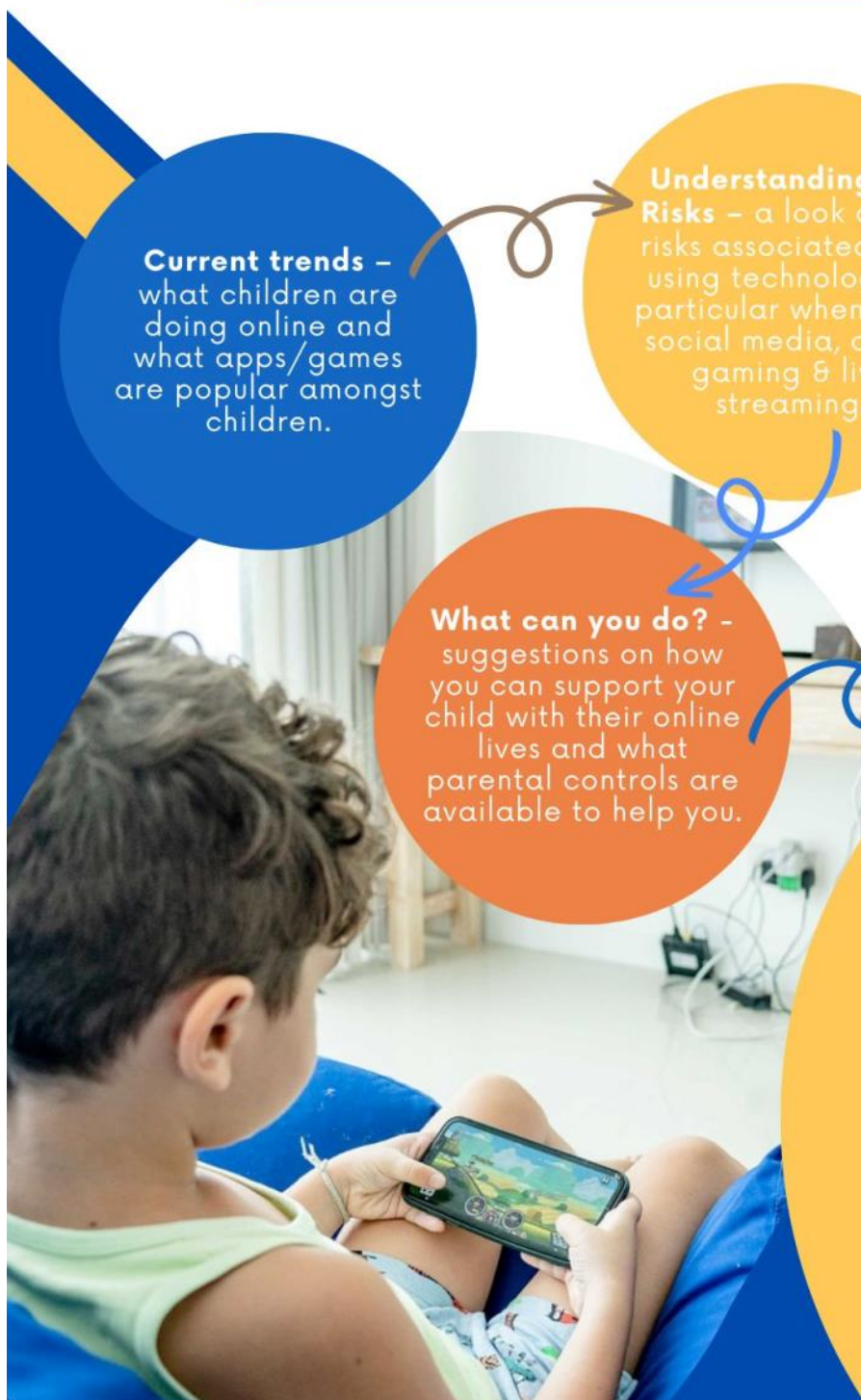
Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
8TH MAY
2024**

4PM – 4.45PM



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SUFFOLK ADULT LEARNING



Science Workshop

A free Science workshop in
Gusford Primary School,
based on the theme of Time

For parents/grandparents
and carers and their children

Monday 3rd June
1.30 - 3 pm

Would you like to:

- make and test a water clock?
- create a sundial?
- cheat gravity and try to make things fall more slowly?
- investigate how long a minute actually is?

All resources provided.

TO BOOK A PLACE, PLEASE EMAIL:

admin@gusfordprimary.net

or return this flier to the school
office with your name and your
child's name and class written on
the back