



The Gusford Gazette

This week's attendance is 94.1% and 100% for 6GS.

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We had an amazing day on Friday. Thank you so much for all your support. It was great to be able to welcome back Mark Ashton (CEO ITFC) the day before, possibly the most important match in the history of the club. He is so supportive of the school and the local community. It felt like we really were one big team. The BBC and ITV popped in, the fabulous DJ RamZ smashed it and a group of the children have been invited to appear on 'Kids Talk' with Wayne Bavin (BBC Radio Suffolk Breakfast Show) next week. You can see some of the 'scenes' (and oh my goodness, they were scenes) on our Twitter page: [@GusfordPrimary](https://twitter.com/GusfordPrimary) COYBs!



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.

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.

Bank Holiday

Please note Monday 6th May is a Bank Holiday (no school). Back on Tuesday. As normal.



Gardening Club

First bed weeded, composted and planted. Carrots, radishes and tomatoes. The children were fantastic in the lovely warm weather. Everyone will get a chance to use the garden when it is finished.



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.

You Are Awesome

We've just received a £100 Waterstones voucher for finishing third in 'Beat the Street'. Thank you and well done everyone. We've ordered 10, 'You Are Awesome' books by Matthew Syed. We'll put 2 in the library, 3 in the book cabinet, one in each Year 6 class and use two as prizes.

Can you change one proper noun to a pronoun to make this sentence flow?

Yesterday, Mark Ashton visited Gusford, Mark Ashton kindly donated a shirt to the school.

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

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 Bolognese 🌍	Sausages, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Curry with Rice	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce
	Option Two	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad 🌱	Vegan Penne Bolognese 🌱	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	NEW 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 🌱	NEW 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	NEW 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 🌱	NEW 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 🌱	NEW Summer Lemon Cake 🌱	Flapjack 🌱	NEW 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.

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

Are you worried about how they are feeling?

DECREASING DEPRESSION FREE TALK



May 14th 7-8pm

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE gives a one hour online talk explaining what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk go to **PARENT** page

[Chantry Grasshoppers Football Club](#) and looking for Girls to join our weekly "Weetabix Wildcats" sessions at Bourne Park paddling pool end, Ipswich IP2 8LU every Saturday morning from 9-10am. Girls aged 5-11+ of all abilities are welcome to come along to our sessions. Please contact me [Nick Ward](#) on 07801968655 or email froggernelaine@aol.com for additional information.



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:

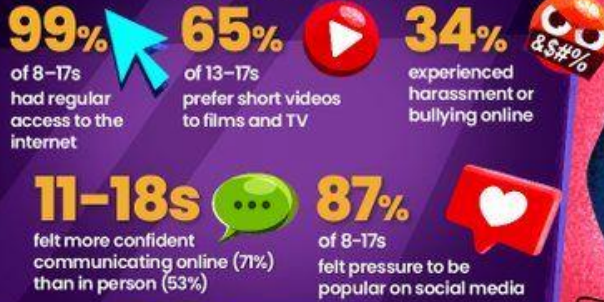
1. Performing arts (dance, learning a poem, debating)
2. Sport (being active)
3. Sustainability (looking after the environment)
4. Learning (reading, writing, science, maths, art)
5. Caring for others
6. Music (singing, instruments)



What Parents & Educators Can Learn from the OFCOM MEDIA REPORT 2024

Each year, Ofcom – the UK’s regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents’ media experiences over the course of the previous year. At the time of writing, the latest of these reports, ‘Children and parents: media use and attitudes 2024’ has just been published, and we’ve plucked out some of its most thought-provoking findings regarding online safety.

ONLINE LIVES



SCREEN TIME

By children’s age group, the percentage of parents who felt less able to manage their child’s screentime were ...



POPULAR PLATFORMS

Most used by children ...

Under-12s



Over-12s



ONLINE GAMING

68% of children played video games online

Who did these children most commonly play with?



PARENTAL CONCERNS

The things that most commonly worry parents and carers about their child being online include ...



ONLINE SAFETY IN SCHOOLS



DEVICES MOST USED TO GO ONLINE



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at nationalcollege.com/guides/media-use-and-attitudes-report-2024

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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.

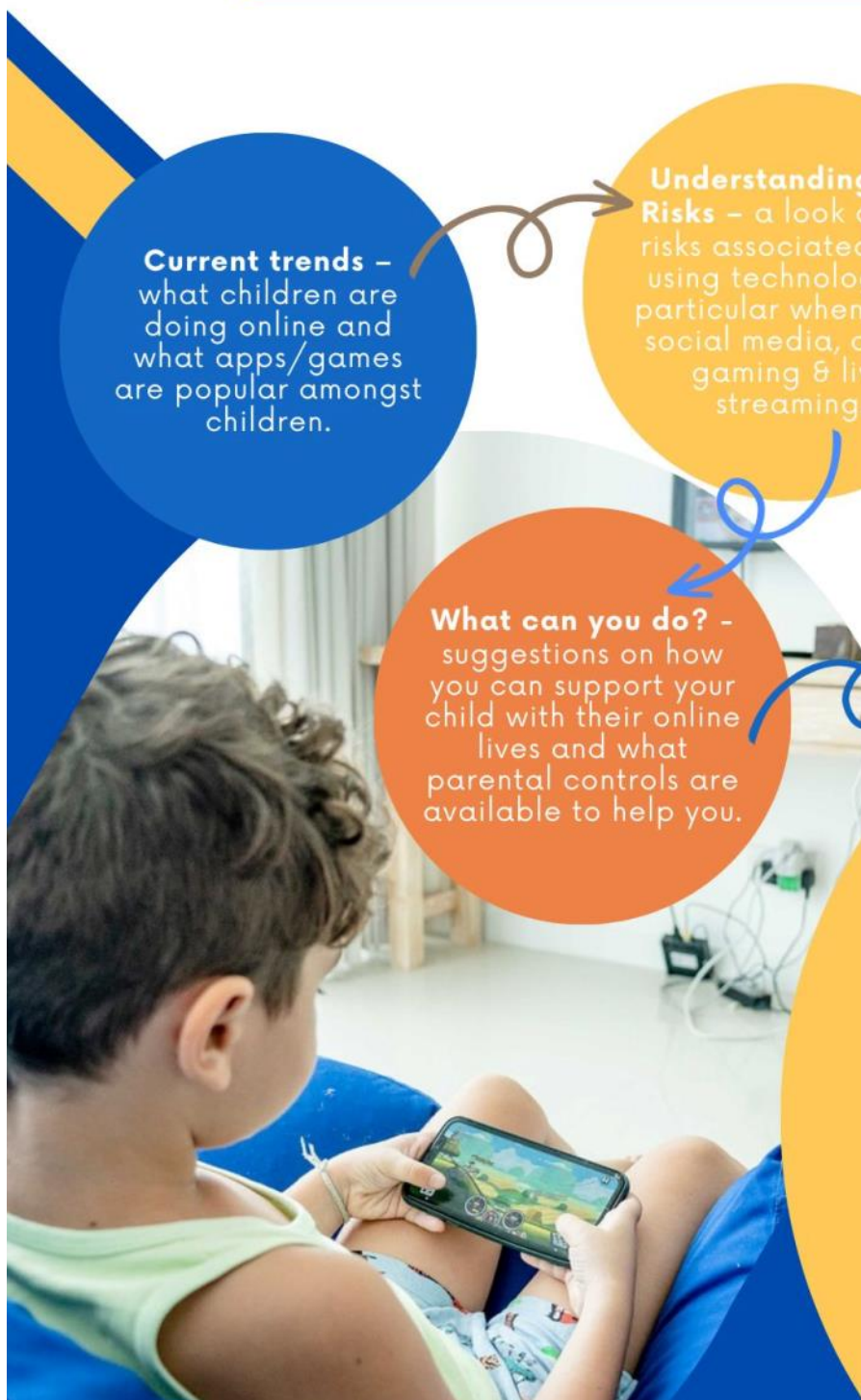
Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
8TH MAY
2024**

4PM – 4.45PM



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City Learning Centres





Education & Skills
Funding Agency

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