

# The Gusford Gazette

We break up on Friday 24th October and return on Monday 3rd November.

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#### Year 6 at Walton

On Tuesday, our Year 6 went to Walton on the Naze. They learnt about the tides, erosion and waves. They also found lots of sea glass!



#### Flag Design Winner

We have chosen a winner for our flag design competition. We will get this made into a flag. Well done Harrison F.



#### **Gusford Diary Dates**

#### **Open Sessions**

Wednesday 22nd October 10.15-11.15am Tuesday 11th November 5.00-6.00pm Thursday 4th December 1.45-2.45pm

**End of Term 1.** Friday 24th October. We return on Monday 3rd November.

**Halloween Trail.** Sunday 26th October to Saturday 1st November.

Beauty and the Beast Panto. Friday 21st November.

Children in Need Day. Friday 21st November.

**Year 1 & 2 Alice in Wonderland Theatre Trip.** Tuesday 2nd December

**Carols from Gusford.** Thursday 4th December. 6.30pm. Stoke Park Church.

Santa Fun Run. Sunday 7th December 9.30am on school field

**Bluey and SYC Alice in Wonderland**. Tuesday 9th December

Christmas Lunch Wednesday 10th December

Christmas Jumper Day. Friday 12th December

ITFC Blue Day (non-uniform). Friday 19th December

Find Santa.com. Sunday 21st December. Santa mug hunt

**End of Term 2.** Friday 19th December. We return on Tuesday 6th January

### January Photography Competition 'Winter Watch'

All entries by 31st January.

**EYFS** 

KS1

Y3/4

Y5/6

Send in your photos and we'll put then on FB.

#### **Bikeability**

Group 1 26th to 29th January Group 2 2nd to 5th February

















#### **Holidays in Term Time**

Please note all holidays in term time will be followed by a fine. This is national policy. The fines go to Suffolk County Council and not the school.

#### Admissions

To apply for a place in Reception or Year 7 in Suffolk, visit the <u>Suffolk County Council admissions website</u> at www.suffolk.gov.uk/ admissions, where you can complete an online application, find information, FAQs, and a list of the schools' admissions policies and Supplementary Information Forms (SIFs). For secondary school (Year 7), the closing date for applications is **Friday, October 31, 2025**.

#### Halloween Trail

Starting on Sunday 26th October you can try out our Halloween Trail. Send me a photo and I'll enter you into the Halloween raffle which I'll draw the Sunday before we return. First Prize £20, second prize £10 and third prize a box of frogs. Use the answer sheet attached, pick one up from the front office or make your own...Spooktastic!

#### Find Santa.com

Sunday 21st December.

I will hide 6 Santa mugs in and around Chantry, Stoke and Pinewood. They could be anywhere...Starting at 10.00am I will release clues on FB for the first mug. One clue every 10 minutes until it's found. Once we have confirmation it has been found I will move on to the second mug and so on

## January Photography Competition 'Winter Watch'

We will be running a photography competition during the month of January (deadline for entries 31st January). There will be a 1/2/3 for each category. The theme is Winter Watch. Just send the photos to our FB page

Category:

**EYFS** 

KS1

Y3/4

Y5/6

Open category

#### **School Dinners**

Please see the new menu attached. Please note the cost of lunches is also rising to £2.65.

#### **Can Wrap Design Competition**

Two of the classes in Y6 had a go at inventing their own fizzy drink and designing a can wrap. Why not try it yourself?

- 1.Name and logo
- 2. What the drink does for you?
- 3. Flavour
- 4. Cost
- 5. Strap line ('Just Do it')

#### **Birthday Books**

Happy Birthday last Sunday Dexter and thank you for the Birthday Book. Happy Birthday to Maisy too and thank you for the Book and thank you Success for all your amazing Birthday Books.



#### Sports Leaders

On Tuesday, our sports leaders received some professional training from the Sports Games Organisers.



#### **Lost Property**

Please ensure you label all clothing. If you don't name it we cant return it. Thank you.

















#### Boys' Football

A brilliant effort from our boys' football team today! They faced some tough competition across five matches but kept improving and supporting each other every step of the way. Congratulations to Jayden, who proudly received the Fair Play Award for our school!



#### Dial Lane Book Club

<u>Dial Lane Books</u> Next Kids' Book Club is at 3.00pm on Sunday 19th January. Pop in and collect a book from me if you would like to go along.



#### **Holiday Ideas**

- 1. Collect some conkers
- 2. Try a leaf rubbing
- 3. Take part in our Halloween Trail
- 4, Make a skeleton out of twigs
- 5. Find some sea glass
- 6. Look for a shark's tooth
- 7. Make a hag stone necklace
- 8. Carve a pumpkin
- 9. Go litter picking
- 10. Write a Halloween poem/story
- 11. Collect some leaves and make a sculpture
- 12. Try some spiral art
- 13. Go to the library
- 14. Visit Dial Lane Books
- 15. Make a cake (and do the washing up)
- 16 Design your own fireworks code poster
- 17. Go for a walk in the nature reserve just behind the school
- 18. Make a Halloween scarecrow
- 19. Learn how to play draughts/checkers
- 20. Enter the 'can wrap' competition

#### Friday Football

Friday football is great, so much so we are now asking all Thursday footballers to join us on Friday (Mr Garwood will be running the after school wrap around club when we return in November). We are looking for some volunteers to help with the football. Each week we basically play a game, being enthusiastic is the main thing but we would welcome anyone with coaching experience (3.30-4-30pm). I'll give you a badge and buy you a drink.



















#### **Asthma Inhalers**

If your child has an inhaler please make sure we have one in school. It is vitally important. Thank you.



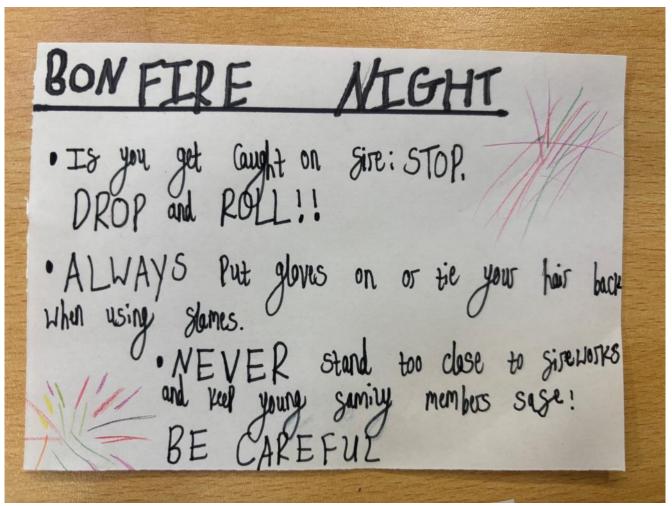


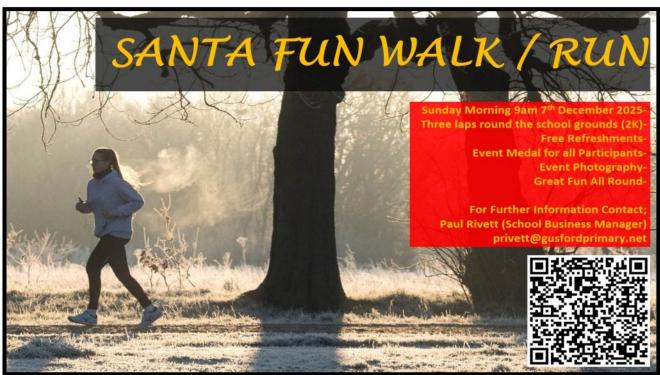
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#### **PC Harper**

On Monday, PC Harper spoke to our Year 6 about community safety, Fireworks and Halloween. Thank you PC Harper.



















#### Consultation on Admission Arrangements for 2027/28

27th October 2025 to 5th December 2025

As the Admitting Authority for Gusford Primary School, The Active Learning Trust (ALT) is seeking views on admission arrangements for the school year 2027/28. All schools within the ALT follow the Admissions Code and the law relating to admissions. This accords with the Trust's funding agreement with the Department for Education.

Suffolk County Council will continue to co-ordinate the admission arrangements for the normal year of entry (Reception) and ALT will continue to administer in-year applications and appeals. Parents wishing to apply for a school place outside of a normal year of entry should contact the school office for further information.

The current Published Admission Number (PAN) for Gusford Primary School is 90 students for each year group. The Active Learning Trust is seeking to reduce the PAN to 60, which would bring the PAN in line with numbers on roll for the last four years, and allow efficient budgeting, effective curriculum planning and ensure the correct level of staffing. Arrangements for when a school receives a higher number of applications than it has places available will remain the same, with the following over-subscription criteria being used to determine which pupils are allocated a place.

Children who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names a specific school will be admitted. (Children with an EHCP that does not name the school will continue to be referred to the LA SEND Team to determine an appropriate place).

Children who have an EHCP fall outside the ordinary admissions system and therefore do not feature within the oversubscription criteria.

In the event of a year group being oversubscribed, and after the admission of pupils with an EHCP where the school is named, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in order:-

· A 'looked after child' or child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of its social services functions (see definition in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989.

This includes children who appear to the Admission Authority to have been in state care (i.e. in the care of or accommodated by a public authority, religious organisation or any other provider whose sole/main purpose is to benefit society) outside of England but ceased to be so as a result of being adopted only.

- · Children with a sibling attending the school at the time of application who is reasonably expected to still be attending the school at the proposed time of admission.
- · Other children by distance from the school with priority for admission being given to those who live nearest to the school as measured by a straight line.

As part of the consultation process, you are entitled to give your views on the proposed changes to the admission arrangements (namely in relation to the proposed reduction of PAN at Gusford from 90 to 60).

You can do this by either:-

Writing to Admissions, The Active Learning Trust, c/o Neale-Wade Academy, Wimblington Road, March, Cambs. PE15 9PX or Emailing: admin@activelearningtrust.org

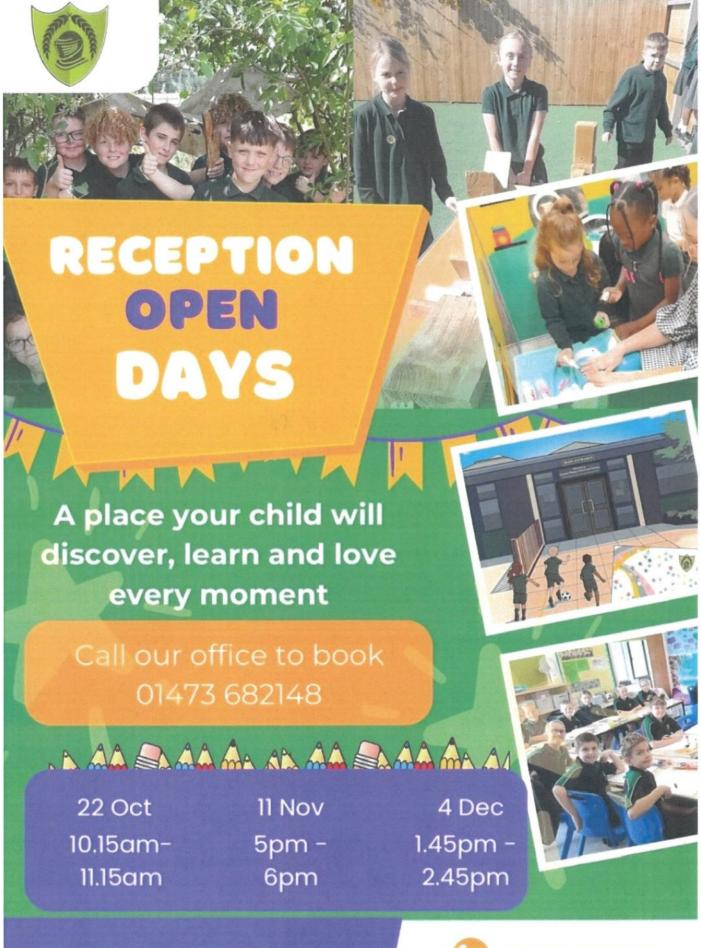
Responses must be received no later than noon on 5th December 2025.



Starting at the school, visit the shops and the pub; try and find all 12 Halloween clues and then work out the mystery word?

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6.	12.

Take a photo whilst you are on the trail, message the school on FB and we will upload your pictures.







## **Monday to Friday**

- Supervised by school staff from school premises
- Light healthy snack at all sessions
- Indoor and outdoor activities

BOOK NOW ON ARBOR OR CONTACT 01473 682148

SHORT 3.15PM-4.15PM	£4
LONG 3.15PM-5.00PM	£7
EXTRA 3.15PM-5.30PM	£10

**MORE INFORMATION** admin@gusfordprimary.net















- Based in Ipswich.
- UEFA Qualified Coaches.
- U5 to U14s Boys and Girls.
- Player/Parent Meetings.
- Individual Player Reports.
  - Links to Pro Clubs.

We offer high level football coaching during the week and Holiday Camps during school holidays.

See above to find us on Facebook!

For more information, please email us on info@am-procoaching.co.uk





# Half term events in Ipswich



**Wild Tots in Holywells** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 27 \*\* October 10 - 11:30 am



Wild Family Adventures in Holywells

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 10 - 11:45 am



Hedgehog home building at the Woolpack

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October 1 - 2:00 pm

All events need to be booked online.



What's On

suffolkwildlifetrust.org

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Autumn / Wi	nter Menu Week	1	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 1 <sup>st</sup>	& 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec, 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	& 23 <sup>rd</sup> March
WEEK ONE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Red Tractor Pork Sausage Roll & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Beef Taco with Corn Tortilla, Tomato Sauce & Sunny Rice	Roast Chicken Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Tomato & Cheese Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Main Meal Option 2	Macaroni Cheese	Italian Quorn Meatballs served with Pasta <sup>vg</sup>	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Sausage in a Bun with Home-baked Potato Wedges <sup>vo</sup>	Vegetable Fingers & Chips with Ketchup <sup>vo</sup>
Halal Option	Halal Chicken Sausage Roll & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Beef Taco with Corn Tortilla, Tomato Sauce & Sunny Rice	Halal Roast Chicken, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Tomato & Cheese Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	
Sandwich Box	Cheese	Ham	Tuna Mayonnaise	Ham	Cheese
Vegetables	Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad or Broccoli	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches, Rice & Pasta	Freshly Made Sand	lwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonn	naise or Ham / Jollof Rice with 5 Be	eans 🎺 / Pasta with Cheese or To	mato & Basil Sauce
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, or Beans
Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread <sup>vo</sup> & Chocolate Sauce	Chocolate & Pear Crumble VG & Custard	Strawberry Jelly <sup>VG</sup>	Oaty Date Cookie	Vanilla Ice Cream

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WEEK TWO	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Pork Sausage & Mash with Gravy	Red Tractor Beef Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	MSC Battered Pollock & Chips
Main Meal Option 2	Veggie Sausage & Mash with Gravy <sup>vg</sup>	Plant-based Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese Flan & Chips
Halal Option	Halal Chicken Sausage & Mash with Gravy	Halal Red Tractor Beef Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Halal Roast Chicken, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	
Sandwich Box	Cheese	Ham	Tuna Mayonnaise	Ham	Cheese
Vegetables	Broccoli, Sweetcorn or Baked Beans	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, or Sliced Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Shortbread Pin Wheels & Fruit Slices <sup>vo</sup>	Chocolate Fudge Cake	Apple Crumble vg & Custard	Flapjack <sup>vg</sup>	Chocolate Mousse

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WEEK THREE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Beef Burger with Home- baked Potato Wedges	Mild Chicken Curry served with Mixed Rice	Roast Chicken , Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Margherita Pizza with Home- baked Potato Wedges	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Main Meal Option 2	Vegetable Burger with Home-baked Potato Wedges <sup>ve</sup>	Vegetable Sausage Hotdog served with Home-baked Wedges	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Crispy Vegetable Fingers & Chips <sup>vg</sup>
Halal Option	Beef Burger with Home- baked Potato Wedges	Halal Mild Chicken Curry served with Mixed Rice	Roast Chicken, Gravy Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Margherita Pizza with Home- baked Potato Wedges	
Sandwich Box	Cheese	Ham	Tuna Mayonnaise	Ham	Cheese
Vegetables	Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	Broccoli or Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Chocolate Oaty Slice VG	Syrup Sponge Pudding & Custard	Apple & Cinnamon Rolls	Vanilla Cookie & Fruit Slices vg	Iced Sponge Cake with Sprinkles