



The Gusford Gazette

Travelling in the car, waiting at the bus stop or just chatting over the dining room table-why not practise your times tables?

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Remembrance Day

On Tuesday 11th November at 11.00am we held our Remembrance Service in school and Mr Garwood and Miss Bell took our KS2 Bluey Club children to the Service at Ipswich Cemetery. Lest we forget.



The Santa Sleigh

Santa is a busy man so don't miss his sleigh route around Ipswich.

[Sleigh route](#)

Snowy Weather

Safety is always our first concern but we are in the fortunate position to have enough members of staff who can walk to school whatever the weather. This means we will be able to stay open on almost all days unless our heating, water or other connected services breakdown. We would suggest you send your children to school in wellington boots (shoes in a bag) with gloves and a coat if it snows as we will be playing outside. If it really does snow heavily it might also be sensible to send the children in with a packed lunch just in case we are waiting on a food delivery. In my experience most roads are cleared by mid morning on snow days so a later start might also be an option.

Gusford Diary Dates

Beauty and the Beast Panto. Friday 21st November.

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

Open Sessions

Thursday 4th December 1.45-2.45pm

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. All money raised to support our community food store.

School Discos. Tuesday 16th December.

ITFC Blue Day (non-uniform). Friday 19th December. No donation just celebration of all things Ipswich.

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 them on FB.

Bikeability

Group 1 26th to 29th January

Group 2 2nd to 5th February

Two Johns Internet Safety. Tuesday 13th January 2026

Big Schools' Bird Watch. Friday 16th January 2026

Choir at Young Voices O2. Tuesday 20th January 2026

Henry VIII Commemoration, Wednesday 28th January 2026

World Cancer Awareness Day. Wednesday 4th February 2026

NSPCC Number Day. Friday 6th February 2026

Performing Arts Festival. Thursday 26th February 2026

World Book Day. Thursday 5th March 2026

Red Nose Day Friday 13th March 2026

Year 5 Stargazing Sleepover. Friday 20th March 2026

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.

Year 1 Trip to Colchester Zoo

On Monday, our Blossoms and Year 1 children had a great day at the zoo. Thank you children for being so well behaved and thank you parent volunteers.



Birthday Books

Happy Birthday Harrison and thank you for the Birthday Book. Send in a Birthday Book and we'll celebrate all Birthday on our FB page.

Dial Lane Book Club

[Dial Lane Books](#) Next Kids' Book Club is at 3.00pm on Sunday 16th November. Pop in and collect a book from me if you would like to go along.



Town Light Switch On

Not long until the Town's Christmas Light Switch On! Ipswich is getting festive in preparation for the Light Switch - This Sunday from 4pm to 7.30pm in the heart of Ipswich on the Cornhill, this year's celebration promises to be bigger and brighter than ever with a line up of live entertainment for all the family to enjoy.

The Ipswich Symphony Orchestra

The ISO rehearse in the school hall on a Thursday evening so I get to hear a little of them playing. Mrs Ingram is part of the orchestra. I'm definitely going to the concert on Saturday 29th November at the Corn Exchange. If you go too and say "Wagner's Ring Cycle is a monumental if a little tiresome epic" then I'll buy you a drink at the bar.

School Disco Tuesday 16th December

Please note that your child is unlikely to be invited to the disco if they are making bad choices in school. Tickets available soon.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1AKDYXSK4m>

STEM and Sizewell C

On Wednesday, several of our Year 6 classes took part in a STEM (science and technology) project with a team from Sizewell C. Do you know what STEM stands for?

Santa Fun Run

Sunday 7th December starting 9.30am. Walk, jog or run. Everyone is welcome. You can use the QR code to sign up or come and see us in the front office. Everyone who takes part gets a medal, a drink and a santa hat. We are hoping Santa himself is going to make an appearance. Exciting times!

Macbeth in Year 5

A group of our Year 5 children have been rehearsing a version of Macbeth with Mrs Slater and Mrs Ingram. They have been so enthusiastic that they even came to school for a three hour rehearsal on Sunday morning. It's going to be brilliant. The premiere is at Dance East on 25th November at 7.00pm.

Anti-bullying week

On Monday, Miss Gooch launched our anti-bullying week in assembly. It was great to see so many children in school raising awareness with their odd socks. Thank you for your support.

Rainy Days

Please make sure your child has a coat they can wear outside when it rains (named please). We will try and go out for a shorter break if it is wet unless it is raining cats and dogs.

Children in Need Day

On Friday, we took part in Children in Need Day. Thank you for helping us out with the money tree. We will add this to the money we raised on the CIN school walk. It was lovely to see so many children with their Pudsey headbands.



London Trip

On Thursday, Mr Webber and Mr Garwood took a group of Year 6 children to London. They looked around the sea-life centre, went on a cable car ride, a river cruise and popped in to the Houses of Parliament.



Year 6 Prom

The Year 6 Prom (summer) is organised by parents along the lines of a private party. We have a group of parents who have started to think of a venue and ideas. They will post on the parents Facebook page so you can get in contact and offer support and ideas.

Advent

Advent is the lead up to Christmas when Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus. This year Advent start on Sunday 30th November (the fourth Sunday before 25th December). We will light our first candle on the Advent wreath in school on Monday 1st December.

Attendance Matters

Our Attendance this week was back to 96%. We have had a blip with coughs and colds but we are still aiming for 97% by the end of the year. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Multiplication Tables

Tables expectations by year group.

Year 1 Count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10. Recall and use doubles of all numbers to 10 and corresponding halves.

Year 2 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.

Year 3 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.

Year 4 Recall multiplication and division facts for all multiplication tables up to 12 x 12.

Year 5 Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12.

Year 6 Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12.

**Ipswich
Symphony
Orchestra**

WAGNER
Die Meistersinger Overture

BEETHOVEN
Piano Concerto No 3 in C minor

Soloist Jeneba Kanneh-Mason

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
Symphony No 5 in D major

*"With so much in full flower at
such an early age, her future will
surely be dazzling."*

Gramophone Magazine

Conductor
Adam Gatehouse

Leader
Steve Browne

Saturday 29 November 2025 7.30pm
Corn Exchange, King Street, Ipswich IP1 1DH

TICKETS

From £19 adults / £8 under 18s

www.ipswichtheatres.co.uk, from orchestra members and on the door

Box office 01473 433100

www.ipswichsymphonyorchestra.org



Registered Charity #276734



**VAUGHAN
WILLIAMS
FOUNDATION**



SANTA FUN WALK / RUN

Sunday Morning 9am 7th December 2025
Three laps round the school grounds (2K)-
Free Refreshments-
Event Medal for all Participants-
Event Photography-
Great Fun All Round-

For Further Information Contact;
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discover, learn and love
every moment

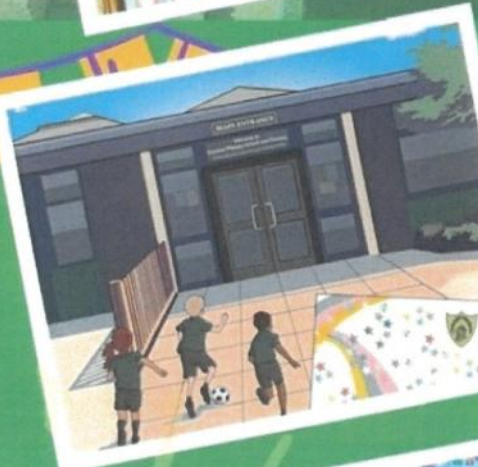
Call our office to book
01473 682148



22 Oct
10.15am–
11.15am

11 Nov
5pm –
6pm

4 Dec
1.45pm –
2.45pm



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WRAP AROUND CARE

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

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Autumn / Winter Menu Week 1

10th Nov, 1st & 22nd Dec, 19th Jan, 9th Feb, 2nd & 23rd March

Eativerse
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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 ^{VG}	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Sausage in a Bun with Home-baked Potato Wedges ^{VG}	Vegetable Fingers & Chips with Ketchup ^{VG}
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 Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham / Jollof Rice with 5 Beans / Pasta with Cheese or Tomato & 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 ^{VG} & Chocolate Sauce	Chocolate & Pear Crumble ^{VG} & Custard	Strawberry Jelly ^{VG}	Oaty Date Cookie	Vanilla Ice Cream

Available Daily: Salad, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Autumn / Winter Menu Week 2

27th Oct, 17th Nov, 8th Dec, 5th & 26th Jan, 16th Feb, 9th March

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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 ^{VG}	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 ^{VG}	Chocolate Fudge Cake	Apple Crumble ^{VG} & Custard	Flapjack ^{VG}	Chocolate Mousse

Available Daily: Salad, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Autumn / Winter Menu Week 3

3rd & 24th Nov, 15th Dec, 12th Jan, 2nd & 23rd Feb, 16th March

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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 ^{VG}	Vegetable Sausage Hotdog served with Home-baked Wedges	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Crispy Vegetable Fingers & Chips ^{VG}
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

Available Daily: Salad, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt