



Gusford Primary School

"Together we believe, learn and achieve"

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Parent Newsletter 03/02/2023

Thank you to everyone for ensuring your child came to school when partially closed for the strike. We tried our utmost to accommodate you so that you could still go to work without disruption, whilst also acknowledging that legally teachers striking did not have any obligation to inform us as to whether they would be coming to school. We were fortunate that most teachers decided to inform us the evening before. Please be aware the next proposed strike day is 1st March. Again, please be prepared for possible last-minute changes. Thank you



Congratulations to the following children who were chosen as star of the week!

- Nursery: Jaxon
- Reception: Brogan and Esme
- Year 1: Talia, Markus, Adil
- Year 2: Dominic, Lyla, Harry C
- Year 3: Izabela, T'Aire, Harry A
- Year 4: Lana, Elodie, Riley A
- Year 5: Esmal, Harmony, Jacob
- Year 6: Mya, Amelia G, Tia

Bronte and Sun class won this week's class attendance – winning gold tickets for everyone in their class!



Seeing Is Believing!

We will be holding our first of many Seeing Is Believing events. This is an open session for parents to see what is being taught in the class and the learning in the books. We know there is strong teaching and learning in our school and we want you to see it too!
Year 3 + 4 – Friday 3rd March 9am-9.30am
Year 5 + 6 – Monday 6th March 9am-9.30am

Share Sessions – come and join craft activities

- Reception - 22nd February 2-3pm
- Year 1 - 23rd February 2-3pm
- Year 2 - 27th February 2-3pm

What's been happening this week in school!?



On Tuesday this week children took part in an Under 11 mixed Basketball event – This was their first outing together and a great team building experience, another 3 of our children were scouted by local Basketball teams!

Thursday our 7 and under Futsal team had an amazing first outing – they won 5 of their 6 matches and drew in their last. What an amazing result! Well done to the children in Years 2 and 3 that took part.

NHS
Suffolk and North East Essex

Walk-In COVID Vaccination Clinic

no bookings, just turn up

Please do not contact the centre
If you have queries please go to www.nhs.uk
or call the NHS patient helpline 0344 257 3961
Alternatively the vaccinator will be happy to answer your questions on the day

The NHS is offering COVID-19 Booster

We are holding "Walk-In" Covid 19 and flu vaccination clinics in various locations in Ipswich and East Suffolk and would like to invite you to come along. Under the advice, those eligible for a further Covid 19 dose will be:

- Ages 12+ for first, second and booster (if eligible) vaccinations
- Those aged 12+ if you are clinically vulnerable
- Those aged 12+ if you are a household contact or carer of someone who is immunosuppressed
- Residents in a care home for older adults and staff working in care homes for older adults

Date	Location	Time	Age Group
26/01/2023	Unity Centre, Whitton Clinic Meredith Rd, Ipswich, IP7 5ED	13:00 - 17:00	12+
31/01/2023	Chamberlain Hall, Chamberlain Close, Ipswich, IP7 2EJ	13:30 - 17:30	12+
09/02/2023	Bramham Leisure Centre, New Village, Bramham, Merseyside, C611 1NQ	13:30 - 17:31	12+
07/02/2023	Hillbrook, Ipswich IP2 2PZ	13:30 - 17:32	12+
09/02/2023	St. Peter's by the Waterfront, College Street, Ipswich IP1 1JF	13:30 - 17:33	12+
15/02/2023	Suffolk @ The Royal Oak, 175 Felixstowe Rd, Ipswich	10:00 - 14:00	12+



Wellsprings Wellbeing Café Thursdays 9-4

Free tea & coffee.
Light refreshments
Lunch from 11.45 (£2)

Optional activities:
Wellbeing group 12.30
Worship service 1.15
Board games
Magazines
Arts & crafts
Puzzles

A warm safe space where it's ok not to be ok

A place to make friends,
be friends and bring
friends

Inspiring Ipswich
St Peter's Church
Stoke Park Drive
IPSWICH IP2 9TH
Any questions, contact
alicia.holmes@cofesuffolk.org

National Pizza Day Thursday 9th February 2023

**Ham and Cheese
Pizza**
Margherita Pizza
**Jacket Potato with
Beans**
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Roasted New Potatoes
Sweetcorn
Mixed salad
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**Ice Cream with
Toppings**
Fresh Fruit Salad



This half term in Culture Club, we have been learning about Jamaica. We have learnt the meaning of the flag colours, the location and population of Jamaica as well as what foods Jamaica produces. We researched famous athletes, music artists such as Bob Marley and the meaning of Reggae. We finished our learning by food tasting some traditional dishes such as Caribbean jerk rice with beans, Guava jam and of course hot sauce!



Year 3 and 4 children always decide what country they wish to research and taste test, and our next adventure is to South Korea. Thank you to the Year 4 children especially for demonstrating our Gusford value of responsibility in helping the younger children and assisting me with setting the food tasting up, you were superstars! Well done to you all for having the bravery to try new foods, especially the hot sauce.

Important Dates

Phonics and Reading Workshops
Tuesday 7th Feb - 9am and 2:45pm

Friday 10th February – Last day of term
13th – 17th February – Half term
Monday 20th February – Children return to school

Tuesday 21st February – Year 6 Dental visit
Wednesday 22nd February – Friends of Gusford Disco
Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day

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Canteen Menu – next week we will be on week 1
Please see the above menu for a change to Thursdays dinner – Thank you

Week One	Option 1	Cheesy Swirl with New Potatoes	Chicken Korma with Rice	Roast of the Day with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Build a Burger Day A choice of Burger (meat, veggie or vegan) with toppings and Potato Wedges	Fishfingers/ Salmon Fishfingers with Chips
	Option 2	Tomato Pasta	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Crunchy Top Veg Bake with Roast Potatoes	BUILD A BURGER	Quorn Sausages with Chips
	Vegetables	Cauliflower Peas	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Carrots Cabbage	Sweetcorn Mixed Peppers	Peas Baked Beans
	Dessert	Apple and Berry Crumble with Custard	Yoghurt and Raisin Cake	Fruit Jelly	Chocolate & Mandarin Brownie with Chocolate Sauce	Vanilla Shortbread
Or a choice of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit available daily						