



Gosforth Park First School

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Sports Days

We are hoping that the weather will be good to us during Sports Week. Our Key Stage Sports Afternoons are as follows

KS2 Monday 1st July from 1:30

KS1 Tuesday 2nd July from 1:30

Reception Wednesday 3rd July from 1:30

Nursery Wednesday 3rd July from 10:45

Nursery Thursday 4th July from 2:15

Please see the Sports Week letter (last week) for more information.

Parents will be able to collect children and siblings after sports day. Please listen for further information on the day about how this will be organised.

Miss Walsh

End of Year Reports

As advised in the Dates for your Calendar section, end of year reports will be sent out on Friday 12th July. If parents do not live together and require a copy each, please let the school office know and they will make sure each parent receives a copy of the report.

Mrs Carrick and Mrs Eltringham



Thank you for your patience as we move over to the Parent Pay system. Office and technical staff at the LA are working hard on ironing out any technical issues.

Year 4 Boys Football



On Wednesday morning, Mr Hindess took a squad of ten Year 4 boys to compete in a 7-a-side football tournament against other schools from the Newcastle area. The boys performed really well and were able to secure a win and a draw in their first two games. Unfortunately, they were caught out with a counter attack in their third game and also lost against the eventual tournament winners. I am proud of how the boys played and also their excellent sportsmanship throughout.

Mr Hindess

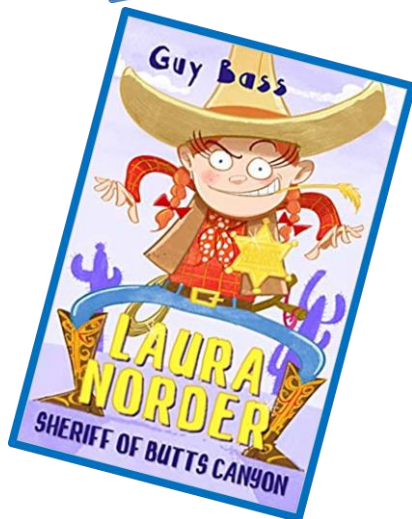
Reception Tuck Shop

As part of their transition into Year 1, Reception children are now on the 'big yard' at break times every morning. Tuckshop will be available to all Reception children every day, all items are 20p



Author Visit

On Wednesday morning, Indigo Class (Year 3) visited Guy Bass who is the author of their class text, *Stitch Head*. Here is what the children had to say...



Meeting Guy Bass

When we went to meet Guy Bass we got on the coach and went to an academy. Before Guy Bass started a lady told a story about how Guy Bass got her daughter into reading at home. Guy Bass started to talk about a book called *Laura Norder* and he read us some of it. Then he showed a picture of him putting a crisp bag over his head. Next he asked us what our fears were. Someone said spiders and he told us this really funny story and then Raphael said wasps and Guy Bass said "Yes, it's sad because you can't make them all fluffy and cute". Then he told us about *Stitch Head* and some other stories. He also told us about a saying his mum said. Then he made that into a book and that was his first book and then we got back on the coach.

By Claire McClintock

Meeting Guy Bass

Guy Bass was younger than I thought he would be. I thought he was going to be 60. He was very funny, he had a good sense of humour. He told us how he was scared of spiders and not tarantulas. Raphael was laughing a lot. He showed us some books what he wrote. Some of them were called *Stitch Head* and *Laura Norder*. He showed us a picture of him pulling a paper bag over his head. Guy Bass said that he wasn't scared of tarantulas.

By Samuel Schofield.



Year 4 Leavers

Our transition activities are well under way for our children moving to middle school after the summer break.

Some of our parents have arranged a **Year 4 Leavers Party** on Friday 19th July 5-7pm at St Aidan's Community Centre, Brunton Park. Tickets are £6 per child (siblings £3). Please see Caroline (Lucy's Mum), Claire (Archie's Mum), Nicola (Matthew's Mum) or Anna (Elizabeth's Mum) for tickets.

Thank you very much.

Caroline (Lucy's Mum)



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Reception Miss Coughlan** and **Indigo** class.

Our attendance this week was 97.1%, down on last week (97.2), but still better than last year (96.5%)

We had 15 lates this week (9 families) which is an improvement on last week. Let's see if we can do even better next week!

Thank you so much for your support.
Mrs Lamb



Our Mathletics trophy goes to **Yellow Class** this week and our Mathletes of the week are **Huanin Hashim, Sahib Sing dhaliwal** and **Eliza Dixon**.

Well done!

Homework

Class	
Green	Maths – Telling the time Reading comprehension – Y1
Orange	Maths – multiplication and division Reading comprehension – Y1 / 2
Yellow	Maths – multiplication and division Reading comprehension – Y2
Indigo	Maths-Turns and Angles Spellings
Violet	Spellings Maths – Estimating money
Blue	Mathletics (time) and Times Table Rock Stars Let's get the Mathletics trophy!

Advanced Notice of Dates

Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 4 Transition day at GEMS
Mon 1 st July – Friday 5 th July	Sports Week
Monday 1 st July	KS2 Sports Afternoon from 1:30
Tuesday 2 nd July	KS1 Sports Afternoon from 1:30
Wednesday 3 rd July	Nursery Sports Morning from 10:45
Wednesday 3 rd July	Reception Sports Afternoon from 1:30
Thursday 4 th July	Nursery Sports Afternoon from 2:15
Thursday 4 th July	Year 4 Transition day at GEMS
Thursday 4 th July	In school transition – children meet class teachers for September
Friday 12 th July	End of Year reports out to parents
Thursday 18 th July	Year 4 Leavers Assembly (am approx. 9:15 – 11:20 details TBC)
Friday 19 th July	Break up for Summer Holiday
Monday 2 nd September	Training Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	School reopens

Open Day



This year we raised **£494!!!**

Thank you to everyone who came along and enjoyed the afternoon with us, and a huge thank you to all our lovely volunteers who sacrificed spending time with their children to cover a stall! Without your help we just could not do the fundraising we do! We cannot stress enough how much we need more volunteers for events like Open Day to go ahead. Please let your class rep know if you can spare any time to help out at our next event.

A list of our Raffle winners was emailed out on Monday, if you have not received it, we will be posting a copy in our display cabinet. To all the lucky raffle winners, if you haven't already done so, you can collect your prize from the school office.

Pre Loved Uniform

Anyone wishing to purchase some preloved uniform for September can contact Kate on **07947846974**. We have lots already in stock and will be getting more supplies from the year 4's when they leave us to head up to GEM's. It's a great way to stock up on uniform for a fraction of the price, help the school provide more playgroup equipment for the children and it's recycling!! So your purchases help the environment too! You really can't say no!

Anyone wishing to donate uniform (School logo Polo/Cardigans/Sweatshirts, grey trousers/skirts/pinafores, PE t-shirts & red shorts) can leave in a bag at the front door of 6 Burnside Rd, 2 mins from school, anytime. Thank you.



Elmer

Our Elmer 'Rainbow' has started getting his paint on ready for the big reveal next month! A big thank you to **Kitwave** and **Al Walker** for donating money towards the cost of purchasing our Elmer. The remainder of the funds were from the friends of GPFS.

Library

The school library has had a make-over! Mrs Lambert has spent funds donated by the friends of GPFS and purchased lots of exciting new books, as well as some new storage for the books. Thank you to all the volunteers who came in and spent their spare time helping Mrs Lambert sort and organise the books. I am sure the new system will make life so much easier for the staff and the children will love the new books to read!

New Reception Parents visits

Thank you to our volunteers who helped Mrs Lamb to welcome our new families this week by serving refreshments.

PTFA Meeting

Our next meeting is **on Tuesday 9th July 2019 at 7pm** in the school hall. This will be our last meeting before the summer holidays, as always everyone is welcome.

Have a great weekend!