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Thank you so much for your kind words and emails this week following the publication of our recent Ofsted report. I have shared these with staff. We are so proud of our amazing children. In case you haven't read it, here is our favourite bit!

Ofsted: Gosforth Park First School continues to be a good school.

What is it like to attend this school?

Gosforth Park First School has a real sense of family. This is a view shared by pupils, parents and staff. The new motto, 'together we make a difference', is felt as you walk through the door. This is a caring, nurturing school. Pupils feel safe and well looked after. They say behaviour is good and they have no worries about bullying.

PLEASE REMEMBER - Preloved uniform is available to buy anytime through Kate Watkins. Please contact her on 07947846974. Lots of stock available at the moment. This includes not only official school uniform but also grey items priced as low as 50p. See below for what is in stock.

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On Monday 30th March we will be celebrating Easter in school. We are holding an Easter Bonnet competition (£1 entry on ParentPay). We are hoping you can make your bonnets at home the weekend before and then send your finished Easter Bonnets to school on Monday 30th March.

We will have an Easter Bonnet Parade and 2 children from each class will receive a prize for the best bonnet. We will be carrying out lots of Easter activities during the day, so anyone who hasn't been able to make a bonnet at home can make one in school.

Staff News

Mr Phipps will be taking early retirement and leaving Gosforth Park First School on 31st March. Mr Phipps has taught children at GPFS for almost twenty years. As you all know, Mr Phipps is a dedicated and caring teacher who will be greatly missed.

Updated Public Health England (PHE) Guidance about Coronavirus

We continue to follow the latest advice from the government and Public Health England. You can find the latest information and advice from Public Health England at www.gov.uk/coronavirus



The Children's Cancer Run 2020

We would like you and your family to join our school team at the 38th Children's Cancer Run at Newcastle Racecourse, Gosforth Park on **Sunday** 17th May 2020.

Please ensure that you **register online** for the event:

- 1. Log on to www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk
- 2. Select 'Enter now' and you will be asked to log in or sign up to Everyday Hero this is an essential part of the registration system and only takes 2 minutes to sign up
- 3. Complete your entry form, selecting our school name from the drop down list
- 4. Click **proceed to payment** to complete the registration for you and your family

Every child must be accompanied by an adult.

EARLY BIRD ENTRY FEE ENDS ON MIDNIGHT 31ST MARCH 2020

Looking forward to seeing you all there! Miss Walsh



We raised an amazing £178 for Sports Relief today! Well done everyone!

Thanks Miss Walsh for a brilliant t whole school wake up shake up this morning!



Our Mathletes of the week this week are Immie Gumbrill and Matthew Lazenby. Well done! Our class of the week is **Orange** Class.



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Orange Class** and **Yellow Class** this week.

Our attendance this week was 96.7% which is down from 96.8% last week.

We only had 15 lates from 9 families. This is a great improvement on last week — thank you!

Mrs Lamb



Well done to William Laing who has achieved his Stage 1 Swimming award.

Well done to James Laing has achieved his Stage 2 Swimming award.

Well done to Aidan Robson-Grice has achieved his stage 2 swimming award.



LOLLIPOP RAFFLE GOES ONLINE FOR 2020

Please be as generous as you can and buy your tickets at:

www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/parklandsc ommunitycrossing

Please see the full letter sent out on Parent Pay for more information.

Chores for Change

We've made a great start to the Chores for Change fundraiser! Here are the totals so far

	Week 1 & 2	Week 3	Total
Reception SW	£5.15	£4.55	£9.70
Reception SC	£16.97	£19.82	£36.79
Green	£23.86	£21.73	£45.59
Orange	£12.88	£13.93	£26.81
Yellow	£36.73	£15.58	£52.31
Indigo	£15.35	£3.90	£19.25
Violet	£15.52	£19.20	£34.72
Blue	£8.75	£11.26	£20.01

That's an amazing £109.97 this week, £245 in total so far, £49 of which will be heading to the Medical Detection Dog charity. Well done to Yellow class who are still in the lead so far. I hope you're getting lots of chores done at home!

Diary Dates

Monday 16 th March	KS2 Trip to Vindolanda	
Tuesday 17 th March 10:30	Nursery Mother's Day Assembly	
Thursday 19th March 2:15	Nursery Mother's Day Assembly	
Friday 20 th March	Key Stage 2 Class Assemblies	
	Refreshments 2:15 – 2:45	
	Assembly 2:45 – 3:15	
Tuesday 24 th March	Parent Consultations	
Thursday 26 th March	Parent Consultations	
Friday 27 th March	Reception Class Assemblies	
	Refreshments 2:15 – 2:45	
	Assembly 2:45 – 3:15	
Wednesday 1 st April – Friday 3rd April	Year 4 Residential to Robinwood	
Friday 3 rd April	Easter Holiday	
Monday 20 th April	Back to School	
Friday 8 th May check	Bank Holiday	
Friday 22 nd May	Daft Day	
Friday 22 nd May	Half Term	
Monday 1 st June	Training Day	



Chores for Change

Children have until **Wednesday 1st April 2020** to get their change into their collection jugs. The competition is heating up and as they say every penny counts! The money is being counted every Friday morning until the competition ends.

Remember, 20% of the final total will be going to a very worthy cause, the Medical Detection Dogs, and the class that raises the most money will be receiving a fun filled afternoon (activity TBC by class teacher) along with yummy snacks which will be provided by the PTFA.

So, make the most of eager helping hands with your spring cleaning! And help us raise money for our school and our chosen charity!

Book Fair

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped cover the Book Fair this week. We really appreciate your support in covering this popular event.

Class Assemblies

Our Class Assemblies are approaching, so just a reminder the PTFA will be serving refreshments (for donations) and selling raffle tickets (£1 per ticket) at each of the assemblies.

PTFA Meeting

We are in the process of agreeing the date of our next meeting and will update you next week.

Have a lovely weekend,

The Friends of GPFS committee









Pre-Loved Uniform Stock Take March 2020

Nursery – Jumpers 3-4 Years – 2, Check Dress 2

3-4 Years	5-6 Years	7/8 Years
Cardies – 4	Cardies – 11	Cardies – 0
Polo T-shirts – 9	Polo T-shirts – 23	Polo T-shirts – 37
Jumpers – 10	Jumpers – 20	Jumpers – 44
Boys Shorts – 0	Boys Shorts – 7	Boys Shorts – 5
Boys Trousers – 3	Boys Trousers – 16	Boys Trousers – 10
Girls Trousers - 2	Girls Trousers - 0	Girls Trousers - 4
Skirts – 8	Skirts – 4	Skirts – 9
Pinafores – 2	Pinafores – 8	Pinafores – 0
Check Dress – 2	Check Dress – 0	Check Dress – 2

9/10 Years	11/12 Years	XS
Cardies – 0	Cardies – 0	Cardies – 0
Polo T-shirts – 6	Polo T-shirts – 2	Polo T-shirts – 0
Jumpers – 26	Jumpers – 3	Jumpers – 1
Boys Shorts – 7	Boys Shorts – 0	Boys Shorts – 0
Boys Trousers – 16	Boys Trousers – 0	Boys Trousers – 0
Girls Trousers - 0	Girls Trousers - 0	Girls Trousers - 0
Skirts – 1	Skirts – 0	Skirts – 0
Pinafores – 0	Pinafores – 0	Pinafores – 0
Check Dress – 0	Check Dress – 0	Check Dress – 0

<u>XL</u>	PE Shorts, T-Shirts, Book bags	4-5 Years
Cardie's - 0	and PE bags are available also	Official School items don't
Polo T-shirts – 0		come in this size
Jumpers – 2		Boys Shorts – 0
Boys Shorts – 0		Boys Trousers – 2
Boys Trousers – 0		Girls Trousers - 1
Girls Trousers - 0		Skirts – 5
Skirts – 0		Pinafores – 10
Pinafores – 0		Check Dress – 3
Check Dress – 0		

6/7 Years	8-9 Years	<u>10-11 Years</u>
Official School items don't	Official School items don't	Official School items don't
come in this size	come in this size	come in this size
Boys Shorts – 14	Boys Shorts – 7	Boys Shorts – 5
Boys Trousers – 6	Boys Trousers – 10	Boys Trousers – 4
Girls Trousers - 0	Girls Trousers - 2	Girls Trousers - 0
Skirts – 0	Skirts – 3	Skirts – 0
Pinafores – 4	Pinafores – 2	Pinafores – 0
Check Dress – 7	Check Dress – 1	Check Dress – 0