

Gosforth Park First School

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Such Good Sports!

Wow – what a week! Huge thanks to all children, parents and staff for being such good sports in joining the ever energetic Miss Walsh for her early morning Wake Up Shake Up routines! I have heard stories on the gate of children being very keen to get to school and participate. We have had so many exciting events going on around school including balance bike sessions, dance, basketball, hula hooping, sports days and a very special visit from a Paralympic Swimming Champion, Ellen Stephenson (age 14), who used to attend our school! I'm sure you will join me in saying a huge thank you to Miss Walsh for organising all of the events!



END OF YEAR REPORTS

As advised in previous newsletters, you will receive your child's end of year report at the end of the day, today, Friday 13th July. The reports are for Nursery to Year 4.

We would be grateful if you could share the report with your child at home and send back the reply comment slip in an envelope to your child's teacher by Thursday 19th July. If any parent needs to discuss a matter in their child's report, please contact your child's teacher or myself and we will be happy to help.

Last Week of Term

Last Week, week beginning Monday 16th July
Next week is our last week of the academic year. It
seems incredible how the year has flown by. The
children have had a very productive and successful
year!

Last week:

- Tuesday 17th Children and staff only = YR4 Dress rehearsal of their show, top secret from YR4 parents.
- Wednesday 18th = 11.00am = Morning Nursery Leavers' Awards in the EYRs Garden- Nursery parents invited
- Wednesday 18th = 2.30pm = Afternoon Nursery Leavers' Awards in the EYRs Garden- Nursery parents invited
- Thursday 19th = 9.10am YR4 Leavers' Show and Awards,YR4 parents/grandparents invited no pre school children (children can get their sweat shirts, polo tops, signed by staff and friends throughout the day)
- Thursday 19th = afternoon, Children only =YR4s
 Leavers' Party, memo will be sent out by Year 4
 Staff
- Last Day of the academic Year Friday 20th End of the School Day = 3.30pm as usual

ART EXHIBITION

The First and Middle Schools from the Gosforth Trust hosted an exhibition at Gosforth Civic Theatre on Thursday 12th July. There was a selection of work from Gosforth Park First School, selected from our fantastic Open Day displays celebrating 'The North!' Some of our school council representatives went along ...





... and this is what they had to say...

Abigail Samples – I liked looking at the art – it's my favourite lesson in school. Some were really bright colours, I like bright colours. I thought I'd like to try painting like that.

Esme Coles – I liked looking at all of the art and it gave me some ideas for paintings and drawings I'd like to try.

Harry Beall - I liked seeing different kinds of pictures from different schools.

Thanks to Miss Gasper for displaying our wonderful work.

SAGE SUCCESS

On Monday Mrs Thorpe and Mrs Wilson took our amazing school choir to the Sage, Gateshead where they performed as part of a mass choir, The Angel of the North Choir.

It was a long day – starting at the metro station before gam and not finishing until almost 10pm!

The children had a super spot at the front of the main stage and even got to perform a solo choir song after winning a competition.

They really did sing like angels and reduced parents (and some staff) to tears. We are so proud of you!

Huge thanks to Mrs Thorpe and Mrs Wilson for preparing, organising and attending.

Reminder -YR4 LEAVERS' SHOW FOR YEAR 4 PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS ON THURSDAY 19th JULY

On Thursday July 19th July starting at 9.15am our doors will open for the Year 4 Leaver's Show. Please can we ask you to queue outside school as the hall will have to be set up after the Out of School Club has gone. The children and staff are preparing a show which will last approximately an hour. There will then be a 15 minute interval for parents/grandparents to have tea & coffee provided by the FGPFS and the children to have a break. The second half will be presentation of awards and celebrating our Year 4's time at GPFS. Year 4 Staff will be sending out a memo to you. We politely request that pre-schoolers do not attend.

NURSERY PLACES SEPTEMBER 2018

Two end of the week places have now opened up for our Nursery to start in September. These would be for Wednesday afternoon, all day Thursday, and all day Friday. There are also still a couple of spaces for five afternoons too.

Please let family and friends know if you think they'd be interested!

Miss Gasper

Dates for your calendar	
Thursday 19 th July	Year 4 Leavers Special Assembly 9:10 - 11:30
Thursday 19 th July	Year 4 Leavers Party (afternoon)
Friday 20 th July	Last Day of Term
Tuesday 3 rd September	First Day of Term

Attendance News

Our attendance this week is 96.5% which is down on this time last year (97.2%).



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Blue** and **Orange** classes!

Mathletics

The Mathletics trophy was awarded to Orange class this week. A special mention goes out to Jay Doshi and Joe Thompson who were our Mathletes of the week.



Well done to Serena Midas Panayi who has achieved her Stage 6 swimming award and 400m award.

Well done to Joshua Mancini who has achieved his 1500m award!
Well done to Harry Flinders who has been awarded his Taekwon Do black stipe!

Book Bags

From September, as an alternative to the reading folder currently available, Tots to Teams will also be selling a school satchel. This fits perfectly in the childrens trays and we have been told that with it's carry strap it is perfect for multi tasking such as carrying and scooting at the same time!

Either the book bag or satchel are recommended for use in school. We would kindly ask parents **not** to buy large back packs as we simply do not have the space to store these safely.

Thanks

Mrs Lamb

