



Gosforth Park First School

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Viewing your child's work on Monday 3rd April

Protocols:

Please note that the times for this must be adhered to and your support will be appreciated:

As advised in your appointment letter you will have the opportunity to share your child's work with them and if you have any queries you can raise these at your meeting with your child's class teacher. This will take place in the morning from = 9.05am – 10.20am (after registration). Mrs Wilson and I will re-open the doors near the entrance areas to the KS1 & KS2 classrooms at 9.05 so that you can collect your child. Miss Smith will open the door at the Early Years entrance for Reception parents. If you are late then you will have to come to the entrance near the School Office.

The afternoon session is from 2.30pm – 3.15pm. The OSC will need access to the hall hence 3.15pm end time. You will enter school via the School Office. After you have finished you have my permission to take your child home. However you must inform your child's teacher.

KS2 - You can collect your child from their class. They will have their drawer with their work and you are invited to go to the school hall or the ICT suite or Library area and let them share their work with you. When you have finished please go with them to return their drawer to class.

KS1 - You can collect your child from their class. They will have their drawer with their work and you are invited to go to the school hall or Library area or outside my office and let them share their work with you. When you have finished please go with them to return their drawer to class.

Reception – You will be able to share your child's work with them in their classroom. The area near the Early Years entrance will also be available. When you have finished please go with them to return their drawer to class.

For those of you with siblings then I know that you will be well organised and collect your children appropriately.

The afternoon will be very busy but if everyone is calm and sensible then it should be a happy successful afternoon.

Thanking you in advance for your support with this.

Mrs Sara



SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

Friday May 5th = Blue Class

Friday May 12th = Reception 1 & 2

Parents and carers will be invited to the School hall for 2.20pm to have a chat and a cup of tea or coffee. The children will come in at 2.50pm to showcase their talents. Fundraising will take place with the sale of cakes (nut free please), raffle etc. This will be to support the class with buying some little extras and to help raise money for our school charity The Ghanaian Children's Trust. We will let you know via the newsletter how the children have decided to spend their class money.

Blue Class
Friday 5th May

If you can help, please speak to Mrs Lamb.

Please send any donations of nut free cakes in on the morning of the assembly and remember to bring some change for raffle tickets.



Message from the Chair of the FGPFs

Thank you to everyone who has been in touch over the last week, your help is very much appreciated.

We still need a few volunteers to help out at the Easter Fun morning next Thursday between 9.15 and 11.15. Please let me know asap if you can by emailing 2005friends@gosforthpark.newcastle.sc.h.uk, talking to me or let the office know.

After the Easter holidays we will be stepping up the planning for the Summer Fayre which is on Saturday 17th June 11am to 1pm. We are currently looking for donations for raffle prizes such as gym or swim passes, meals out, vouchers and stalls for the day. If you have ideas or please use the contacts you have to help us raise money for the school.

Jane Alley

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

WHAT'S GOING ON AT GPFS

Previous notice of dates, trips etc. have been put on the calendar on the school website. During the course of the term and year there will be additional dates as staff are busy organising curriculum link visits; we will also have visitors in to talk to the children-topic linked etc. Mrs Hall has kindly put the dates on the school website calendar and she will update the website calendar on a weekly basis

- FGPFs Easter Fun Morning = Thursday 6th April
- KS1 topic themed visit to Alnwick Castle on Friday 7th April

RED NOSE DAY

Well done to the following competition winners who won a prize for designing a new red nose!

Class	1st	2nd
Rec 1	Hannah F	David T
Rec 2	Jinhong	Charlie
Green	Claire M	Havish
Orange	Patrick	Sam
Yellow	Nina	Fraser
Violet	Layla	Shuwen
Indigo	Jack M	Olivia R
Blue	Harry J	Kirsten

We are delighted to announce that your kind donations totalled a whopping **£432.94** for Comic Relief.

Thank you so much for your generosity.



Hello all art lovers!

Using the Ghana theme for this term as an excuse we are delighted to bring you a 'once in a life time' opportunity to view and purchase an original piece of art. This offer will be available to you during the last week of term!

Your child is producing a framed piece of art with an African/Ghanaian theme taking inspiration from the colours and culture of this beautiful continent. At the viewing on April 3rd you will be able to look at the wide variety of work that classes from Reception to Year 4 have produced.

The framed prints will be available for sale at £5 each – a lovely Easter gift maybe? These can be purchased and taken away when you come to view your child's work or at the parent's evenings on 4th and 6th of April.

Should you be unable to attend the parent's evenings other arrangements can be made with your child's class teacher.

This is a great opportunity for us to further support the King Jesus Orphanage and we are hoping the money raised will buy much needed mattresses for the children at a cost of £25 each.

Thank you in anticipation of your support

Enjoy the art!

Mrs Thorpe



Congratulations to Aurelia (Orange Class) who has achieved her **Stage 1** Swimming Award!



Greggs Children's Cancer

Run

Sunday 21st May 2017

Have you signed up? To get an early bird discount sign up before the end of March to run together as a school.

<http://www.neccr.org.uk/event/childrens-cancer-run-2017/>



Reception Runner - Energetic Esme!

On Sunday 26th March, Esme (Rec 1) was awarded her half marathon wrist band at the Town Moor Junior Park Run. This means that she has completed 11 runs of 2km.

The Junior Park Run is a free weekly event for children aged 4-14. It takes place every Sunday at 9am on the Town Moor. All you need to do is register online. More information is available on the Town Moor Juniors Facebook page or at

www.parkrun.org.uk/townmoor-juniours/

Attendance News

Our figure for school attendance to date this term is 96.9%, up from 96.5% last year! Well done!!

Attendance



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by Yellow and **Blue** classes! Well done to everyone!

Mrs Lamb



Healthy School

"Eat your breakfast. It's the most important meal of the day!"

Why are grown-ups always saying that?

Well, imagine you're a car. After a long night of **sleeping**, your fuel tank is empty. Breakfast is the fuel that gets you going so you can hit the road!

The following foods are all great ingredients for a healthy breakfast.

Fruit and vegetables: all fruit and vegetables that are fresh, tinned, dried, frozen or in juice form are good for you. (Just be careful of things like tinned peaches in syrup as these are higher in sugar than those in their own juice.)

Starchy foods: bread (especially wholemeal), rice and cereals (especially wholegrain) that are lower-sugar and lower-salt.

Milk and dairy: cheese, low-fat yoghurt and lower-fat milk.

Non-dairy protein: meat, fish, eggs, beans and unsalted nuts.

Mrs Lamb



Easter Fun Morning



The FGPFs are organising an Easter Fun Morning for the children on Thursday 6th April. This includes Morning Nursery.

Afternoon Nursery will be given an opportunity to have some fun activities in the Nursery classroom organised by the School Council.

The children can also wear Easter themed hats or 'bunny ears' as part of the fun.

The FGPFs are asking for a donation of up to £2 from each child to take part in the Easter Fun morning. Due to the success of last year the children are looking forward to all the special activities which the FGPFs have planned. This would not be possible without parents, teachers and friends such as Michelle from ASDA. If you are able to help please let Jane Alley know, Chair of the FGPFs. You can leave a message at the School Office for her. Thank you for your support,



Annual Open Day, Friday 23rd June
'Please Save the Day'

Our annual Open Day is on Friday 23rd June. The event starts off with our famous Family Picnic on our wonderful grounds at, 'NOON'. The theme this year is Ghana with other links to Africa. As you are aware we have been fund raising for the Ghanaian Children's Trust to support the 'King Jesus' Orphanage. Two of the Trustees from the Orphanage who are Guide Leaders will be visiting and will speak with parents and children. We will have lots of active learning for you to do with your children. I am hoping for some 'African Dancing' for us all to join in with.

More information nearer the time.