



Gosforth Park First School

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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 14th July. The reports are for Nursery to Year 4. Early Years parents will also receive the 'Treasured' Learning Journals to share with their child. Also, remember EYRS parents, keep them safe and show your child when they reach 18.

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 20th July. These reply slips are kept in school and form part of our record of communication between parents and school. 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.

Gosforth Gets Going Trust events and Key Stage Sports Afternoons

Our children have been enjoying a week of sports activities in and out of school. They have been taking part in joint the Gosforth Schools' Trust sports events. We have already hosted Glow Zumba for groups of ten YR1 children from the various schools in our Trust. Further events are:

- Cross Country
- Football
- Yoga
- Cricket

Many thanks go to Miss Storey who has worked very closely with the Sports curriculum leads at the 9 First Schools in the Trust.

The children have also had their Sports afternoons where you have been able to watch and cheer, thank you. All the Sports afternoon activities have been organised by staff to ensure that the children have fun, competitive opportunities in an environment of mutual support.

Last Week, week beginning Monday 17th 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. The staff and I are very proud of the children's successes and in turn I am very proud and appreciative of my staff and our children. Well done everyone. Thank you so much to all of you for your wonderful support, this includes extended family as well; it is really appreciated and valued.

Last week:

- **Monday 17th Children and staff only** = YR4 Dress rehearsal of their show, top secret from YR4 parents.
- **Tuesday 18th** = Green Class visit to Scalini's, Gosforth
- **Wednesday 19th** = 10.50am = Morning Nursery Leavers' Awards in the EYRs Garden- Nursery parents invited
- **Wednesday 19th** = 2.30pm = Afternoon Nursery Leavers' Awards in the EYRs Garden- Nursery parents invited
- **Thursday 20th = 9.10am - YR4 Leavers' Show and Awards, YR4 parents/grandparents invited** (children can get their sweat shirts, polo tops, signed by staff and friends throughout the day)
- **Thursday 20th = afternoon, Children only = YR4s Leavers' Party, memo will be sent out by Mrs Lamb.**
- **Friday 21st** = Special mini assembly 9.10am - Mrs Murdock's violinists showcasing their talents / Mr Hamilton's musicians, clarinets and recorder players showcasing their talents. Invites have been sent out to the parents of the children taking part by the peripatetic teachers.
- **Friday 21st** = Children's Talent Show, organised by Mrs Wilson = children and staff only
- **Friday 21st** = Children can bring in a game to play with a friend, card swapping with me at some point in the hall. Please note that these must be in a named bag which the children can carry. Please note **no electronic devices or gadgets please**. Children bring things in at their own risk and must take responsibility for them.
- **Last Day of the academic Year Friday 21st** End of the School Day = 3.30pm as usual



URGENT PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for next week. They will be able to take them home on Thursday 20th July. Staff will still be doing PE with their class and hopefully this means outside in the fine weather.

Reminder -YR4 LEAVERS' SHOW FOR YEAR 4 PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS ON THURSDAY 20th JULY

As previously advised in newsletters of this event on Thursday July 20st July starting at 9.15am (parents/grandparents can be seated for 9.10am, you will have to queue outside school as the hall will have to be set up after the Out of School Club have gone). The children and staff are preparing a show which will last approximately 50 minutes. 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. Mrs Lamb and Mrs Thorpe will be sending out a memo to you about the time they need the YR4s to come into class on the morning of the 20th to get changed etc. for their 'show'. We politely request that pre-schoolers do not attend.

NURSERY Places for September 2017 - URGENT

We have some afternoon places available for September 2017, 15 hours, 12.30pm - 3.30pm for five sessions per week. If you know of anyone who would like a place please ask them to contact the School Office ASAP. Parents are able to you use their 30 hrs funding for Nursery settings, child minders, playgroups etc. However, at our school in the Gosforth Cluster of Schools, we offer, five three hour sessions am / pm on a daily basis.

Thank you for your support.

CLASSES 2017-2018

Nursery = Ms Gasper / Mrs Armstrong – supported by Mrs Mayer, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Loftus

Reception 1 = Mrs Renwick/Mrs Laws – supported by Mrs Matthewson

Reception2 = Miss Walsh – supported by Miss Smith

Green YR1 = Mrs Gordon (4 days) / Mrs Wells (1 day) – supported by Mrs Hall

Orange YR1 /2 = Mr Phipps – supported by Mrs Dlay

Yellow YR2 = Mrs Howitt – supported by Mrs Tudor

Indigo YR3 = Mrs Thorpe (4 days) Mrs Thompson (1day) supported by Mrs Dlay

Violet YR 3/4 = Miss Cogdon supported by Mrs Hall

Blue YR4 = Mrs McClurg (nee Pace) supported by Mrs Tudor

Mrs Wilson will be supporting children in KS2 / Mrs Hall will be supporting children in KS1

Mrs Lamb will be PPA release teacher for KS1 & KS2 staff and will also do Numicon maths support with groups of children. She will also undertake work as part of her DHT duties

Mrs Wells will be PPA cover teacher for EYRs staff

Our regular supply teachers are Mrs McKendrick, Mrs Piacesccka, Mrs Winterburn, Mrs Thompson and we welcome back Mrs Young,

Goodbyes

As already advised Miss Storey will be leaving us on Friday 21st July. She will take up her new post in September 2017. She has been a great asset to our school team, the children and to our school. She will be such a great miss but will prove to be a great asset to her new school.

Mrs Foster an LSA who has been doing some support in school will be finishing her work at GPFS at the end of term. She has been a super support and will be missed.

ZUMBA-thon!



Thank you to the parents who have sent in sponsor money for our Zumbathon on Monday. It's not too late – please send any remaining sponsor money in by the end of next week. We are almost at our £2000 target for Ghana.

Mrs Wilson



On Wednesday and Thursday Year 3 and Year 4 visited King Edwards Bay, Tynemouth. We were met on the sand by the Lifeguard team and given a safety talk before having great fun building sandcastle cities and replicas of the River Nile. After our picnic lunch and trek to the toilets we then had a good old Geordie 'plodge' in the sea. We were so lucky that the sun was shining for us and a brilliant time was had by all.

The children's behaviour was excellent on both days! Well done!

Mrs Lamb



Well done to Sharon Joseph who has been awarded her Infant Silver Star and Infant Second Award for Contemporary Freestyle Dance – both with distinction!

Attendance News

Our figure for school attendance to date this term is **97.3%**, up from 96.6% last year! Well done!!

Attendance



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Reception 2** and **Yellow** classes! Well done to everyone! Mrs Lamb



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look out for Change for life 'Shake Up' activities in your child's reading folder today. Miss Cogdon