

Gosforth Park First School

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Book Fair Week & Coffee Afternoon on Friday 18th November







The Book Fair will be arriving on Monday 14th **November;** books will be on sale in the School library. This will be Monday to Thursday of this week after school for half an hour; 3.30pm -4.00pm. However, on Friday 18th there will be a Book Fair Coffee afternoon in the School Hall -2.15pm. Parents and relatives can come in to browse without their children and have a chat. From **2.30pm** parents can collect their child/ren to visit the Book Fair in the hall. I will sanction an early finish from **3.00pm** only to children who have visited the Book Fair and who are with their parents, carers. The Book Fair has to close at **3.40pm** as the Out of School Club must have access to the School Hall for their children. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SHOE BOX APPEAL

Don't forget the deadline to send in the shoeboxes is **Friday 18th November.**

Thanking you in advance for your support.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS



Please make a note of the information on your calendars.

This year KS2 have decided that they won't be doing an evening performance.

Dress Rehearsals will be on the following dates:-

 Reception 1 & 2 and Morning Nursery
Friday 9TH December 9.30 am – 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'

Key Stage 1 Friday 9TH December
2.00pm – 'Babushka'

• Key Stage 2 Monday 12th December 9.30am – 'Victorian Christmas'

• Reception 1 & 2 and Afternoon Nursery Monday 12TH December 2.00pm – 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'









Main Productions

Please note that babies, pre-school children, including Nursery aged children, are invited to attend the dress rehearsals. The main productions are for adults only.

All the children in school will watch the productions at the Dress Rehearsals.

For the actual performances due to hall capacity tickets will be sent out for KS1 & 2 nearer the time, two per family.

The FGPFS will kindly- FOR THE MAIN PERFORMANCES ONLY be serving COFFEE/TEA and raffle tickets prior to the performances

The Main Performances are on:

Tuesday 13th December 2.00pm= Reception 1&2 and Afternoon Nursery 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' Wednesday 14th December 9.30am = Reception 1&2 and Morning Nursery 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' Thursday 15th December 2.00pm = KS1'Babushka' Friday 16th December 2.00pm = KS2 'Victorian Christmas'.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have one vacancy for a Parent Governor on the Governing Body of the School. If anyone is interested in taking on this role and being involved in the continued success of the school, please collect an information pack from the School office; available from Monday 14th November.

We have always been so fortunate in having excellent support from parents. There are six formal Governing meetings per year and other sub-group meetings; it is a commitment and hopefully a good one.

The deadline for registering an interest is Friday 18th November. I have been informed by Governor Services that this is open to Nursery parents as well.

If you wish to talk to the Chair of Governors, Mrs M Higgins or myself you are most welcome to do so, please contact the School Office.



The 10 tips to help you stay fit and healthy:

- 1. Food is Fun... Enjoy your food
- 2. Breakfast is a very important meal
- 3. <u>Eat different foods every day, variety is the recipe</u> <u>for health</u>
- 4. <u>Which group would you tip for the top? Base your</u> <u>food on carbohydrates</u>
- 5. <u>Gimme five! Eat fruits and vegetables with each</u> <u>meal and as tasty snacks!</u>
- 6. Fat facts. Too much fat is not good for your health
- 7. <u>Snack attack! Eat regularly and choose a variety of</u> <u>snacks</u>
- 8. <u>Quench your thirst. Drink plenty of liquids</u>
- 9. <u>Care for those teeth! Brush your teeth at least</u> <u>twice a day</u>
- 10. <u>Get moving! Be active every day</u>

Miss Cogdon



Next week we are going to be raising money for CHILDREN IN NEED. For a donation of £1 you can come to school on Friday dressed in spots! This year's theme is Spotacular!

There will also be an opportunity to buy raffle tickets costing 20p each and you can enter our colouring competition for 20p too!

Thank you for your support

Miss Cogdon

Thanking you in anticipation.

FGPFS Upcoming events:

What a busy time we have coming up before Christmas! So many different things organised to raise funds for our children.

Next week is the BOOK FAIR organised by Mrs Renwick and staffed by parents. Thank you to Sarah Taylor who has organised the parent volunteers. Book fair will be open Monday to Thursday after school in the library for half an hour and on Friday we will relocate to the hall and invite all parents to come along from 2.20 pm and be joined by children at 2.40 pm to have a cup of coffee or tea and buy the books of your choice.

Also next week we have our annual FGPFS/ AGM Tuesday 15th at 7pm at school. Come and join in and help us plan future events.

On Tuesday 22nd November is the next QUIZ NIGHT at the 3 Mile Inn. Quiz starts at 8pm in the upstairs room but come along from 7pm if you wish to have food before the quiz starts. Tickets on sale from Monday 14th. Last quiz was successful and parents were talking about class quiz teams competing against each other, is that still going to happen? Remember the Quiz is an open invitation to friends of Gosforth Park First School so please bring along any grandparents, neighbours to have a night of fun! (over 18yrs due to location)

Friday 2nd December is DRESS DOWN DAY to bring in gifts for the surprise room. Please bring in something that is suitable for the children to give as a gift and that you would be happy to receive yourself.

Saturday 10^{th} December is SCHOOL DISCO 3-4.30. We have a new DJ this year and some extra fun and games (as we are not having a Christmas Fayre) so make sure the children bring along a little bit of spending money too! Tickets on sale from school on Monday 28^{th} December. We also need more volunteers to help us on the day; 1 hour slots available from 2.45 – 3.45 pm or 3.45 – 4.45 pm or full 2 hours slots, please get in touch with me if you are able to help.

Class Productions are between Tuesday 13th and Friday 16th December. At the productions we offer tea, coffee and biscuits but need help to set up and serve. So far we have had a few volunteers but not enough to cover all the productions. If you able to help then please let me know asap.

On the up!

Our figure for school attendance to date this term is 97.7% - up from 97.4% last year! Well done!!

Mrs Lamb

Attendance - Classes of the Week!



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

Mrs Lamb



Congratulations to ChloeTristram (Blue Class) and SamTristram (Orange Class); they have had a Taekwondo grading – Sam has been promoted to 9th kup (yellow stripe) and Chloe to 8th kup (yellow belt). Well done!



