



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.

Volunteers in School

If you would like to volunteer to come in and help in school we would welcome this. However you must be police cleared (called DBS). Information on how you can apply for the clearance can be obtained from the School Office. Please see Mrs Douglas or Mrs Eltringham.

Thank you

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

- Year 4 residential visit to Robinwood Activity Centre on Wednesday 29th March to Friday 31st March
- FGPFs Easter Fun Morning = Thursday 6th April
- KS1 topic themed visit to Alnwick Castle on Friday 7th April



Parking

Help Please

The Golf Club has approached one of the local area Councillors about cars being parked along the access road to the Golf Club. I have said that I will contact the headteachers at: Broadway East, St Oswald's and GEMs to alert them to the problem. Can we please remind parents not to park down the access road to the Golf Club as this is causing problems e.g. access for emergency vehicles getting to the Golf Club and causing danger to pedestrians who walk down the access road. Please be careful near the car park area as irresponsible parking can block access for pedestrians and this is dangerous to the children and adults. If anyone gets any abuse please inform the police first, record the details, including registration number and let the school office know as well. Thank you so much to our parents who park safely and responsibly.

RED NOSE DAY

Friday 24th March

It was lovely to see the children in a sea of red in assembly this morning! Miss Cogdon led the assembly explaining to the children what Red Nose Day and Comic Relief is all about and how their donations help others. Did you know...

- In Africa, £4 could fully vaccinate a child against five deadly childhood diseases.
- £3 could pay for a counselling session for a child who has lost their parents to Ebola in Sierra Leone.
- In the UK, £10 could provide three days of nutritious hot meals for a homeless young person.

Thank you so much for your donations. We have raised..... to be revealed next week!

Mrs Lamb



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/>



Don't forget about the clocks springing forward!

Daylight saving time 2017 in the United Kingdom will begin at 01:00 on Sunday 26th March 2017 and ends at 02:00 on Sunday 29th October 2017.

Also called Spring Forward, summer time, and Daylight Savings Time.



The following children were chosen to sit at Top Table today.
Well done!

Eva Ferguson, Amelie Lenham,
Mina Corso, Bassmala Maki,
Adam Farnaby, Callum Dalkin
and Mabel Coles.

Attendance News

Our figure for school attendance to date this term is 97.1% - 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 **Yellow** and **Violet** classes for the third week in a row!

Well done to everyone!

Mrs Lamb

THE SECRET LIFE OF...

Channel 4 series 'the secret life of ...' is returning to follow new groups of four and five year olds as they take their first steps towards independence.

The show is currently looking for groups of **four and five year old children** and their parents to take part in this programme for Channel 4. Your child would be needed for up to three weeks of filming during the summer holidays.

If you are interested please go to the below link to fill out the online application form.

<http://biy.ly/sloyoapply>



Healthy School

Any changes to your child's diet and lifestyle are much more likely to be accepted if they involve the whole family.

Eat at the table together – studies show that families who have regular meals at the table with no distractions (such as television) are more likely to be a healthy weight.

Miss Cogdon

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