



Gosforth Park First School

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Online Safety

With Safer Internet Day, Tuesday 7th, February, just around the corner we have invited Craig Johnson our ICT consultant into school on Friday 3rd February to talk to all children in school about how to stay safe on line and what to do when things go wrong. There will also be a Parent Workshop from 2:00 – 3:00. Parents who attend can then collect children a little earlier! There will be an invitation sent home soon so we can get an idea of numbers for resources needed.

Thanks

Mrs Lamb

Orange Class Special Assembly

Friday 27th January

If you can help, please speak to Mrs Gordon

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

During the course of the term there will be additional dates as staff are busy organising curriculum link visits.

Class Assemblies – Special Class Assemblies will be taking place over the term. The children will showcase some of their learning and this will enable parents to see what they have been doing. The Special Assemblies will take place on a Friday afternoon. Parents and carers will be invited to the School hall for 2.20pm to have a chat and a cup of tea or coffee. Fundraising will take place with the sale of cakes, 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. The children will come in at 2.40pm to showcase their talents. We do need some parents or family volunteers to help on the afternoons to do the teas and coffees, sell donated cakes (which need to come in on the morning of the class assembly). Donations of raffle prizes would be appreciated. Please see your child's teacher or contact the school office to say if you can help. Thank you in advance for your much valued help and support.

Friday January 27th = Orange Class

Friday February 10th = Yellow Class

Friday February 17th = Green Class

Friday March 10th = Indigo Class

Friday March 17th = Violet Class

Friday March 4th (Mother's Day) = Morning Nursery 10.40am teas etc children in for 10.55am

Friday March 24th (Mother's Day) = Afternoon Nursery, teas etc 2.15pm children in at 2.30pm

Friday May 5th = Blue Class

Friday May 12th = Reception 1 & 2





Please remember to send named water bottles to school each day.



We are starting to gather quite a collection of lost property. In order to help us return items quickly, please make sure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name. Thank you!



We have received a thank you from the Royal British Legion...

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal. £88.67 was collected by you. Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

On the up!

Our figure for school attendance to date this term is 97.4% - up from 96.8% last year! Well done!!

Mrs Lamb

Attendance - Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Indigo** and **R2** classes. Well done to everyone!

Mrs Lamb



Parking 'Help Please'

Thank you so much to our parents who park safely and responsibly. Can we please remind parents **not** to park down the access road to the Golf Club as there was an incident last year when an emergency vehicle was unable to get to the golf club because of this.

If anyone gets any abuse please inform the police first, record the details including registration number and let the school office know as well.

Chronicle Wish Tokens.

If you have any more Chronicle Wish tokens please can you send them into school. We are collecting them on behalf of Daft as a Brush. This charity was chosen by the Gosforth School's Trust School Council members as the local charity we could all support.

Many thanks GPFs School Council members



The 35th Children's Cancer Run - Sunday 21st May 2017

What a great day we had last year and thank you to everyone who helped to raise an amazing amount of money to support the cause.

We would love you to join us this year to make it even bigger and better!

Please complete an on-line entry form to join our team:

1. Go to www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk
2. Click Enter Now under the Run for My School option
3. You will be asked to Sign Up to Everyday Hero in order to register - this is a very quick and easy step. The easiest option is to do this through the email option.
4. Once you are signed in, choose individual or family entry making sure that you select our school from the drop down list
5. Complete the details for each member of your family and then click proceed to payment to complete the registration

Please note that the three and five mile courses are suitable for children Over 7. **All children must be accompanied by an adult** (parents can accompany their children on the Mini Mile without registering but please register if you would like to receive a t-shirt, medal and picnic).

All participants receive a t-shirt, medal and Gregg's picnic on the day. Metro radio will also be there to entertain everyone with music and competitions.

We would encourage you to do what you can in order to raise sponsorship as all of the funds raised will be used to fund the research team at Newcastle who are working to find better treatments and cures for childhood cancer. You can raise sponsorship via our school fundraising page that you can find a link to at www.childrenscancerrun.co.uk.

Details about our start time, t-shirts and run numbers will be sent out to you in early May. If you have any questions in the meantime please get in touch with Miss Storey.

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.

Thanking you in anticipation.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Joe Thompson (Orange class) who has achieved his 10 metre swimming!

Also to Sophia Cutmore (Orange class) who has achieved her Stage 4 ASA swimming award!



Well done to both of you!



Top tip - From an early age, try to give your child small amounts of various fruits and vegetables so they learn to like the taste. If they don't seem keen on cooked vegetables, try them on some vegetable crudité's or alternatively puree some cooked veg into a sauce.

Aim to incorporate a minimum of five portions of fruit and/or vegetables into your child's diet each day.

Miss Cogdon