



Gosforth Park First School

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Classes Next Year

On Wednesday 4th July you will be sent a slip saying which class your child will be in for September 2018 and who their class teacher will be. Please look in your child's reading folder. We will be doing an internal Transition session in school on Thursday 5th July where the children will go and meet and get to know their next class teacher and undertake some fun learning activities together. This year, our Year 4 children who are moving to Gosforth East Middle (GEMS) will have two Transition Days, Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th July.

As we approach the end of the year I would like to express thanks to our hardworking staff and bid a fond farewell to those members of staff who are leaving us.

Mrs Renwick, Mrs Laws and Mrs Mayer are retiring at the end of this year after many years of hard work and dedication at the school.

Mrs Gordon is will be leaving us at the end of this term after many years of hard work and dedication at the school. She isn't quite ready for retirement but is looking to experience a change of direction before that time comes.

We have recruited some excellent staff this term to join the Gosforth Park Team.

Mr James Hindess will be joining us in September as Assistant Head Teacher, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCO) and Year 4 teacher. Miss Gasper, our Nursery Teacher has been appointed as Early Years and Maths leader. Mrs Karen Patterson will be joining us in September to teach in Year 1 in the Autumn term. Mrs Joanne Hazel, Nursery Nurse, will be joining the Early Years team from September and Mrs Deborah Lucas will be joining our Support Staff Team in Key Stage Two.

I know you will join me in giving our new staff a warm welcome as they look forward to getting to know our children and families.

Many thanks to parents and governors for your ongoing support.

Mrs Lamb

School reading books and reading records will be collected in on Friday 6th July.

Thanks

Mrs Renwick



Fantastic news everyone! It is with great pleasure that I am happy to announce for the first time ever, the school has been awarded 'The School Games Silver Award'.

Everyone at Gosforth Park First School should feel very proud of this fantastic achievement as this was a whole school initiative over the past academic year. To achieve this award our children participated in high quality P.E. lessons, daily 'Go noodle' activities, active lunch times and play times, active lunch clubs and active after school clubs.

We have also been committed to attending more sporting events such as, Healthy Active Lifestyle events, Gosforth Gets Going events, School Games events and the Newcastle Dance Festival. A 'Personal Challenge Zone' was also set up in the playground. This gave the children the opportunity to become more involved in skipping, star jumps and hopping challenges to name but a few!

Thank you for all of your support and I hope you are all looking forward to Sports Week as much as I am!

Miss Walsh

Wow – a huge well done to Miss Walsh who has worked so hard towards gaining The School Games Silver Award this year. Many thanks to all of the staff and parents who have attended and helped out at events and of course to our wonderful children for being such good sports!

Mrs Lamb

School Sport Update

A huge well done to all of the children who represented the school in the 'School Games 500' events this week.

On Wednesday there was a Year 3/4 Football Event and a Year 1/2 Multi-Skills Event.

Football:

10 boys took part in the football event. They took the first match by the horns and played well as Joshua Buck scored 2 goals to take them with confidence to the next match which proved to be a harder game against St Johns and were defeated by 1 goal. Beech Hill was a tough game as both teams battled it out to the end, ending in a goalless draw. However, when they played Broadway East Marlin Kane scored a screamer of a goal to win 1-0. The pressure mounted as the team had to win their final game to get through to the semi-finals. They encouraged and supported each other to become 3-0 winners (Josh – 2, Max – 1) over Tyneview. The delight on their faces was amazing! We had to move pitches to play in the semi-final where we met Ravenswood Primary, who proved to be a well-oiled team. The minutes ticked by and at the end we had a 0-0 result. OH NO!! Dreaded penalty shoot-out. And with the final shot of the game, we were pipped to the post. The team were praised by staff from other schools on their behaviour and sportsmanship. Well done boys!

Mrs Wilson

Multi-Skills:

The children took part and enjoyed a variety of agility, balance and co-ordination activities. They had a chance to socialise with other schools across Newcastle and had lots of fun!

Miss Young

Then on Thursday there was a Year 1 /2 and a Year 3 / 4 X-Country Running Event.

Year 1/2 and 3/4 X-Country Running:

Our school were fantastic! What a great team! Boys came second as a team and the girls were third of all Newcastle Schools. There were also some great individual efforts with Ethan Fullen who came 3rd from 100 or so runners! Well done to all!

Mr Phipps

Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to all of the staff and parents who helped!

Miss Walsh

Dates for your calendar

Monday 2 nd July	KS2 Trip to Alnwick Gardens
Wednesday 4 th July	Transition Day for Year 4 pupils moving to middle school
Thursday 5 th July	Transition Day for Year 4 pupils moving to middle school
Week beginning 9 th July	Sports Week (more information to follow)
Monday 9 th July	School Choir Concert at The Sage, Gateshead
Monday 9 th July	Reception Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 10 th July	KS1 Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 11 th July	Nursery Sports Day
Thursday 12 th July	KS2 Sports Afternoon
Friday 13 th July	End of year reports to parents from reception – Year 4, reply slips to be returned by Wednesday 18 th July
Thursday 19 th July	Year 4 Leavers Special Assembly 9:10 – 11:30
Thursday 19 th July	Year 4 Leavers Party (afternoon)

Attendance News

Our attendance this week is 96.6% which is down on this time last year (97.1%).

29 lates this week – 20 families.



Classes of the Week!



The attendance cups for this week's best attendance were won by **Reception 2** and **Green** classes!



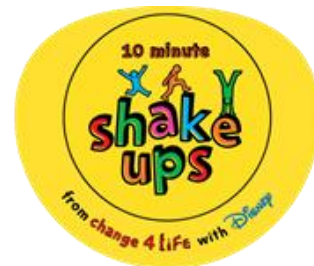
The Mathletics trophy was awarded to **Orange** class this week. A special mention goes out to **Zach Miladinov** and **Daniel Irving** who were our Mathletes of the week.

Class	Homework
Mrs Gordon	Mathletics - Addition and Subtraction
Mr Phipps	Mathletics-weight and volume activities
Miss Young	Mathletics-Money
Mrs Thorpe	Measures sheet
Miss Cogdon	Adjectives sheet 7,8,9 times tables
Mrs McClurg	Mathletics - Symmetry

Congratulations!

Well done to Emily and Lauren Graham from Rec 2 who have both achieved their 10metre swimming badges.

Well done to Patrick Quinn who has achieved his Yellow belt in Karate.



'Change 4 Life' 10 Minute Shake Up!

Here at Gosforth Park First School we promote the Governments initiative of encouraging every child to be active for at least **60 minutes** every day. Here is an activity endorsed by the 'Change 4 Life' campaign which you and your family may enjoy playing.

Sea Skipping with Mona -

<https://www.nhs.uk/10-minute-shake-up/shake-ups/sea-skipping-with-moana>

Watch out for next week's game!

Miss Walsh

