



Friday 19th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



What a cold week we have had! The children have dealt with it very well. This week we have been visited by the NSPCC; which has been very informative and we have really enjoyed our first full week of the new literacy scheme. This term Mr Bridges has also launched new History and Geography schemes which we will be embedding over the course of the year. We have shown around two sets of parents and had external visitors this week. It is a pleasure to hear the positive comments about how polite, well-behaved and focussed the children are and how the school feels very connected and like one big family. Thank you for all of your continued support in helping the children to AIM HIGH and follow the Golden Rules.

Midday Supervisor Position

We are currently looking to recruit a midday supervisor, starting as soon as possible. The hours are 11:45am until 1:15pm and this is suitable on a part time/full time basis. If you are interested, even in doing just a few sessions a week please contact the school office.

Early Birds

Can I please remind parents who use Early Birds that it is from 8:10am, we are having some earlier attenders and this affects other members of staff, please do not ring the buzzer until 8:10am. We are able to offer Early Birds from 8:10am to 8:30am every morning. Please continue to pay in the usual way via ParentPay and pay £2.50 in advance for all sessions. There is no need to pre-book, just feel free to bring your child along on any day you need to.

FOGS

Please sign up to Easy Fundraising and look for Friends of Gretton School, as this is a really easy way to raise much needed funds for our fab little school!

After the huge success of last year's Spring raffle, we are planning another for this Spring! Do you work for a company that would be willing to donate a prize to the raffle? Or, do you have any contacts that you think might like to donate? Any help would be amazing! Last year we raised £800 which all went towards Gretton School and it would be great to do the same again this year!



NSPCC assembly and workshops

On Wednesday this week, all classes participated in a NSPCC assembly which was hosted by Ant and Dec. The children met Buddy, NSPCC's speech bubble mascot. Buddy talked to the children about speaking out and staying safe and the importance of talking to a safe adult if anything is ever bothering them.

On Thursday morning, years 2, 5 and 6 participated in a class based worship which was led by NSPCC volunteers.

We were all extremely proud of the children's engagement, attitude and maturity during these workshops and the children were very positive about what they had learned.

The NSPCC offers lots of support to parents which covers topics like sleep, emotional wellbeing, healthy relationships and social media use. If you would like to find out more about the support that the NSPCC offers to parents please visit their website <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/>

Mrs Dodd

Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter, if there is anything that you would like to contribute please feel free to email me head@gretton.gloucs.sch.uk or the office admin@gretton.gloucs.sch.uk

Mr Sallis and the Gretton Team

House Point Trophy

Our winning house this week was Stanley and I look forward to wearing the blue tie next week.

House Name	Previous Total Number of Discs	This Week's Result	Current Total Number of Discs	Current Position
Cleeve	0	4th	1	4th
Langley	0	2nd	3	2nd
Stanley	0	1st	4	1st
Sudeley	0	3rd	2	3rd

Gold Book Nominations (19.1.24)

Robins

Thea for some fantastic writing about the Gingerbread Man this week and for always trying so hard with her sounding out and letter formation.

Kingfishers

Year 1 – Harlee for writing a wonderful poem. You should be so proud of yourself Harlee it was an absolute delight to read.

Year 2 - Jasper for trying so hard to include the correct punctuation in his writing. You are a star Jasper. Keep up the amazing work.

Owls

Yr 3- Lucy for using some excellent noun phrases in her writing and clearly explaining her reasoning in Maths.

Yr 4 - Hamish for persevering with dividing numbers by 10 and 100 and for making efforts to present his work more clearly.

Eagles

Year 5 - Lottie for having great editing skills and always looking to create the best piece of writing she can.

Year 6 - Rubylee for always being willing to share her ideas with the class and for working hard to improve her writing.

Gretton Golden rules award – This term the focus is - We Are Kind and Respectful

Robins – George for always showing such excellent kindness and respect for those around him and for our classroom.

Kingfishers – Barney you always show amazing respect in the classroom with your excellent listening. Keep it up.

Owls – Toby for always being so willing to support others with their learning.

Eagles - Bea for adhering to the golden rules by helping others and always being kind.

Spring Term 2024 Diary Dates

Thu 1 st Feb	My Plan Meetings with Mrs Dodd (1pm - 6pm) Vision and Measuring YR & Y6
Mon 5 th Feb	Children's mental health week
Thu 8 th Feb	Cross country Race 4 - Vineyards
Mon 12th Feb	Half Term
Mon 19th Feb	Spring Term 2
Thu 22 nd Feb	Cross country Race 5 - Vineyards
Thu 29 th Feb	Cross country Fun Run - Vineyards
Mon 4 th Mar	Assessment Week
Mon 11 th Mar	Science Week
Tues 12 th Mar	Parents Evening - 3:30pm - 6pm
Thu 14 th Mar	Parents Evening - 3:30pm - 6pm
Wed 20 th Mar	Tag Rugby Tournament (Newlands Park)
Fri 22nd Mar	End of Spring Term