



# Gretton Primary School

*Learning and working Together*

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



What an amazing World Book Day we had yesterday, lots of amazing costumes and lovely discussion about the books and authors. Thank you for your hard work in making such a wonderful event happen. Over the course of the week we have also shared some lovely Zoom sessions with poets and authors which has given us all a real insight into the writing process.

Children have also done really well this week as we have completed assessments ready for our parents' evenings, a great opportunity for us to share all of the amazing progress they have made. Mrs Dodd and Miss Cross delivered a great staff meeting around adaptations and using Widget which we will see being implemented more and more over the next few weeks.

In the background, our Senior Leadership Team has already been discussing September and the plans that we are putting in place over the next term. We will update parents as soon as we have more information.

**GOLDEN RULE FOCUS THIS HALF TERM: We Show Good Manners**

## World Book Day

World Book Day was a huge success! The children loved seeing all the fantastic costumes, sharing their favourite books and creating some amazing potato characters! Thank you for all your support with organising costumes for the day and your continued support with reading at home, it is hugely appreciated!

Miss Cross



## Early Birds

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 update

**Kingfishers Cake Sale - 15th March**

🍰👤 Next Friday, the Kingfishers are holding a cake sale after school! Eagles and Owls raised £259 (collectively) at their cake sales and there will be a prize for the class who raise the most! Please come along and buy some treats! Your support at these sales makes a huge difference! 🙏

## **GVA update**

The Gretton Hub will be open on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March between 10 and 12.30 in the Village Hall. Hot breakfast, drinks and cake will be available together with table tennis, book swap and games for the children. Come and drop in as part of the Mothers Day treat! It's all free.

## **Winchcombe News**

### **Brief: help us find a new name for a new venue**

#### **Background**

With the help of Government, Council, and generous donations from local residents, [Winchcombe Arts & Community Hub](#) charity were recently able to buy the Methodist Church building in the centre of Winchcombe.

Rather than see this lovely building become offices or shops, we thought if the community bought it we could make it into a much needed venue for events and entertainment that will benefit people of all ages in Winchcombe, as well as attracting people from the surrounding area.

#### **What are we planning at the new venue?**

We want to make the new venue a destination for people of ALL ages for:

- Music, drama, dance and spoken-word events;
- Markets showcasing the best of local creativity and food producers;
- Creative workshops;
- Family events such as film screenings;
- A wide range of activities for young people;
- Community-led events and activities, which we anticipate will include schools' and other educational events, classes and talks;
- Meeting and socialising, for example, a pop-up wellbeing café.

#### **What would we like you to do?**

We would like you to think of a name for the venue.

The name needs to be memorable and appeal to people of all ages attending events, as well as attracting performers and other users.

#### **Considerations**

The name needs to be simple, timeless and inspiring, and needs to work in advertising, on posters, on radio and social media.

It could be a name that reflects the history of the building or town, the events that will take place here, or just something that would make **you** want to see what it's all about.

It could be one word, for instance: Isbourne, Focus, Waves, Method, Spires, Moot; or more, for instance; The Fold, Agora Arts, The Haunt

Think about places you like to go to see gigs, films and exhibitions, or places you like to eat and drink or meet friends, they might give you inspiration for your name.

**Remember, this is your chance to put your stamp on an exciting place for everyone to enjoy, right in the middle of your town. Thank You!**

NB The final decision lies with the Trustees.

Winchcombe Arts & Community Hub

<https://wach.org.uk> Tel 01242 604341 or 07837 391744 for more info

## Message from Local Authority

We are in the process of recruiting volunteer Panel Members to assist with virtual School Admission Appeals. We are particularly in need of Parent Members (those with children currently in education).

Here's the link to the relevant page on the Gloucestershire County Council website:

[Apply to become a volunteer school appeals panel member | Gloucestershire County Council](#)



**Saturday, 30th March**

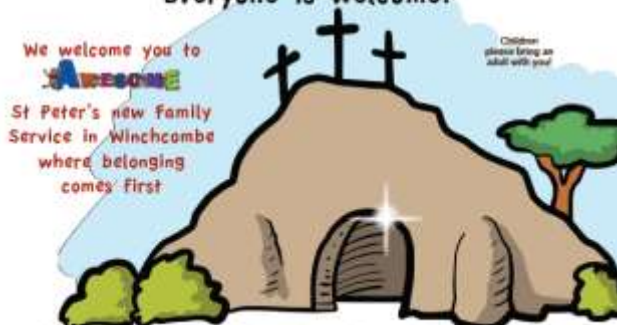
**4.00pm - 5.00pm**

**Winchcombe Abbey School Hall**

**Celebrate Easter with us!**

**Join us for a fantastic time of family fun for all ages. Great bible craft, games & activities, and of course cake!**

**Everyone is welcome!**



A promotional poster for an Easter event. The background is a soft-focus image of a grassy field with several colorful Easter eggs (pink, blue, green, orange, red) and white daisies. In the bottom right corner, there is a small image of a brown rabbit wearing sunglasses. The text is arranged in a clean, organized layout with a purple header and footer.

**PATA@ WINCHCOMBE EARLY YEARS**

**PATA @ Winchcombe's  
Egg-cellent Easter Event**

**Easter Egg Hunt,  
Refreshments, Stalls,  
Tombola & Raffle**

**Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
10am - 12 noon**

*Only £3 per child to take part in the hunt  
and receive an Easter egg prize!*

**Hop to: PATA@Winchcombe, Back Lane, Winchcombe, Gloucestershire GL54 5QJ**  
**winchcombe@pataglos.org.uk      01242 603631**

### **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](mailto:head@gretton.gloucs.sch.uk) or the office [admin@gretton.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@gretton.gloucs.sch.uk)

**Mr Sallis and the Gretton Team**

## House Point Trophy

In our house points assembly it was very close again, but our winning house this week was **Cleeve** and I look forward to wearing the **Green** tie next week.

House Name	Previous Total Number of Discs	This Week's Result	Current Total Number of Discs	Current Position
Cleeve	16	1st	20	1st
Langley	15	3rd	17	3rd
Stanley	15	2nd	18	2nd
Sudeley	14	4th	15	4th

## Gold Book Nominations (08.03.24)

### Robins

Quinn - for fantastic writing about Supertato this week and always challenging himself to use some great vocabulary!

### Kingfishers

Year 1 - Phoebe for trying really hard when learning tricky words in her phonics lessons. Well done

Year 2 - Robyn for trying really hard to be independent with her writing in class. Well done.

### Owls

Yr 3 - Aubrie for always showing great enthusiasm in all we do. On World Book Day you created a fantastic Mr Bump potato, showing imagination and ingenuity to make him some crutches and also wrote a good character description.

Yr 4 - Blake for making some good progress with his reading and joining in really well in our World Book Day Maths interactive book lesson.

### Eagles

Y5 - Bella for always working really hard and challenging herself to improve and achieve more.

Y6 - Doug - for working hard in all subjects this week and demonstrating some excellent mental maths skills in a head-to-head competition.

## Gretton Golden rules award - This term the focus is - We Show Good Manners

**Robins - Harry - for always displaying good manners in and out of the classroom.**

**Kingfishers - Olivia for always showing impeccable manners. You are a delightful student Olivia 😊**

**Owls - Jack who is always so polite and courteous. Well done Jack - you are a pleasure to have in the class!**

**Eagles - Daisy W - Always polite and shows excellent manners around school, especially when speaking with adults.**

**Nominated by Mrs d'Arcy - Rufus for being faultlessly polite, as he always is whenever I come across him.**

**Headteacher's Award from Mrs Lacey - Thea - Amazing teamwork in cricket coaching sessions.**

**TTRS Certificate**

**TT Rock Stars – Flo, Bella and Sofia for increasing the amount of times they played on TT Rock Stars last week. Well done. Keep up the great work!**

**Spring Term 2024 Diary Dates**

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Science Week
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parents Evening – 3:30pm – 6pm
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parents Evening – 3:30pm – 6pm
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Tag Rugby Tournament (Newlands Park)
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar</b>	<b>End of Spring Term</b>