



Friday 24th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you all for a very supportive summer half term. Once again, it has been a busy one and the children have excelled at every opportunity to AIM HIGH and achieve so much. Bellboating was a huge success on Monday so a big thankyou to the staff and volunteers that made the day so memorable for the children.

As we finalise plans for next academic year, I will ensure that there is as much information as possible as early as possible.

GOLDEN RULE FOCUS FOR NEXT HALF TERM: We Are Honest

Assessments

Some dates for parents to be aware of around assessments in school –

Year 4 Multiplication Check – Friday 7th June

Year 1 & 2 Phonics Test week – Monday 10th June

Year 2 SATs is a voluntary choice and this year we will be completing them, however they will run alongside our other school assessments so will be treated no differently, we will confirm the date in due course.

Accompanying this newsletter is the DfE guides to all of these assessments to help you gain a better understanding of what they include.

Nature Quiz

On Tuesday afternoon, our Nature Quiz team of Dougie, Wren, Alfie and Rosie bowed out of this year's competition in the Cheltenham Area Final of the Gloucestershire Wildlife Quiz. They competed brilliantly and narrowly lost to St. Mark's Junior School. I was stunned with the knowledge on show and each of the children represented Gretton superbly. Well Done!

Mr Stinchcombe

Readathon

A huge thank you to those who have already sent in sponsorship money for our Readathon this week! The children have enjoyed extra reading sessions in school and are all excited to raise money for such a good cause. Don't forget that our school also receives free books worth 20% of our grand sponsorship total! Please continue to send in your sponsorship money either online or via a cheque, made payable to Read for Good, by Tuesday 4th June.

Bellboating

Eagles and Owls had a fantastic day paddling on the river on Monday. We were blessed with beautiful weather and were very grateful our trip didn't fall on Wednesday instead - it wouldn't have been quite so much fun in all that rain!

The children listened very carefully to the instructions and there was some fantastic team paddling going on. We raced downstream though did find the return trip against the current a little more tiring! We got to go through the lock and even got a close up look at a weir as well as seeing loads of wildlife.

In the afternoon we practised racing in preparation for the regatta next month and even tried paddling whilst standing up!

Mr Bridges



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

Raffle tickets are still available for our Summer Raffle. There are some great prizes including The Ivy Cheltenham, Cotswold Wildlife park, Lessons and Glos Ski Slopes, High Ropes and loads more!

The draw will take place on 13th June.

Gretton Village Events for your diary:

Gretton Hub: The Gretton Hub will be open on Sunday 26th May from 10 until 12.30. Pop in for a chat and breakfast and let the children enjoy the games, table tennis and play area. Bring your old books along as the book swap is proving popular

A reminder that the "Walk for the Park" is being held again at Gretton Village Hall on Saturday 8th June, to raise money for the facilities in Gretton Playing Field. There will be a bouncy castle, bar and bbq from 4pm at the hall.

New route for the 30 mile (Extreme) and 10 mile (Serious) and the usual 2 mile (Family) are planned, and this year the Family route will include activities for children. Timings are 6am - 30 mile set off, 2pm - latest start for 10 mile, 3pm - latest start for 2 mile, 4pm - refreshments at the hall.

Please see details on the poster below for signups and sponsorships/donations.



13th July – Grand opening of the new Play Equipment and Village Fete. This event will commence at 2pm with the opening of the new Play Area by the Lord Lieutenant of Gloucestershire and be followed by stalls, activities and refreshments throughout the afternoon. The FOGS team are actively involved so please offer your support.

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

In our house points assembly it was very close again, but our winning house this week was **Sudeley** and I look forward to wearing the **Yellow** tie for the week back.

Congratulations to **Stanley** who won the half term competition.

House Name	Previous Total Number of Discs	This Week's Result	Current Total Number of Discs	Current Position
Cleeve	16	=3rd	18	=2nd
Langley	14	=3rd	16	4th
Stanley	16	2nd	19	1st
Sudeley	14	1st	18	=2nd

Gold Book Nominations (24.05.24)

Robins

John - for fantastic independent writing this week and growing in confidence with his sounding out!

Kingfishers

Y1- Ava for writing a fantastic story and making sure that she included lots of details.

Y2- Anna for writing a beautiful story with the use of adjectives and carefully chosen vocabulary.

Owls

Y3 Walker for showing a hardworking attitude, trying his best to work independently and for contributing well in class – Great work!

Y4 – Peggy for always having a positive, upbeat attitude and for making some thoughtful contributions in reading sessions.

Eagles

Y5 - Christina - for showing some brilliant calculations with decimal numbers.

Y6 - Daisy - for showing lots of focus writing a newspaper report based on Anne Frank's diary being found.

Gretton Golden rules award – This term the focus is - We Listen Carefully

Robins - Arlo

Kingfishers – Flo

Owls – Holy

Eagles - Evie

TTRS Certificate – Sofia, Effie and Aubrie

Summer Term 2024 Diary Dates

Mon 3 rd June -	INSET
Tues 4th June -	Term Starts
Tues 11 th June -	In The Net Y4 – Isbourne Valley
Mon 17 th June -	Y6 Bikeability
Tues 18 th June -	Tewkesbury Athletics – Tewkesbury School 6pm – 8:30pm
Weds 19 th June -	Stanway Rounders 5:30pm – 7pm
Mon 24 th June -	HSBC class talks
Weds 26 th June -	Kingfisher Slimbridge Trip
Thurs 27 th June –	Bellboating Regatta
Tues 2 nd July -	PC Curtis in to see Eagles
Weds 3 rd July -	Sports day
Fri 5 th July -	Reports to parents
Sat 13 th July -	Village fete and opening of new play area
Mon 15 th July -	Y6 Treat Day – Ice Quest
Fri 19th July -	End of Year