



Friday 21st June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



What an incredibly busy week, we had two sporting evenings at Tewkesbury athletics and Stanway rounders tournament, the Year 6 pupils completed Bikeability courses and we continued to work hard on plans for next year. The sun shining has meant we have been able to do all of this with a spring in our step, so long may it continue.

On the last day of term (Friday July 19th), at 9am we will be holding a special leavers assembly for our Year 6 class and their parents. We will then be finishing school slightly earlier on the day to allow us to move furniture to our new classrooms ready for September, **can I please ask that you collect children from school at 1:30pm on Friday 19th July.** I have been reliably informed that everybody will then go to the pub, so we will be able to see you there once moving has finished at around 3:15pm. We will be moving furniture so that in the first week of summer we can decorate every room in school to support our change of classes and give a fresh, clean look for the start of September. I will be sharing the decorating dates in a future newsletter as I was hoping to find volunteers from the community to help with the painting and decorating and general maintenance. I am also keen to hear from anybody who may be able to help with a number of murals we are planning. If you have any concerns around this arrangement please speak to me and we will be able to support you.

Can I please remind Robin's parents' to encourage your child to walk from the gate independently to allow them to get ready for Kingfishers next year.

GOLDEN RULE FOCUS FOR THIS HALF TERM: We Are Honest

Tewkesbury Athletics

What an evening we had on Tuesday at Tewkesbury academy, it was a wonderful event, which was well organised and fantastically attended, thank you to all the parents that came for their encouraging support. The children from KS2 did an incredible job of representing the school in a variety of athletics events. We finished with 4 1st places, 11 2nd places, 7 3rd places and 3 4th places to finish 3rd overall for small schools. Congratulations to all the children who showed determination and commitment to the events as well as a real sense of Team as a group. Mr Stinchcombe and I were very proud of all of the efforts the children made!

Stanway Rounders

In the glorious sunshine at Stanway cricket club, a group of Year 6 and some Year 5 pupils took part in the annual Stanway rounders tournament. This was an amazing event that is really unique and was a pleasure to take the children to. There was a lot of fun to be had and also the children put an enormous amount of effort into the games and supporting each other. Our 2 teams managed to finish 2nd and 3rd which was a wonderful achievement. Mrs Dodd, Mrs Sollis and I were very impressed, well done.



Cross Country

At the athletics the trophies were also given out for cross country and we won the Small Schools Girls Cross Country trophy. Congratulations girls! A big well done to all competitors, as well, because this year was massively affected by rain and flooding so it was a great job to be able to secure a trophy.

Year 6 Performance – For Year 6 parents

Year 6 have been busy practising for their end of year play. We will be performing it at 6pm on Thursday 11th July at Gretton Village Hall and the show will be between an hour and an hour and a half. The children from other year groups in the school will get to see the performance too, during the school day. There is a good amount of seating in the hall and each child is allowed to have maximum of 4 adults come and watch the performance.

Mr Stinchcombe

Cycling Proficiency

Congratulations to the Year 6 children who completed their Bikeability course, the instructors were very impressed with the ability and concentration of the children so well done.

Paris Olympics

To celebrate the Paris Olympics this year we are holding an Olympic themed day on Tuesday 16th July. On this day, the children will undertake several activities, all themed around the Olympics, in their house groups. We would like the children to dress up in the colours of a flag of their choice. Let your creativity flow, this can include hairspray, face paint or accessories! Hopefully, we will have a range of countries represented across the school to celebrate the Olympics which starts on the 26th July.



Sports Day

We are very much looking forward to Sports Day on Wednesday 3rd July. I just wanted to provide you with a few details to help you plan for this special event.

Sports Day will begin from around 1pm and will finish by 3pm. The children will then be walked back to school for collection as usual at 3.10pm. We would kindly ask that you refrain from collecting your children straight from the field as this makes keeping track of all the children much more difficult.

The children will compete in small groups, within their houses, in a carousel of activities for the first hour (siblings will be put in the same group) before taking part in individual races against children in their classes. We would encourage you to follow your child round and cheer them and their team along during the carousel of activities before taking your place in the spectators' area to watch the races.

Children will need to come dressed on the day in a t-shirt in the colour of their house group.

Please park considerately.

Finally, we would also welcome any volunteers to help out with supervising a few of the activities. Please let the office know if you are able to help. Thank you.

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

To the lucky winners of the summer raffle, prizes will be coming home with your child after school, unless you've received an email with the digital voucher/alternative prize.

Gretton Village Events for your diary:

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 **Stanley** and I look forward to wearing the **Blue** tie for the week.

House Name	Previous Total Number of Discs	This Week's Result	Current Total Number of Discs	Current Position
Cleeve	7	4th	8	2 nd
Langley	7	3rd	9	1 st
Stanley	3	1st	7	3 rd
Sudeley	3	2nd	6	4 th

Gold Book Nominations (21.06.24)

Robins

Ines - for beautiful independent writing this week.

Kingfishers

Y1- Ronnie - for producing an outstanding piece of writing in English this week. Well done Ronnie!

Y2- Kai - for using beautiful joined up handwriting when writing his postcard. Well done Kai!

Owls

Y3 – Jack - for excellent listening and working hard on tying his knots and lashings in Forest School. Great work Jack!

Y4 – Peggy - for the great effort and accuracy she showed in drawing polygons. Well done, Peggy!

Eagles

Year 5 - Molly - For doing a great job representing the school in the 2000m race at the Tewkesbury athletics competition, winning a silver medal. Molly also wrote a persuasive film pitch in class.

Year 6 - Bea - For having a fantastic week overall. She has excelled in judo, won the 100m race at the Tewkesbury athletics competition and represented the school in rounders.

Gretton Golden rules award – This term the focus is - We Are Honest

Robins - Harry

Kingfishers – Juno

Owls – Will

Eagles - Theo

TTRS Certificate – Penelope, Noah G and Robyn.

Summer Term 2024 Diary Dates

Mon 24th June - HSBC class talks
Weds 26th June - Kingfisher Slimbridge Trip
Thurs 27th June – Bellboating Regatta
Tues 2nd July - PC Curtis in to see Eagles
Weds 3rd July - Sports day
Fri 5th July - Reports to parents
Sat 13th July - Village fete and opening of new play area
Mon 15th July - Y6 Treat Day – Ice Quest
Wed 17th July - Teddy bears picnic – Big Friends; little Friends.
Fri 19th July - Leavers assembly for year 6 parents 9am
School finishes at 1:30pm
End of Year