



Thursday 24th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you so much for your support on the first term of this academic year. The children have been amazing and worked so hard all term, we are all very proud of their accomplishments. Thank you to so many of you who came to open afternoon, it was really lovely to see the children proud to show you their work. It is with great excitement that we are able to share that the D of E have agreed to Gretton Primary School joining Primary Quest. We can now start the process of moving systems over and getting greedy to join in the New Year.

Harvest Donation

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the Trustees and all the Volunteers of the North Cotswold Foodbank, I would like to thank all at Gretton School and Church for the generous Harvest Festival food donation received recently.

You may be interested to know that your donation weighed in at an excellent 26.9kg.

The North Cotswold Foodbank is getting busier each year and we have been able to feed many local families who have found themselves in desperate need. The majority of our clients are low-income, working families and they are all deeply grateful that others would consider them at a very difficult time in their lives.

With rising prices in energy and food, we have seen a marked increase in demand at our local Foodbank over the last three years. Your donation will help to ensure that our Foodbank is well stocked over coming months so that we can meet any further increase in demand, and help those in our community who are struggling.

Without your generosity, we would not be able to offer this help, so thank you all for your wonderful support and kindness - it is very much appreciated and it really does make a difference to so many lives.

Kind regards,

KEVIN CARDEN

Project Manager

North Cotswold Foodbank



House Tournament

We have agreed as a team of staff that the winners of each half term House competition will get a non-school uniform day and this will be the first Friday back after each holiday. Therefore, on Friday 8th November all children from **Stanley** will be able to wear non-school uniform.

Parent Survey

As ever, it would be really beneficial for us to gain feedback on how the school is performing in order to shape the future. Please follow the link below and complete the survey -

<https://forms.gle/QhPKcRSaRUZ5prFQA>

Ground Force Day

In anticipation of open mornings and driving the school forward I would like to ask for your support. On **Saturday 9th November** I am looking for any parents that might be available to help tidy the playground and bits and pieces around the school. Please sign up using the following link if you are able to help - <https://forms.gle/a76Sp3qtSfhvuc496>

Shoebox Collection

Mary will be collecting the shoeboxes from school on **Monday 18th November** so please get them into the office by then.

FOGS

Our wonderful treasurer Nicky Adams is stepping down after 4 years on the committee. FOGS raise essential funds for Gretton School but we cannot run without a treasurer.

What can you do to help ensure FOGS can continue?

We must to fill our treasurer role. This can be done by one or more people. You don't need to be an accountant, you just need some skills with spreadsheets, to be organised and good with numbers and ideally to attend our informal meetings 3/4 times a year.

As we are 'Friends of' and not a PTA, committee members don't need to be parents/carers therefore this role could be filled by someone else who fits the bill and would be willing to volunteer.

We are a really friendly team and will support anyone who is keen to take on the role. Please come and find us or drop us an email if you or anyone you know are interested.

friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com

Early Birds Update

We are able to offer Early Birds from 8am to 8:30am every morning. Please continue to pay in the usual way via ParentPay and pay £3 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.

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, but our winning house this week was **Langley** and I look forward to wearing the **red** tie for the first week back week.

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

Gold Book Nominations (24.10.24)

Robins

Lottie - for fantastic effort in our reading sessions this week and making excellent progress with her blending!

Kingfishers

Y1 - Freddie for working hard on his listening skills this week and for starting his tasks independently.

Y2- Amalie for working hard in her maths to use a number line and not being afraid to ask for help, a wonderful way to approach learning.

Owls

Y3 - Jasper for reading so much at home!! Your reading has made huge improvements as a result of this, well done.

Y4 - Aubrie for contributing positively to all class lessons and discussions and always showing such enthusiasm for her learning. Well done Aubrie!

Eagles

Y5 - Will - for some excellent work solving with fractions and for helping others develop their understanding.

Y6 - Poppy - for some really good creative writing and for editing her work to improve it.

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

Robins – Albie

Kingfishers – Anoushka

Owls – Gwen

Eagles - Theo

Autumn Term 2024 Diary Dates

Fri 25th Oct	INSET
Mon 4 th Nov	Start of Term 2 School photos Parents' Evening week (See newsletter 11.10.24)
Sat 9 th Nov	Ground force day
Mon 11 th Nov	Remembrance Day
Fri 15 th Nov	Open Morning
Weds 20 th Nov	Open Morning
Weds 4 th Dec	Open Morning
Fri 6 th Dec	"Life Education" activities
Weds 11 th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Mon 16 th Dec	Christmas performance (Robins and Kingfishers) 2:15pm
Tues 17 th Dec	Christmas performance (Robins and Kingfishers) 10am
Fri 20th Dec	End of Term 2 for pupils (1:30pm Finish)
Mon 6 th Jan	Start of Term 3
Thurs 30 th Jan	Y6 height and weight measurements