



Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you so much to all parents who attended the new format parents' meetings, it has been a success and the feedback has been lovely. This has been an excellent opportunity to share your children's successes and is a constant work in progress, so if you do have any feedback please feel free to email me. One area we will develop for the next round is our booking window and system to ensure it is effective.

Ground Force Day

Thank you to those people who have said they can help tomorrow. The main focus is tidying all of the outside of the school so if you are able to bring in gardening tools that would be great. I have provided a list of the jobs; myself and staff will be trying to paint some parts of the inside of the school. I will be at school from 9am, if you are able to pop in even for half an hour it would be very much appreciated.

Outside

- Tidy and weed front garden.
- Tidy and weeding path up to school.
- Hedges to be cut back around the boundary.

- Weeding and tidying around the boundary
- Leaves / rubbish within the MUGA (sweep and tidy).
- Leaves/rubbish within the playground.
- Rubbish behind the temporary classrooms (tidy/tip run).

- Weed growing boxes around school.
- Tidy, sort and sweep bin area.

Shoebox Collection

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

FOGS

We have a few more spaces on our Christmas Wreath Workshop on Friday 22nd November. Why not come along with a friend for a fun and festive evening! Booking below:

https://fogsfundraising.square.site/product/wreath_workshop/30?cs=true&cst=custom

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

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



NHS

Self-care information
Head lice & nits
Tips on how you can self treat head lice in adults and children

"Supporting you to look after you"

Key advice:

- Avoid head to head contact, or sharing hair brushes if you or your child have head lice.
- The 'wet combing' method can be very effective at getting rid of headlice.
- Special combs can be bought online or in pharmacies.
- If the 'wet combing' method has not worked, you may need a medicated lotion or spray. These can be bought in the supermarket or at a pharmacy. Speak to your local pharmacy for advice.

What are head lice and nits?

Head lice are small insects that live in the hair, and can be up to 3mm long. They can't jump or fly, but can walk from one head to another. They often die when away from hair.



They can be difficult to spot, and the only way to be sure someone has head lice is to find a live louse using a special fine-toothed comb.

Nits are the empty egg cases that can be found in the hair.



Other possible signs of having head lice are:

- Having an itchy scalp.
- Having a rash on the back of your neck.
- Feeling like something is moving in your hair.

How do I treat head lice?

Medicated lotions and sprays may not always be needed, and the 'wet combing' method can be very effective at getting rid of head lice.

Let your pharmacist know if you take any other medicines, or if you are pregnant or breastfeeding, as this may affect which treatments you can use safely.

House Point Trophy

In our house points assembly it was very close, but our winning house this week was **Cleeve** and I look forward to wearing the **green** 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 |
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| Cleeve | - | 1 st | 4 | 1 st |
| Langley | - | 4 th | 1 | 4 th |
| Stanley | - | 3 rd | 2 | 3 rd |
| Sudeley | - | 2 nd | 3 | 2 nd |

Gold Book Nominations (8.11.24)

Robins

Sonny- for fantastic recall of shape properties and working so conscientiously to create a picture in the style of Kandinsky!

Kingfishers

Year 1 – Jude for working hard on his phonics and writing this week, including his letter formation.

Year 2 – Hugo for demonstrating his ability to work extremely well with others and offer his support. What a lovely quality to bring to your learning!

Owls

Y3 - Freya for showing great resilience in Maths, even when it's getting tricky!

Y4 - Milo for consistently working hard and always engaging in class discussions. Well done Milo!

Eagles

Y5 - Albert for some really detailed responses to some challenging questions in guided reading.

Y6 - Rosie for always offering her thoughts and suggestions to group discussions and for always having lots of energy and enthusiasm with her learning.

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

Robins – Joseph

Kingfishers – Juno

Owls – Aurora

Eagles - Dougie

Autumn Term 2024 Diary Dates

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| 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 & Weight measurements |