



Friday 9th January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and what a great start to 2026. The children have come back focussed and ready to learn which is lovely to see. Miss Tyler and Mrs Patterson have settled in quickly to their new roles and the children are enjoying the environments that are being created. We have already had a wonderful pantomime trip and a big thank you to Mrs Dodd for organising and to the children for their exemplary behaviour, and I have already given out lots of Headteacher awards for outstanding work. This term our focus is on behaviours around school and unstructured times and also how we respect and take care of our school environment inside and out. Alongside a focus on Maths across the school. Thank you as always for your support.

Parking

Please can I ask for your support in sensible parking at drop-off and pick-up. It is imperative that you avoid the zig-zag lines and the pavement opposite the school as these both present risks to our children and families. Thank you for your understanding and please be considerate of adults who remind you of these rules when you are in a rush and may have forgotten.

Communication

A start of term reminder about communication with teachers – any informal conversation or logistical questions please pass on to the class teacher through Class Dojo; teachers are aware that it is a reply within two working days. Any formal communication please pass through the office who will share information to all appropriate stakeholders.

Books and reading

A polite request to please check at home if there are any school books that need to be returned this term and also to remind our KS2 pupils to take Accelerated Reader tests when they have completed their books. Thank you.

Pantomime



We all had a fantastic morning at the pantomime on Wednesday! It was Robins very first school trip and for some of the children their first ever visit to a pantomime. There were lots of cheers and excitement as Robin Hood and Maid Marian defeated the Sheriff of Nottingham, while Tweedy (aka Friar Tweedy) and his pet iron had us all laughing with their usual hilarious antics! We were so proud of how wonderfully the children represented the school throughout the trip. We would also like to say a huge thank you to FOGS for helping to subsidise the cost of this brilliant experience. It was a wonderful way to start the Spring term!

SEND Updates

SENDCo surgery

I will be holding my termly **SENDCo surgery on Friday 23rd January**. This is an opportunity for parents to meet with me to discuss any questions or concerns regarding their child. Also, if your child is not on the SEND register but you would still like to meet with me, you are very welcome to do so. Please contact the school office to book a slot.

Spring term My Plan meetings

Class teachers are currently reviewing the Autumn term My Plans and will be holding **My Plan review meetings** with parents during the **week commencing 26th January**. Next week, you will receive an appointment time to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their My Plan. We encourage you to attend these meetings, as they provide a valuable opportunity to celebrate progress, discuss support and plan next steps for your child.

SEND parents questionnaire

Finally, please take a few minutes to complete our [school SEND questionnaire](#). Your feedback is very helpful in understanding parents' views and planning future development for supporting our children here at Gretton.

Mrs Dodd



Supporting your child with

MANAGING EMOTIONS WORKSHOP

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| Hesters Way Children & Family Centre Dill Avenue Cheltenham GL51 0ES | Noahs Ark Children & Family Centre York Road Tewkesbury GL20 5HU |
| Wednesday 28 th January 2026 09:30-11:30 | Wednesday 11 th March 2026 12:30 - 14:30 |



Children often express their emotions in different ways. Would you like to gain some tips and advice on how you can support your children with their emotions?

Join us at this workshop to get some tips and strategies to support your children with regulating their emotions.

Aimed at parents with children under 11yrs.

W: aspirefoundation.org.uk

Booking Required via QR Code
<https://forms.office.com/e/SsrJwbWhtw7origin-lprLink>



FOGS

FOGS PTA Meeting – Wednesday 14 January, 7:30pm (Google Meet)

Please join us to finalise upcoming events and discuss funding requests.

As a small PTA, we urgently need more support to continue raising funds for the school.

Join us here: <https://meet.google.com/hxf-njtf-cxc>

Village News

The poster is for a 'Gretton Hub Digital Support Session'. It features logos for GRCC (Community Action in Gloucestershire) and DAISI (Digital Accessibility, Inclusion, Support & Innovation). The main title is 'Gretton Hub Digital Support Session'. Below the title, it says 'We want to know what your digital support needs are!' and 'We can help you with...'. There are five bullet points with icons: NHS app support, information on scams and staying safe online, accessing and organising emails, keeping in touch with friends and family through devices, and accessing the internet. A central orange circle lists the dates: 11th January, 8th February, and 8th March, from 10am-12:30pm. The location is Gretton Village Hall, Gretton, Nr Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, GL54 5EP. At the bottom, it provides contact information for Digital Triage: 07454 066116 or digital@grcc.org.uk, and social media handles @daisi_project.

Nut Policy

We are a nut free school; this is really important to keep some of our community safe. Can I remind you that this includes pesto which does contain nuts. If staff are aware of something in a lunch box then this may be sent home but we will inform you of this. Thank you for your understanding.

Early Birds

We are able to offer Early Birds from 8am (please don't try before 8am) to 8:30am every morning. Please pay £3 in advance for all sessions via ParentPay. 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

Friends of Gretton School Events 25/26

Welcome back—and a special hello to all new families! We've got lots of great events planned this year and would love your support. Whether joining the PTA or helping at a single event, every bit counts.

Get in touch by emailing friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com or come say hi!



Easy Fundraising!

- 1 My Name tag - Use our code 22047 at check out and we'll get 24%
- 2 Register with Easyfundraising.org.uk
- 3 Second Hand Uniform - Buy, sell and giveaway uniform www.uniformerly.co.uk
- 4 Employee Charitable Giving Schemes - We're a registered charity! Charity Number: 325037

TERM 1

October

03rd - Crazy Hair Day
04th - Gretton Village Apple Rock
22nd - Langley Halloween Cake Sale

TERM 2

November

14th - Movie Night KS1 & KS2
'28th' or '29th' - Wreath Making

December

12th - Xmas Disco
Xmas Cards

TERM 3

January

TBC - Break the Rules Day
TBC - Cleeve 'House Colours' Cake Sale

February

TBC - Movie Night KS1 & KS2
TBC - Stanley Valentines Cake Sale

TERM 4

March

TBC - Spring Raffle

TERM 5

April

TBC - Sudeley Easter Cake Sale
TBC - Easter Egg Hunt Gretton Village

TERM 6

May

Start of Fortnightly Ice Cream Sales

TERM 7

June

26th - Family Colour Run & BBQ

July

10th - Summer Disco
TBC - Gretton Village Fete,
*Refreshments at the Eagles Show

Gretton Hub

eat - drink - chat - play

The Gretton Village Association is pleased to announce the upcoming dates for the Gretton Hub offered with funding support from the UK Government.

We offer free food and refreshments for all in a friendly environment. Childrens games, a book swap and table tennis are available. All openings are 10.00 – 12.30 unless otherwise stated with dates as follows:

26th October
9th November around Remembrance Ceremony
23rd November
14th December
Wed 24th December following 4pm Carol Service
11th January
25th January
8th February
22nd February
8th March
22nd March

If you have any questions, please get in touch at gvabookings@gmail.com



Christ Church Gretton

Second Sunday Special

Faith & fun for every age

Sunday 11th January 4.00pm



Join us for our new monthly **Second Sunday Special** at Christ Church Gretton for a time of fun worship together for the whole family.

Welcome the Wise Men with us!

Come dressed as a Wise Man if you'd like to!

We're making baubles this time!

Stay for tea and cake.



House Points Competition

There are no house points this week.

Gold Book Nominations

Robins

Luke, for developing his independence. I am so proud of you Luke!

Kingfishers

Y1 - Lottie for a super start to Spring Term! Lottie has come back with enthusiasm, a good positive attitude and is always smiling!

Y2 - Elijah for great ideas in Geography when learning about the 7 continents of the world. Elijah was very keen to name some of the continents and also try and work out which countries belonged in which continents which is certainly not easy!

Owls

Y3 - Ronnie for exceptional manners

Y4 - Gwen for trying hard in all lessons, even when she's found the learning challenging

Eagles

Y5 - Harry - Great work orienteering in Forest School, working really well as part of a team and for starting this term with a positive attitude.

Y6 - Phoebe - Always being polite around school, always applying lots of effort to every task and for taking pride in her work.

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

Robins – Charlotte

Kingfishers – Jagger

Owls – Amalie

Eagles – Holy

2026 Diary Dates

Wednesday 14th January - FOGS meeting

Friday 16th January – Young Voices Concert

Thursday 22nd January – Swimming Gala

Friday 23rd January – SENDCo Surgery
Cleeve Cake Sale

Monday 26th January – My Plan meetings this week

Friday 30th January - Break the Rules Day

Thursday 5th February – Cross Country Race 4

Monday 9th February – Children Mental Health Week

Thursday 12th February – Cross Country Race 5

Friday 13th February - Stanley Cake Sale

Thursday 5th March – Cross Country Fun Run

Monday 16th March – Parents' Evening Week