



Friday 6th March 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredibly busy week! We have had a wonderful trip for our Key Stage 2 children on Monday to visit a Mosque and learn vital life lessons at Skill Zone (A huge thank you to Mrs Dodd for organising!!); a highly entertaining and enjoyable World Book Day (Thank you again to Miss Tyler for organising); a successful Look Who's talking competition and the final cross-country race which saw two of our children make it to the county squad. Thank you for those parents who have taken the time to fill out the survey; please, if you can find 5 minutes this is hugely important to school development and in taking your views into account as we move forward. The link to the survey is - [Gretton Primary School - Parent and Carer Survey – Fill in form](#)

World Book Day

The children and staff enjoyed a wonderful World Book Day filled with creativity, imagination and a shared love of reading.

We began the day with a special “*Fairy-tale Mash-Up*” performance by staff, which certainly set the tone for a fun-filled celebration. Inspired by the story, the children were challenged to write their own endings - and they rose to the occasion with an array of inventive and original ideas!

The excitement continued outside with a vibrant costume parade on the playground, showcasing an impressive range of characters.

Across the school, each class took part in a ‘reading café’ experience and spent time exploring their favourite books. Robins and Eagles enjoyed some lovely peer-reading time together; the Owls took part in an online reading and illustration session with the author of the upcoming book *Bone Head* (set for release this June); and the Kingfishers got stuck into a carousel of engaging reading activities.

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your support in helping to create such fantastically imaginative costumes. We can't wait to do it all again next year!

Art Competition

The art competition has brought out the amazing qualities and efforts of our pupils. We had some really wonderful entries and would like to congratulate all children for their participation. I know all staff loved looking at these incredible art works – congratulations to Jasper, Thea, Will and Aurora. Please follow this link to see the pictures from our winners and runners up - <https://www.gretton.gloucs.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=664&type=pdf>

Look Who's Talking

A huge congratulations to Elsie in Owls class who took part in the Look Who's Talking competition PQ final at Hartpury - Elsie stood in front of 9 other schools and spoke beautifully to win the overall Year 3 competition. Well done Elsie!!!

Cross country

We had the final cross country this week, congratulations to all children that took part over the year. As a school we finished third overall for small schools. Well done to Kieran and Aubrie who made the county squad for finishing in the top 10 for their age group across all schools. Well done also to Toby and Milo, and Nuala and Holy, who finished the top 2 boys and girls for the school. Congratulations to all of the children who took part who showed so much resilience and perseverance – Phoebe, Effie, Sofia, Harry, and Albert.

Request for help

We have an old fridge, some old metal filing cabinets and a chair as well as a few other bits and pieces that we need to get rid of. If anybody has an ability to remove these items or knows anybody that could help, please do let me know. Thank you!

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.

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 text says: 'We want to know what your digital support needs are! We can help you with...'. It lists several services: 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. The session dates are 11th January, 8th February, and 8th March, from 10am-12:30pm. The location is Gretton Village Hall, Gretton, Nr Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, GL54 5EP. Contact information for Digital Triage is provided at the bottom: 07454 066116 or digital@grcc.org.uk. Social media handles for @daisi_project are also listed.

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

Weekly House Points

In our house points assembly it was very close, but our winning house this week was **Stanley**

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

Gold Book Nominations (06.03.26)

Robins

Luke – for trying super hard in every aspect of school his week, wonderful to see you smiling and hear all of your interesting explanations!

Kingfishers

Y1 - Monty for great progress in reading and more participation in phonics lessons.

Y2 - Ines for being helpful, well-mannered and hard working all the time!

Owls

Year 3 - Elsie - for representing our school so brilliantly at the PQ Oracy Competition. Her presentation was excellent and earned her first place amongst the Year 3s!

Year 4 - Jasper - for his excellent contributions to our trip on Monday. He asked some really considered & mature questions and showed excellent manners and respect towards volunteers running the sessions.

Eagles

Y5 - Henry - for creating an excellent story ending for our school world book day fairy-tale. He is also an excellent role model for others and always asks thoughtful questions during discussions.

Y6 - Peggy - Superb effort all week in school and an excellent role model on our trip to Skillzone and the mosque.

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

Robins – Max M
Kingfishers – Quinn
Owls – Tilly
Eagles – Penelope

2026 Diary Dates

Monday 9th March – Eagles Mock Trial p.m.

Monday 16th March – Parents' Evening Week

- o Monday 16th – Eagles – 1pm – 4.30pm
- o Tuesday 17th – Kingfishers – 1pm – 4.30pm
- o Tuesday 17th – Owls – 1pm – 4.30pm
- o Wednesday 18th – Robins – 1pm – 4.30pm
- o Monday 23rd – All classes 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Tuesday 17th March – YR Height, Vision and Weight and Y6 Height and Weight Checks

Tuesday 24th March Beth Hodgeson PQ Parents Workshop

Friday 27th March FOGS Sudeley Cake Sale