



11th November 2016

Dear Parents,

Open Day

It was lovely to welcome potential parents and children to look round our school on our Open Day; our Eagles helpers did a wonderful job showing off the very best of our school and the parents were extremely complimentary about them - their good manners and passion for our school.

Photo Request

We would like to update our display of photos showing children doing things that they are good at/celebrating their achievements - please send any in next week.

Football

We have had amazing success this week! We beat St Thomas Moore 12-1 on Tuesday and on Thursday we won the ESFA Small Schools Tournament, conceding no goals and going through to the county finals! Well done! Particular congratulations to Daniel who received one of the seven school games values awards for determination.

Building Help!

We need volunteers with building experience to help Mr Major cement our new goal posts in at the village field. Please contact the office if you can help - thank you.

Slippers

We have been trialling wearing slippers in school in Eagles. It initially started as we had a brand new carpet fitted in there over the holidays and within a couple of days it was getting dirty. I spoke to the children about how in my old school all the children had slippers to wear inside as it was more comfy than wearing your outdoor shoes and a lot tidier! They were very excited about this so we agreed to try it! We have had had a number of children bring them in and are happy to roll this out across school. The only caveat is can we avoid great big character ones please! Whilst they look great they can be a bit cumbersome and not very practical.

Voluntary Contributions

As you know for some of our activities that enhance our curriculum we ask for a voluntary contribution - unfortunately if some parents do not pay this means as a school we have to make up the shortfall. Two weeks ago we received a lack of **£100.00** contributions for the Owls Viking experience day, **£22.00** for the Eagles gym at Winchcombe and **£4.50** for them to see a French play there also too - this amounts to a total of over **£125.00** that the school still needs to find. Please, if you have not already done so, could you make a contribution to these events as soon as possible otherwise in the future we will be unable to put on exciting additional opportunities for the children. If you are unable to pay then please do let us know as we can get extra funding from FOGS (this remains confidential only to myself) for some events. Thank you for your support.

FOGS NEWS

Thank you once again to The Royal Oak for hosting a spectacular bonfire night, and allowing FOGS to use the event to raise money. We made a total of £571.19, thank you to everyone who helped and donated.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING The Christmas Fair will be on Wednesday 14th December, after the school production, we are asking for donations for the children and adult tombola and the bottle stall. As usual we will raffle the Class Hampers, please can you give a gift relevant to the theme below to your class co-ordinator.

Robins - Alison, theme Champagne Breakfast

Year 1 - Lorraine, theme Christmas

Year 2 - Charlotte, theme Movie Night

Year 3 - Gemma, theme Pamper Hamper

Year 4 - Vicki, theme Green

Year 5 - Tracey, theme Silver and white

Year 6 - Shelley & Zoe, theme Food

FOGS Diary Dates

22nd November AGM 7pm in the staff room, everyone welcome

29th November after school Bingo

14th December Christmas Fair

16th December, Christmas jumper day and disco straight after school

We are always looking for volunteers to support these events, if you want to contact FOGS you can post on the parents facebook page, email friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com or call Chani 07962995730 or Victoria 07972583285

Dates for your diaries this term:

18th November	Kingfishers' Assembly Y5 Maths Challenge @ St Edwards
25 th November	Owls' Assembly
29 th November	Bingo Night
2 nd December	Eagles' Assembly

News from Classes:

Robins - Robins have been reading *The Enormous Turnip*. We looked at lots of different kinds of vegetables and used them for weighing activities, to make soup, to plant seeds and even to print with. We finished the week by learning a song about the enormous turnip to sing to the school and parents in Celebration Assembly.

Kingfishers- We have been non-stop this week learning all about plants in Science. The children have all planted their own bulb and told me all about what they think it might need to grow. We learnt about the difference between fruits and vegetables and had a close look at different produce and named them. The children loved printing with fruit and vegetables and shared some amazing facts!

Owls - This week Owls have been working on creating a TV news report describing the Viking attack on the monastery at Lindisfarne. The children worked in groups to try and describe the events of the attack and learnt how it paved the way for future attacks. In English, we have been thinking about warnings that may be given to us and what might happen if we were to ignore those warnings. We have also been working on making our sentences more interesting by using subordinate clauses. Owls have also enjoyed following the progress of the British sailor, Alex Thompson, who has just set out on a single-handed, non-stop sailing race around the world. We were full of admiration for him but not sure if we would swap places!

Eagles - The Valley of the Kings was recreated in the hall on Monday as Eagles showed off their incredible pyramids they made as homework. There was a diversity of materials used: Lego, jelly, marzipan, felt, wood, plaster, cake, spaghetti, card, marshmallows and more! We were very proud of the effort the children (and parents!) put into their homework. Eating Gabriel's pyramid was *ahem* the icing on the cake!

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Kelly



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Josie & Gabriel

This week's 'Golden Children'

Gold Book:

Robins - Beth for such enthusiastic singing when practising for our class assembly.

Kingfishers - Michael for amazing us with his knowledge of photosynthesis!

Owls - Jesse for his excellent work in English in using subordinate clauses.

Eagles - Daniel for doing an on-the-spot Maths teach to the class & Grace C for her book recommendation.

Attitude Tree: George for being willing to try new things, Charlie B and Jacob for their enthusiasm and politeness shown this week, Jack W for helping out and encouraging others during running club, Grace M for a consistently good attitude and always trying her best, Tom and Isla A for their focus in lessons.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Burger in a Bun with New Potatoes	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Mash Potato	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Organic Beef Spagetti Bolognaise	MSC Fishfingers with Chips
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Cheese & Pepper Whirl with New Potatoes	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Slice	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes	Lentil & Spinach Curry with Rice	Vegetable Enchiladas with Chips
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Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans
Sweetcorn & Carrots	Green Beans & Courgettes	Carrots & Cauliflower	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Baked Bean & Garden Peas
Pineapple Upside Down Cake with Custard/ Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate Crunch with Chocolate Sauce/ Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Chunks	Wholemeal Banana Loaf/ Yogurt/Fresh Fruit Salad	Fruit Jelly/ Yogurt/ Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie/ Yogurt/ Fresh Fruit Chunks