



Friday 22nd June 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been one of the busiest weeks ever in school with so much going on and thanks a million to the parents who have been so supportive and helpful.

More Sporting Triumph

Tewkesbury Schools Athletics

On Tuesday evening the Gretton Athletics Team triumphed in the Tewkesbury Small Schools' Athletics Championships. Nearly 30 children represented the school superbly in a range of running, jumping and throwing events - a massive well done to Mr Major and all the children who took part and many thanks to all the family members who came along to loudly support our athletes!

Sports Day and FOGs Summer Fete

Thanks to the hard work and excellent organisational skills of Mr Bridges, our Sports Day was a big success and congratulations to everyone in **Cleeve**, as they were the winning house this year. There was a lovely atmosphere and strong sense of community down at the field and everyone seemed to really enjoy the whole afternoon; this was also down to the dedication and commitment of our fabulous FOGs for organising the stalls and refreshments - thank you so much! There were too many volunteers to mention individually but if you were flipping burgers, painting faces, running a stall, scoring an activity, acting as a place judge or whateverTHANK YOU!

Gretton's Got Talent

All the children who have entered have now been given details of the date of their audition, which start next Wednesday, in preparation for the final on Monday 16th July. The School Council are heavily involved in organising this event and they will have the final say in who reaches the final.

Meeting for Current YR Parents

There will be a "Welcome to Y1" meeting for the parents of our current YR children from 5.30 to 6:00 pm on Thursday 12th July in Kingfishers' classroom. This is a chance for you to learn more about life in Y1 and to ask any questions you may have.

Residential Meeting for Current Y4 and Y5 Parents

Thank- you to all the parents who responded to Mrs Holt's letter, regarding a meeting about the next residential visit. This will be going ahead at 5:30 pm on Thursday 12th July in Eagles' classroom.

Playground Project

Update The planters currently outside Kingfishers are rotting and starting to fall apart, so we would like them to be removed. In order to save some money that could be spent on equipment for the children, would any of our parents be willing and able to help with this or do you know of anyone? If so please let us know ASAP otherwise we will pay for them to be removed - thanks!

Phase one of the project will be going ahead during the school summer holidays. This will involve the installation of a multi-use games area (MUGA) with an astro-turf surface and the removal of the ramp from beside Kingfishers in order to develop additional outside learning space. We will also be installing new sheds to replace the dilapidated ones currently in use. To provide you with additional information, a display has now been set up in reception and a flier was recently sent home.

The Year 6 children have written some persuasive letters to local businesses who may be willing to sponsor a square metre of astro-turf on the MUGA for £40. Of course this is also open to parents, so if you would like to help us raise funds in this way please let us know - thank you!

House Points

This week **Cleeve** were awarded the most points, so congratulations to everyone in **Cleeve**. Overall, this year **Cleeve** are first place with six discs on the "discometer". The School Council have decided that as a reward, children in the winning House at the end of term will be able to go down to the field and play games for an hour - date to be confirmed.

World Cup - Panini Stickers

With everything else going on the World Cup seems to have faded into the background a bit! However, a number of children have asked me about bringing in their World Cup Panini sticker albums into school, along with their "swops". After a bit of a discussion at the staff meeting we've decided to give this a go, so from next Monday children can bring in their **named** Panini album and go about swapping their stickers during playtimes and lunchtimes in an effort to complete their books. I will talk to the children about the rules of engagement!

Gretton Science Day (Saturday 7th July)

I'm pleased to inform you that this popular annual event will be going ahead again this year but with a different team behind the scenes organising the day. As in previous years, thanks to the generosity of certain members of staff, we will be supporting the event by providing a stand at the show.

For further details please see the poster attached to this newsletter.

Diary Dates

Thu 28 th June	Owls and Eagles to Bell Boating Regatta
Thu 28 th June	Robins to Sandfield Farm
Fri 29 th June	Annual Pupil Reports out to parents
Wed 4 th July	Whole school "Move up" morning!
Thu 5 th July (pm)	SEN Reviews and Open Classrooms
Sat 7 th July	Gretton Science day
Thu 12 th July	NSPCC Assemblies and workshop for Eagles
Thu 12 th July (5:30 pm)	Meeting for current YR parents about Y1
Thu 12 th July (5:30 pm)	Meeting regarding Eagles September Residential
Fri 13 th July	Owls to Royal International Air Tattoo (RIAT)
Fri 13 th July	Eagles to Tewkesbury Medieval Festival
Mon 16 th July	Gretton's Got Talent - the Final!
	Eagles end of year production
Thu 19 th July	Whole school trip to Nature in Art
Thu 19 th July (6:00 pm)	Eagles end of year production
Fri 20 th July	Big Friends accompanying Little Friends to Forest School
Fri 20th July (6:00 pm)	Eagles end of year production (Rescheduled date)
Mon 23 rd July	Whole- school Winchcombe Walk
Tue 24 th July	Last day of the academic year
Mon 3 rd September	INSET Day (school closed to children)
Tue 4 th September	Start of Term 1 (2018 to 2019)

If necessary details about all forthcoming events will be sent out nearer the time.

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will start at about 8:55 am - please come along if you can.

Wednesday 9 th May	Well done Robins!
Wednesday 23 rd May	Well done Owls!
Wednesday 20 th June	Well done Eagles!
Wednesday 27 th June	Kingfishers

Night Owls and Early Birds

Night Owls and Early Birds are proving to be more popular than ever with a large number of children attending. The children will continue to spend as much time outside as possible.

News from around the classes

Robins

Robins did brilliantly this week in their first Sports Day. They rose to the occasion and showed good sportsmanship as they cheered each other on. While Mrs Netting went to meet the new Robins earlier this week, it was lovely to welcome back Miss Badham who came to teach for a day.

Kingfishers

We have been collecting data this week in Kingfishers! The children loved spending time in our school garden, counting colours of cars and using their data to formulate a bar chart. Year 2 drew up a tally chart of mini beasts in our front garden and then used their data to draw a pictogram. We have also been enjoying the wildflowers and using oil pastels to create some lovely artistic creations! Finally, the children all did fantastically at Sports Day. They all tried their very best and supported each other! Well done Kingfishers!

Owls

Owls have been researching different insects from James and the Giant Peach using the iPads this week, and have started to produce an information booklet about them. We learnt some fascinating facts including that centipedes have between 15 and 177 pairs of legs and always have an odd number of pairs!

Eagles

'Ride of Passage' is the topic of Eagles' writing this week. We are enjoying reading all the lovely descriptions they have included in their rainforest-based stories. In Maths on Mind set Monday Eagles constructed various sizes of squares using cocktail sticks, looking for patterns in the number used. The children did very well in their Assembly - they have picked up how to play samba instruments very quickly indeed.

FOGS Update

Mini Summer Fete

A huge thank you to everyone who helped organise, volunteered or donated cakes and prizes, and to all who joined in the fun and supported our school - we raised a fantastic £491.11! We thought the afternoon had a lovely sense of school community and was enjoyed by all - thank you!

Ice Cream Fridays

If the sun shines we will be in the middle of the playground at pick up - all icy treats are £1.

Birthday Bulletin



Birthdays coming up.....

Katharine Schumaker and Delilah Shakespeare

Congratulations!

School Meals

To help your child choose their meals, here's the menu for next week:

NEXT WEEK'S MENU (25.06.18)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Margherita Pizza	Spaghetti Bolognese (made with organic mince)	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Sausage & Mash	Fish fingers with chips
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Vegetable Bolognese	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegetable Casserole with Cous Cous	Cheese & Onion Quiche with Chips
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Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Beans	Filled Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna or Egg	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Carrots, Garden Peas	Sweetcorn, Broccoli	Seasonal Vegetables	Carrots, Green Beans	Baked Beans & Garden Peas
Fruit Crumble with Custard Yoghurt/ Fruit Platter	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie/ Yoghurt/ Fruit Salad	Lemon Drizzle Cake, Cheese & Biscuits, Fruit Salad	Apple Sponge with Custard/ Yoghurt/ Fruit Salad	Iced Shortbread Finger/ Yoghurt, Fruit Salad

This week's 'Golden Children' (22.06.18)

Robins

Morgan White for his beautiful handwriting.

Kingfishers

Ollie Cooke and Oscar Davis for their carefully drawn story maps. Matty Hammond and Finn Hargreaves for their well-presented and informative Gretton School Flower Guides.

Owls

Ava Buttle - for independently producing an excellent Tewkesbury presentation using the Key Note app we have been using in class.

Eagles

Jack Tustin for a good start to his story and Zak for being very helpful - seeing what needs tidying and using his initiative to do it.

Best wishes to all members of the school community.

Mr R Woolston
Headteacher

Gretton Science Day

Saturday 7th July 2018

11:30am - 4:00 pm

Gretton Village Hall (GL54 5EP)

Dozens of hands-on science experiments

£3 for adults

£2 for children

FREE parking

All day refreshments