



Friday 23rd March 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for reading our penultimate newsletter of the Spring Term - it's been an eventful and busy few weeks!

Tag Rugby Tournament

Well done to all the children who represented the school so well at the Tag Rugby Tournament held at Newlands Park on Wednesday 21st March. Mr Bridges and Mr Major were really impressed with your skills, attitude and behaviour.

Sport Relief Day

Amongst the numerous footballers I spotted horse riders, racing car drivers, martial artists, cricketers and a ski jumper - well done Mr Major! Thank you to everyone for supporting this event and I'm pleased to inform you that we raised £74 for this very worthwhile cause.

Diary Dates

Mon 26 th March	Y6 Cycle training starts
Tue 27 th March (5:15 pm)	Music Concert at Winchcombe School
Thu 29 th March	End of Term 4
Mon 16 th April	Start of Term 5

We are in the process of finalising a number of important events and so diary dates for the Summer Term will hopefully be included in next week's newsletter.

Class Assemblies

Class assemblies will be organised again in the Summer Term.

Night Owls and Early Birds

The children will continue to be given a choice of activities and will begin to spend more time outside after school as the weather hopefully improves.

News from around the classes

Robins

Robins had a brilliant day out at the Cotswold Farm Park on Wednesday especially as the sun shone for us and the snow drifts had cleared in time for our tractor and trailer ride. We also enjoyed learning about baby animals, particularly bottle feeding the lambs and holding the chicks. The children fed the goats and sheep with grass pellets before ending our day on a high on the bouncy pillow

Kingfishers

Kingfishers have been busy learning about different units of measure. The children were amazed to discover that the playground is 49m and 70cm long (which Mr Woolston ably demonstrated as 49 and three quarters strides-sadly Mrs Jones isn't blessed with long legs!) We have also enjoyed learning about different extremes of weather and how we can best prepare for it.

Owls

Owls, although split, had a fantastic day on Wednesday. Some of us went to the Newlands rugby festival and Mr Bridges was really impressed with the levels of determination and resilience shown in facing often older children. The rest of Owls worked with Mrs Holt and Mr Cleevly to learn about the Easter story through the medium of Lego. Elsewhere we have been editing and publishing our Explanation texts in English and continued investigating electricity in Science.

Eagles

Eagles looked ready for action on Tuesday - plenty of footballers, rugby players and riders interspersed by gymnasts, cricketers, a climber, a boxer, a racing driver, Mo Farah, Usain Bolt, Johanna Konta, a skater and a dancer. So many children made huge efforts with their sporting outfits and it was fantastic to see the diverse range of sports represented.

FOGS

Even though it's nearly the end of term we still have a busy week ahead of us!

Fri 23rd - 2.45pm, Playground

Please look for Marta and Kerry in the playground for our first 2nd Hand Sale - bring some change to pick up a bargain!

ABBA tickets will also be available to purchase, please bring cash or cheques made payable to Friends of Gretton School.

Mon 26th

Egg Decorating Competition submission day - please bring in £1 entry fee and your named masterpieces! Winners announced on the last day of term.

Movie night payment in advance - please bring in £3.50 in a named envelope to the office. This will provide a list of children to send to the hall straight after school, and will let teachers know if anyone is not attending their usual after school club. It also allows FOGS to prepare the correct amount of healthy snacks and Easter biscuits.

Raffle tickets - please look for a letter in book bags with raffle tickets and details of the amazing prizes we have on offer! Winners to be drawn at the ABBA tribute night.

Weds 28th

Movie night! Straight after school, pick up at 5.05pm

Submission of Swimathon sponsorship forms to the office please (money to be collected after the holidays)

Sat 14th April - Swimathon, Cheltenham College Swimming Pool, swim time 11.40am - 12.25pm

Swimmers need to be pool side for 11.30am, so please allow plenty of time to get changed. All swimmers to bring towels poolside and water bottles! We can give you a map if you need directions. Please look for Zoe and Abigail once poolside. Please note all children must be supervised by an accompanying adult. If you have any questions during the holidays about this event, please email FOGS: friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com

Thank you and have a great Easter!



Birthdays coming up.....
Henry Parker and Ines Silver

Congratulations!

School Meals

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beefburger in a bun with Jacket Wedges	Chicken Tikka & Rice	Roast Chicken, Stuffing with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Fish & Chips	N/A
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Mixed Bean Cassoulet with Jacket Wedges	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with new potatoes	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Pastry	N/A
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Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo	Soup & Filled Baguette	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Beans	N/A
Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Green Beans & Carrots	Shredded Cabbage & Swede	Garden Peas & Baked Beans	N/A
Carrot & Sultana Cake with Custard/ Yoghurt/ Fruit Platter	Chocolate Crunch/Yoghurt/ Fruit Salad	Jelly with a side of Mandarins/ Yoghurt/ Fruit Chunks	Lemon & Cucumber Cake/Yoghurt/ Fruit Platter	N/A

Please note Wednesday and Thursday's menus are slightly different to those previously advertised.

This week's 'Golden Children' (23.03.18)

Robins

Dougie Steward for his recount of our trip to the farm park.

Kingfishers

Matty Hammond for working with concentration and enthusiasm to create his own Katie Morag story and Zeyla Hart for putting in great time and effort to learn new spellings.

Owls

Josh Denne for his own brilliant explanation text but also for helping others with their editing and Jake Davis for his hard work in Science.

Eagles

Grace Clargo for the riddle in her story; Sarah Webb for her careful piping skills.

Best wishes to all members of the school community and I hope you enjoy the week-end.

Mr R Woolston
Headteacher