



24<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents,

### Parent Forum

Thank you to all the parents that were able to attend and those that sent their apologies on Wednesday. It was a really constructive and positive meeting - it is clear that parents and the school are a really united team in making our school the very best that it can be. The notes from the meeting will be e-mailed.

### Newlands Ruby

What a horrible day for it - rain and more rain! It was a mixed affair with everyone enjoying their early games - until the rain came! Full credit to everyone; all the children showed fantastic resilience and played through the dreadful weather, completing the event when many other schools didn't. Thank you so much to the parents who braved the rain, transporting and then supporting the children at the event.

### Caterlink

Our catering company very kindly did an assembly and then sessions for Kingfishers and Owls yesterday. We learned lots of interesting facts about fruit and vegetables such as potatoes containing vitamin C and sweetcorn always having equal rows of kernels - the children also had the chance to make fruit pizzas which they took home! We are planning a parent tasting session so that you can see and taste the types of meals that your children are served every day.

### Assemblies this term

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Eagles

### News from Classes:

**Robins** - We had a fantastic trip to Cotswold Farm Park on Thursday. Despite the cold weather we enjoyed finding out about lambs, chicks, rabbits and guinea pigs. We had an incredibly bumpy tractor and trailer ride, fed the animals and met some gorgeous piglets who Miss Parry wanted to take home! We finished our day using up the last of our energy on the bouncy pillow-the grown-ups definitely had as much fun as the children!

**Kingfishers**- This week Kingfishers have been using the iPads for researching on the internet. We have been gathering facts about a favourite wild animal in preparation for creating an e-book using the Book Creator app. We have also been getting creative for someone special and talking about what makes mothers so special.

**Owls** - In our morning Maths sessions this week, Owls have been finding fractions of a number. It is an area that many of us have found very difficult in the past but everyone has worked really hard and we have all massively improved our understanding. In Science this week we have started to think about habitats and how they can be affected by humans. We started this on a local level looking at how all of the buildings in Gretton including our school have had an impact on animal habitats. We have also discussed how on much larger scales animal habitats around the world are threatened.

**Eagles** - On Wednesday the non-Newlands rugby pupils formed a composite class, 'Eagle Owls'. They watched the Lego Easter story and talked about the main events. Then the children formed groups and created their own Lego scenes relating to the Easter story. Mrs Fowler and Mrs Holt were very impressed by the effort the children made which showed in their fantastic scenes: the Last Supper, the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus' trial, the crucifixion and the tomb. We took photos and made a comic with them. The children also learned some French words relating to Easter.

## **FOGS NEWS**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Take That Tribute evening, it was a huge success and in addition to being a great night out we managed to raise just over £1800, £450 will go to Gretton Playgroup as it was a joint fundraising event. We got such great feedback on the night that we will definitely plan a similar event next year.

**MOVIE NIGHT** is back, we will show the BFG after school on Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup>. Cost is £5 per child which includes snacks. Please leave a named envelope in the office as early as possible next week so that we can buy enough food. It's a long movie so pick up will be at 5.30pm.

We have 3 teams in the **SWIMARATHON** event on 8 April including a team of parents. There is still time to join in, please contact [friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofgrettonschool@gmail.com) or post a message on the parents facebook page. You can also help by sponsoring any of the children or parents taking part or coming to the event to support them. Our time slot is 4.40 and the event will take place at Cheltenham Ladies College.

**Have a lovely weekend.**  
**Mrs Kelly**

## This week's 'Golden Children'

**Gold Book:**

**Robins** - Stanley Holland and Beauford Weatherley-Kaye for answering lots of questions in the touch barn at the Farm Park.

**Kingfishers** - Bonny for being very impressive with her reasoning in Maths this week, especially in problem solving lessons and Josh & Ava for their excellent perseverance with some challenging Maths this week

**Owls**- Lara for her explanations of finding fractions of quantities.

**Eagles** - Ava B and Ava HB for stepping in to help out with Assembly.

**Attitude Tree:** George Hitch-Wood and Jasper Warmington for completing lots of challenges this week, Hattie for showing a good attitude when tidying up after herself & others this week, Lawrence for his mature attitude towards sharing & taking care of equipment in class & Ellis for his hardworking attitude in lessons and determination to improve.

100 nights reading. Seb Jouni



### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Henry P

NEXT WEEK'S MENU				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beef Burger with Baby New Potatoes	Chicken Risotto	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Lasagne with Garlic Slice	MSC Fishfingers with Chips
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Vegetable & Bean Cobbler with New Potatoes	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Goulash with Rice	Cheese & Pepper flan with Chips
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Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo	Jacket Potato with Beans
Carrots, Sweetcorn	Cauliflower, Broccoli	Shredded Cabbage, Broccoli	Roasted Vegetable Medley	Garden Peas & Baked Beans
Pineapple Upside down Cake and Custard	Chocolate Oaty Square with Chocolate Sauce	Orange Triangle Cake (contains wholemeal flour)	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie	Fruity Flapjack

