

# Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy

## Newsletter



#### 24th October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

What an exciting week our Year 6 pupils have had! You may have seen the pictures on our school Facebook page and read about some of the exciting activities that they were lucky enough to experience on their residential visit to Robin Wood in Wrexham.

From problem solving challenges, climbing walls and crossing pools of piranhas to high ropes, zip wires and giant swings, a good time was had by all! The children were all fantastic at overcoming their fears and developing their independence away from home. There were 13 activities altogether and there was no time to be home sick!

Here's what some of the Y6 children said about their experience:



You're always safe because you are equipped with a helmet and harness and a

y loved the thrill and excitement of all the activities!'

'You'll never go hungry. I liked the pizza and we had chocolate brownie snacks!'

'The Team Challenge activity in

the evening was fun and we competed against the teachers!'

















wonderful experience.

activities.





A huge thank you goes to the Gainsborough staff who gave up their time to ensure that the children could have such a

Our next residential visit is in March when Y4 will be heading off to PGL; they are already getting excited!

Next week is half term. School re-opens on Tuesday 4th November and we are holding our Parents' evenings during this first week back. Please make sure that you have booked an appointment on Arbor to see your child's class teacher or contact the school office who will be happy to help you.

Mrs J Nurse School Principal

Lunchtime Menu - week 1. w/c 4th November 2025

Monday			
Tuesday	Beef Cottage Pie	Taco Tuesday (v)	
Wednesday	Spaghetti and Meatballs	Melted Cheese Subs (v)	Ham / Egg / Cheese / Tuna available every
Thursday	Chicken Burger	Vegetable Korma (v)	day
Friday	Chicken Goujon	Hot Dog	

### Cup Winners

Class 1: Olivia for working hard to blend in phonics.

Class 2: Aniyah for always having beautiful manners.

Class 3: Andy for independence during English tasks.

Class 4: Gabrian for successfully sounding out in English.

Class 5: Harleigh-Rose for resilience during book club.

Class 6: Rosie May for being a kind friend to others.

Class 7: Iva for resilience, and developing confidence when learning to swim.

Class 8: Ibrahim for writing a thoughtful explanation text in English.

Class 9: Illia for a big improvement with your handwriting.

Class 10: Brax for writing a super newspaper article.

Class 11: Cee'Jay for being very kind and caring.

Class 12: Tanzeela for her brilliant Mission Log writing.

Class 13: Aleena for her resilience and putting 100% into all activities at Robin Wood!

Class 14: Dominik for conquering his fear of heights!

Attendance



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National average School attendan	•	96%			
Overall school attendance to d	ate	96.01%			
Overall school attendance last	week	96.16	%		
<b>Nursery</b> Mrs Taylor		98.5%			
Class 1 Mrs Kettle & Miss Eccleston	96.3%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	95.7%		
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	95.5%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	97.3%		
Class 5 Miss Gee	94.7%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson- Green	93%		
Class 7 Mrs Watson	99.3%	Class 8 Mrs Dewey	93.3%		
Class 9 Miss Oliver	98.3%	Class 10 Miss Marshall	96.9%		
Class 11 Miss Lee	97.6%	Class 12 Miss Booth	95.7%		
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	97.1%	Class 14 Mrs Taylor	97.9%		



#### **Gold Stars**

If your child would like to come to Gold Stars during the October half term then please sign them up on Arbor.

Look at some of the fun they can have!

#### Year 5

This week some Y5 children took part in Bikeability. They learned about safe use of their bikes and how to check their bikes over. Then they spent time learning new skills and perfecting the skills that they already had such as, maintaining balance when pedalling, signalling to manoeuvre and safe stopping and starting. All of the children had an excellent morning and were great Gainsborough role models during the session.





### **Dates for your Diary**

27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> October		Half Term – school closed
3 <sup>rd</sup> November		Inset Day – school closed
5 <sup>th</sup> November		Y3 Chester Zoo visit
5 <sup>th</sup> November	3.30pm-6.45pm	Parents' Evening
6 <sup>th</sup> November	3.30pm-6.45pm	Parents' Evening
7 <sup>th</sup> November		Class 7 swimming lesson
20 <sup>th</sup> November		Y2-Y6 New Vic Theatre Visit



Please can we remind you that taking photographs and videos on school property is not permitted for safeguarding reasons.

In addition to this, mobile phones should not be used at all once you have entered the school premises.

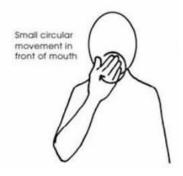
Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

### **Makaton Sign of the Week**



Makaton is a language programme using signs and symbols, alongside spoken language, to support communication. Some of our pupils at Gainsborough use Makaton to help them to understand and communicate. As an inclusive school, we are encouraging the whole Gainsborough community to learn this new skill together and we will be sharing new Makaton signs with you each week. As always, thank you for your continued support.





# Mrs Nurse's Special Award

★ Evie (c14) for being a brilliant friend at Robin Wood.

