

Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy Newsletter



28th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

This week we were lucky enough to be visited by Crewe and Nantwich MP, Connor Naismith, as part of Gainsborough's learning for UK Parliament Week.

Connor toured the school and then met with our School Council for a question and answer session.

Connor said how impressed he was by Gainsborough and the questions that he had been asked, which showed what a good understanding the children already had about the work of an MP.

We would like to thank Connor for taking time out of his busy schedule to come and talk to us.

This week you should have received a letter outlining all of our events over the coming month to celebrate Christmas. If you would like another copy, just get in touch with the school office; we wouldn't want you to miss anything!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Nurse School Principal





Year 3

Year 3 have been busy making their box monsters as part of their DT project this half term. The children have been tasked with decorating a cardboard box to look like a colourful, appealing monster before designing and fitting a pneumatic system in the box that will cause the lid to open when the balloon is inflated. The children have all worked really hard on this and there are some very scary monsters in the building!





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Class 1: Siyana for super blending in phonics lessons.

Class 2: Matthew for being a good role model.

Class 3: Lydia for super participation in science lessons.

Class 4: Gunner for being a fantastic member of class 4.

Class 5: Mia-Lola for trying hard in English lessons.

Class 6: Kendrick for superb defending skills in PE.

Class 7: Patrick for trying really hard to improve his handwriting in all lessons.

Class 8: Ethan for great recall of previously learned knowledge in History.

Class 9: Alexander for always trying to do his best and being a good friend.

Class 10: Viriato for super first person narrative writing.

Class 11: Asaph for trying really hard to use effective word choices in his writing.

Class 12: Maya for her great efforts in reading at home.

Attandance

Class 13: Lorna for always putting in 100% in every lesson.

Class 14: Jacob S for fabulous work with fractions this week.



<u>Attendance</u>				
National average Primary School attendance		96%		
Overall school attendance to date		94.68%		
Overall school attendance last week		91.14%		
Nursery Mrs Taylor		80.8%		
Class 1 Mrs Kettle & Miss Eccleston	93.9%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	88.8%	
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	95.2%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	96.4%	
Class 5 Miss Gee	98%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson- Green	93%	
Class 7 Mrs Watson	93.5%	Class 8 Mrs Dewey	92.7%	
Class 9 Miss Oliver	96%	Class 10 Miss Marshall	82.8%	
Class 11 Miss Lee	95.9%	Class 12 Miss Booth	70.7%	
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	97.4%	Class 14 Mrs Taylor	92.4%	

Pre Loved Christmas Jumpers

We are having a pre-loved Christmas jumper sale on Tuesday 2nd December after school.



Request

If anyone has any Lego or Brio style train track and trains that your child no longer plays with then the school would be grateful for any donations.

Lunchtime Menu - week 1. w/c 1st December 2025

Macaroni Cheese	Jacket Potato	
Cottage Pie	Veggi Mince Taco	
Spaghetti & Meatballs	Melted Cheese Sub	
Chicken Burger	Vegetable Korma	
Chicken Goujon	Hotdog	
	Cottage Pie Spaghetti & Meatballs Chicken Burger	

Ham / Chicken / Cheese / Tuna available every day

Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Thanika (c1) for super sentence writing.
- ★ Binky (c1) for super ideas in English lessons.
- ★ Isla (c3) for a brilliant poem.
- ★ Lumen (c7) for working hard and perseverance in maths.
- ★ Tibi (c11) for super work in French and improved handwriting.





Dates for your Diary

3 rd December	9am	Reception Christmas Crafts
9 th December	2.30pm	Year 1 Nativity Performance
10 th December	2.30pm	Reception Nativity Performance
11 th December		Christmas Jumper Day
11 th December	9am-10am	Nursery Christmas celebration
11 th December		Christmas dinner day
15 th December		Reception, Nursery & Y1 Christmas party
16 th December		Y2, 3 & 4 Christmas party
17 th December		Y5 & 6 Christmas party
16 th December		N, R and Y1 The Regent Theatre visit
18 th December		Last day in school this term

(M) Makaton

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.



Reception 2026

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 then they are due to start Reception in September 2026. Please apply by 15th January 2026 at

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schooladmissions or ring 0300 123 5012.

You still need to apply if your child attends our Nursery.

