



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy Newsletter



6th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we are excited to tell you about our participation in the Big Walk and Wheel project!

This is the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 16 – 27 March 2026. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

All you need to do is to encourage your child to walk, scoot or cycle to school as often as possible during the event. They will log their Active Journeys with their class teacher and year groups will be competing with each other to see who can do the most.

Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school and that children thought active travel was the best way to bring down these pollution levels.

Plus, there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part and everyone who completes at least 5 Active Journeys will get a certificate from school.

For more information about the event go to www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk.

We do hope you can support us with this worthwhile event,

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Nurse



Dates for your Diary

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| 9 th -10 th March | | Y4 Residential visit |
| 10 th March | 12.50pm | Y3 Family lunch |
| 12 th March | 3.15-4.15pm | N, R, y1 & y2 Spring Fling Disco (£2) |
| 12 th March | 4.30-5.30pm | y3, 4, 5 & 6 Spring Fling Disco (£2) |
| 13 th March | | PTA Non-Uniform Day. Bring chocolate! |
| 13 th March | | C8 swimming lesson |
| 16 th March | | Nursery Glebe Farm visit |
| 16 th March | | Acorn Intervention Glebe Farm visit |
| 17 th March | | Reception Glebe Farm visit |



Lunchtime Menu - week 2 w/c 9th March 2026

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| Monday | Pasta Italienne | Jacket Potato |
| Tuesday | Spanish Chicken | Cheese & Tomato Pizza |
| Wednesday | Sausage & Mash | Chow Mein Noodles |
| Thursday | Roast Turkey | Roast Quorn |
| Friday | Fish Fingers | Cheese & Onion Pie |
| Ham / Chicken / Cheese / Tuna available every day | | |



Cup Winners



- Class 1: Harper for her efforts during Bikeability.
- Class 2: Aryan for his super attitude and effort during Bikeability.
- Class 3: Azlan for working hard in maths to identify tens and ones within a number.
- Class 4: Piper for excellent independent maths.
- Class 5: Niko for practicing his javelin throwing stance during PE.
- Class 6: Melania for improvement in her handwriting.
- Class 7: Aarohi for having beautiful handwriting and presentation in all lessons.
- Class 8: Amelia for super work on fractions.
- Class 9: Lucas for his creative sentences using some brilliant vocabulary.
- Class 10: Kristian for super fraction work.
- Class 11: Kade for a very well thought out World Book Day outfit.
- Class 12: Julia for her considerable efforts with handwriting.
- Class 13: Isla for working hard on her handwriting.
- Class 14: Jamie for being focused in maths and working really hard.



Attendance

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| National average Primary School attendance | | 96% | |
| Overall school attendance to date | | 95.46% | |
| Overall school attendance last week | | 96.81% | |
| Nursery Mrs Taylor | | 92% | |
| Class 1 Miss Oliver & Miss Eccleston | 98.5% | Class 2 Mrs Grocott | 97.6% |
| Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes | 92.9% | Class 4 Mrs Hampshire | 100% |
| Class 5 Miss Gee | 98.7% | Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green | 93.3% |
| Class 7 Mrs Watson | 99.3% | Class 8 Mrs Dewey | 100% |
| Class 9 Miss Gough | 96% | Class 10 Miss Marshall | 98.6% |
| Class 11 Miss Lee | 98.3% | Class 12 Miss Booth | 98% |
| Class 13 Miss Hitchen | 96.7% | Class 14 Mrs Taylor | 94.1% |

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have enjoyed celebrating World Book Day. To celebrate, they participated in a live, online quiz called 'The Great Big Footy & Booky Quiz', talked about what they came dressed up as and had a session where we dropped everything and read our own books.



Gainsborough GRIT and Determination Awards

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| Class 7 | Florian |
| Class 8 | Zayn |
| Class 9 | Lincoln |
| Class 10 | Dorian |
| Class 11 | Raheem |
| Class 12 | Elvis |
| Class 13 | Mason |
| Class 14 | Freya |



This week in Nursery the children have been making the most of the nice weather and planted flowers in the outdoor classroom.



Easter Gold Stars

If you would like your child to attend Gold Stars during the first week of the Easter holidays then please book them in on the Arbor app.

Gold Stars
Easter Half Term

Monday 30th March
Paper plate chicks
Easter bunny hat

Tuesday 31st March
Rice Krispie chocolate cake nests
Shadow Bunny chalk card

Wednesday 1st April
Make your own pizza
Easter sun catchers
Outdoor fun/egg and spoon races

Thursday 2nd April
Create an easter egg basket
Easter egg hunt
Movie and popcorn

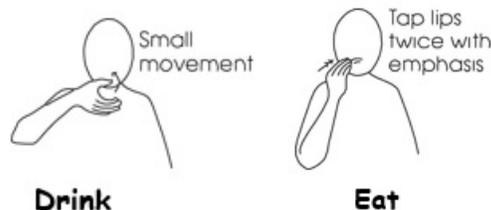
Friday 3rd April
Closed for the Bank Holiday

Easter

This week in Reception we had a visit from the Bikeability team. They taught us how to ride a bike and we all received a certificate for our super efforts.



Makaton Sign of the Week



Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Sienna (c2) for brilliant story writing.
- ★ Nathaniel (c13) for being a Decimal Genius!
- ★ Noah (c13) for brilliant story writing.



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Non-uniform Day

On 13th March children can come to school in non-uniform with a donation of some Easter Chocolate to be used in the raffle (a small chocolate egg, a chocolate bunny etc).
Thank you