



Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy Newsletter



13th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

This week, we are pleased to launch the famous Gainsborough Annual Character Egg Competition! We do hope that the children will get creative at home and enter!

- Decorate your egg at home, transforming it into a character
- Label it with your name and class
- Bring it to school before Tuesday 24th March
- Bring £1 in a named envelope– the money will go towards new PE equipment



Any entries that are not labelled or with no entry fee paid will NOT win!

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE THE CHILDREN'S OWN WORK.

The best entry in each year group will win an Easter Egg!



And finally, to the winners of our Book in a Box competition! We were really impressed with the standard of the entries. The winners were Eric, Bodhi, Hanna, Kostya, Piper and Harrison who all received a book prize. Well done to you all!



Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs J Nurse
School Principal

Dates for your Diary

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
17 th March	12.10pm	Y2 Family Lunch
19 th March		World Down Syndrome Day – odd socks £1 for a gingerbread sock.
20 th March		Red Nose Day - 'Dress Funny for Money'
23 rd March		Y2 Nantwich visit
23 rd March	12pm	Y1 Family Lunch
25 th March		Y5 Queen's Park visit
25 th March	2.15pm	Y4 Parent Assembly

Lunchtime Menu - week 1 w/c 16th March 2026

Monday	Macaroni Cheese	Jacket Potato
Tuesday	Chicken Burger	Vegetable Korma
Wednesday	Spaghetti & Meatballs	Melted Cheese Sub
Thursday	Cottage Pie	Veggi Mince Taco
Friday	Chicken Goujon	Hotdog
Ham / Chicken / Cheese / Tuna available every day		



Cup Winners



- Class 1: Roman for super attempts at independent writing.
- Class 2: Venya for her beautiful handwriting.
- Class 3: Mayzie for super independent writing.
- Class 4: Nela for settling into Gainsborough so brilliantly.
- Class 5: Nuzairah for creating a detailed painting in style of Henri Edmond-Cross.
- Class 6: Ayat for her beautiful handwriting and trying hard in every lesson.
- Class 7: Elton for trying really hard with his letter formation and trying to join his handwriting.
- Class 8: Annabelle for working hard to learn touch typing.
- Class 9: Sienna for working hard to improve her times table recall.
- Class 10: Nate for keeping his room tidy and trying his best on the residential visit.
- Class 11: William for great long multiplication work in maths.
- Class 12: Erika for great contributions in afternoon lessons this week.
- Class 13: Zachary for always trying his hardest in everything he does.
- Class 14: Hanaw for excellent effort with maths.



Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.49%	
Overall school attendance last week		96.14%	
Nursery Mrs Taylor		93.5%	
Class 1 Miss Oliver & Miss Eccleston	96.2%	Class 2 Mrs Grocott	97.2%
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	87.6%	Class 4 Mrs Hampshire	95.7%
Class 5 Miss Gee	95.2%	Class 6 Mrs Poulson-Green	95.9%
Class 7 Mrs Watson	97.5%	Class 8 Mrs Dewey	96%
Class 9 Miss Gough	94.7%	Class 10 Miss Marshall	97.9%
Class 11 Miss Lee	99.3%	Class 12 Miss Booth	99.33%
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	98.7%	Class 14 Mrs Taylor	97.6%

Year 3

Year 3 have been busy learning new cooking skills in DT recently. They have learned to safely peel and cut different vegetables using the "bridge" and "claw" holds. This has been in preparation for making their own seasonal tart. We hope the children (or their grown ups!) have enjoyed tasting the seasonal tarts that they made.





BIG WALK AND WHEEL
16 - 27 March 2026

We're taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel 2026 challenge.

Join in by walking, wheeling, scooting or cycling to school between 16 - 27 March.

- Be active and feel more energised
- Help the environment by replacing a car journey
- Help us win some fantastic prizes

www.BigWalkAndWheel.org.uk

P T A
Easter Raffle

We have loads of Easter Egg bundles up for grabs. Get your tickets by Friday 20th March. They are £1 each from Arbor under the 'school shop' section.

Thank you!



This week in Nursery the children have been painting daffodils from the Nursery garden.



A collage of six photographs showing nursery children sitting at blue tables, focused on painting green stems and yellow petals on white paper. They are using brushes and paint pots. Some finished daffodils are visible on the tables.

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



This week in Reception we have been acting out our Ready Steady Write story 'Little Red'. We used different materials to make the path leading to Grandma's house.



A collage of six photographs showing reception children working on a large green mat. They are using small stones and other materials to create a winding path. Some children are also seen reading books.

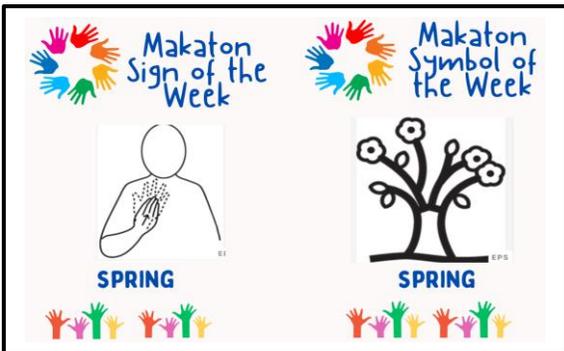
Please continue to read with your child 4 times a week at home and record this in your child's reading diary. We need the books to be in your child's bag every Friday ready for changing.



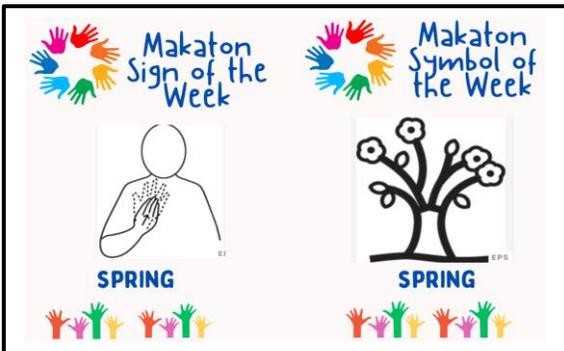
Thank you

Thank you to everyone who came to the Spring Fling disco last night - it raised over £490. We hope the children enjoyed themselves as much as we did.

Makaton Sign of the Week



Makaton Symbol of the Week



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Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Nov (c14) for her translating skills.
- ★ Hanna (c10) for great writing.
- ★ Evie (c14) for great writing.
- ★ Nymaya (c13) for excellent work in reading booster club.

