Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy

Newsletter

20th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted with how well the children are doing in their Big Walk and Wheel Challenge; thank you so much for your support. The weather has also been on our side all week, which is great.

As of Thursday, the scores are as follows:

There have been **666** Active journeys in total.

On average **52%** of the children at Gainsborough have participated.

Gainsborough's overall position is **334th** place out of 1168 participating schools across the country!

Currently **CLASS 8** are in the lead with a total of 108 active journeys!

Next week we are aiming to hit a total of **2000** journeys.

Any child who has completed 3 or more active journeys during the 2 week period will be receiving a certificate at the end of next week.



Today the children were visited by Steve from Down Syndrome Cheshire. He told the children all about the condition and what causes it in a special assembly. He thanked all those children who supported World Down Syndrome Day by wearing odd socks to school yesterday or bought a gingerbread sock. We raised over £250!

Finally, just a reminder that **Tuesday 24th March** is the last day for entries for our character egg competition. Entries cost £1 cash with the money going towards new PE equipment.



Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the warmer weather,

Mrs J Nurse
School Principal

Dates for your Diary

23rd March		Y2 Nantwich visit
23rd March	12pm	Y1 Family Lunch
25th March		Y5 Queen's Park visit
25th March	2.15pm	Y4 Parent Assembly
27th March		C10 The Oaks 'Wheels' workshop
27th March		C8 swimming lesson
27th March		Last day of school this term
13th April	8.40am	School re-opens for the Summer term



Lunchtime Menu - week 2
w/c 23rd March 2026

Monday	Pasta Italienne	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Tuesday	Spanish Chicken	Jacket Potato
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: Morgan for her brilliant knowledge of 3D shapes and their properties.

Class 2: Hamma for being a superstar on our visit to Glebe Farm.

Class 3: Denisa for great use of taught strategies during arithmetic tests this week.

Class 4: Gabriella for always making good choices and being a kind friend.

Class 5: Jonah for working hard when practising division and Eliana for being really engaged on the school visit.

Class 6: Venkata for being really engaged on the visit to Glebe Farm.

Class 7: Samuel for trying really hard in his maths assessments this week.

Class 8: Anna for great pronunciation during our French lesson.

Class 9: Kyan for making an excellent car during our DT workshop at The Oaks.

Class 10: Ryan for improvements in his handwriting and presentation.

Class 11: Tibi for trying really hard to learn his high frequency words.

Class 12: Muntaha for always striving to do her best in everything.

Class 13: Daniela for excellent effort and determination in her assessments this week!

Class 14: Frzio for being a superstar in his reading assessment.



Attendance

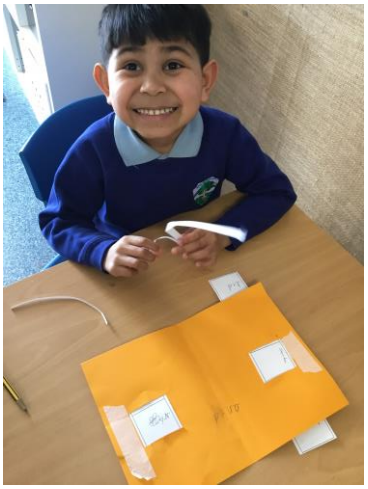
National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.4%	
Overall school attendance last week		93.24%	
Nursery Mrs Taylor		97.4%	
Class 1 Miss Oliver & Miss Eccleston	86.9%	**Class 2** Mrs Grocott	96%
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	89.1%	**Class 4** Mrs Hampshire	94.6%
Class 5 Miss Gee	94.1%	**Class 6** Mrs Poulson-Green	93.5%
Class 7 Mrs Watson	96.8%	**Class 8** Mrs Dewey	92%
Class 9 Miss Gough	95.3%	**Class 10** Miss Marshall	95.9%
Class 11 Miss Lee	93.1%	**Class 12** Miss Booth	92.3%
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	95.7%	**Class 14** Mrs Taylor	89.7%

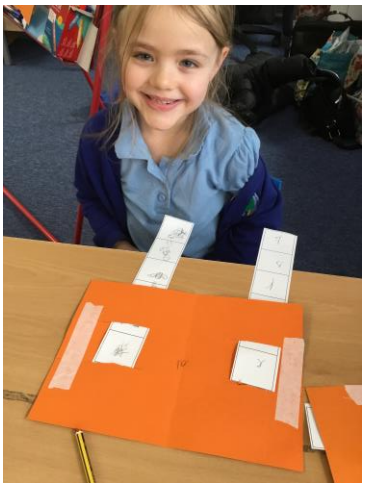
Year 1

Year 1 have had a great time making a sliding phonics game!









Gainsborough GRIT and Determination Awards

Class 1	Harper
Class 2	Liam
Class 3	Medeea
Class 4	Ronnie
Class 5	Rebecca
Class 6	Peter



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.



Thank you

Thank you for donating £275 to Comic Relief.

It has been very amusing seeing the children dressed 'funny for money' today!

The children in Nursery had a fantastic visit to Glebe Farm!







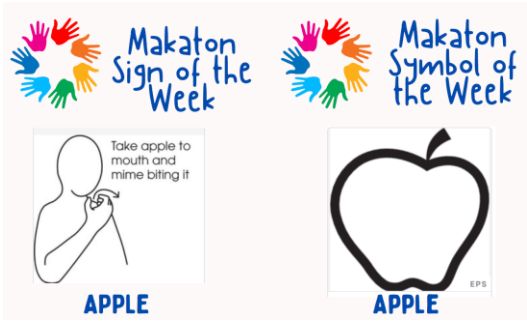

On Tuesday 17th March Reception visited Glebe Farm. We had a fantastic day meeting and feeding the animals. We even had a tractor ride around the farm and met the Highland Cows and Alpacas.









Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Domingos (c1) for his super writing.
- ★ Andrew (c2) for excellent progress in phonics.
- ★ Louie (c14) for his excellent e his assessments.

