Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy

Newsletter

26th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

This week, we were delighted to welcome Tom from Crewe Library to launch this year's Summer Reading Challenge - Read to the Beat! This challenge is completely free to join and is a fantastic way to encourage your child to continue reading and enjoying books throughout the summer holidays. Regular reading over the holidays helps children maintain the progress that they have made in their reading this year while discovering new stories and authors.



Throughout the summer holidays, Cheshire East Libraries will be running a range of free workshops to support children as they work towards completing the challenge.

So why not sign up for the challenge from this weekend and enjoy a summer of reading together!

https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/



It was lovely to welcome so many of you to Parents' evening this week and to read the comments on your feedback forms. Thank you to everyone who came and who also filled in a form. Your feedback is really important to us.



Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Nurse,
School Principal

Dates for your Diary

7th July		Year 5 Activity morning at Ruskin
8th July		Year 6 Primary College
8th July		Year 1 New Brighton Beach visit
8th July	11.50am	Reception Family Lunch
13th July	2.15pm	Y6 Leavers Assembly for parents
14th July	3.30-5.15pm	Y6 Leavers Celebration



School Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who came and enjoyed the summer fair. We raised an amazing £1154.19.








Cup Winners

Class 1: Alexia for settling into Gainsborough so well.

Class 2: Vilma for trying hard with her learning.

Class 3: Carys for consistently trying to apply new knowledge and vocabulary during independent tasks.

Class 4: Morgan for his enthusiasm for school and learning.

Class 5: Zian for working hard all week and being helpful to everybody.

Class 6: Willow for always trying her best in all lessons.

Class 7: Lumen for her impressive knowledge of forces during our visit to Xplore!

Class 8: Eddie for imaginative diary sentences in English lessons.

Class 9: Willow for putting in a huge amount of effort to improve her handwriting.

Class 10: Beau for always trying his best and doing it with a smile.

Class 11: Raheem for trying really hard and doing very well in his assessments. Well done!

Class 12: Sophia for demonstrating progress in all areas and showing a conscientious attitude to learning.

Class 13: Marcus for having such sensible discussions in PSHE.

Class 14: Logan for learning his lines for his solo and performing beautifully in our rehearsals.

Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.5%	
Overall school attendance last week		96.65%	
Nursery Mrs Taylor		97.1%	
Class 1 Miss Oliver & Miss Eccleston	98.5%	**Class 2** Mrs Grocott	99.2%
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	88.4%	**Class 4** Mrs Hampshire	98.2%
Class 5 Miss Gee	100%	**Class 6** Mrs Poulson-Green	97.6%
Class 7 Mrs Watson	97.1%	**Class 8** Mrs Dewey	94.1%
Class 9 Miss Gough	96.6%	**Class 10** Miss Marshall	97.9%
Class 11 Miss Lee	98%	**Class 12** Mr Niedzwiedzki	96.3%
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	97.3%	**Class 14** Mrs Taylor	94.7%

Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Louis (c11) for being a good friend.
- ★ Vasile (c9) for a fantastic drawing and winning a competition .
- ★ Poppy (c10) for being very helpful and keeping our school tidy.

Grit and Determination Award

Class 1	Siyana
Class 2	Sara
Class 3	Gabriel
Class 4	Tifany
Class 5	Emie
Class 6	Mya

Lunchtime Menu - week 2
w/c 6th July 2026

Monday	Beef Chilli	Jacket Potato
Tuesday	Roast Gammon	Roast Quorn
Wednesday	BBQ Chicken	Homemade Pizza
Thursday	Pasta Italienne	Cheese & Vegetable Gratin
Friday	Beef Burger	Vegetable Fingers
Ham / Cheese / Tuna available every day		

This week in Nursery we have enjoyed playing in our outdoor area.



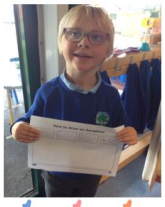
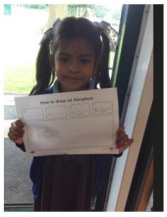
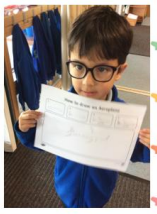





In Reception this week, we have enjoyed following instructions to draw an aeroplane.





Year 1

This week, children in Year 1 have been exploring clocks as part of their work on Time during maths lessons. Children have enjoyed making their own clocks. They have then used their own creations as resources to support in lessons when learning how to tell the time with o'clock and half past.



Summer Gold Stars

Gold Stars can now be booked for the summer holidays for any pupils in current Reception to year 6. We will be open from 3rd August until 28th August (excluding Friday 7th August).

Makaton Sign of the Week



Year 5

Year 5 took part in a wonderfully enriching experience at The Oaks Academy, where all children took part in a Carnival workshop culminating in an entertaining music, dance and arts performance to parents.

Also, Y5 enjoyed a very interesting visit to All Saints Church where they explored the church environment to enrich their learning in Religious Education. Special thanks go to vicar, Jim, for his welcome and insight.

Congratulations

Well done to Vasile (c9) and Elvis (c12). Vasile won a Jet 2 competition with his drawing which will be used on birthday cards by Jet 2. Elvis has had his writing published in a book.



