Gainsborough Primary & Nursery Academy

Newsletter

22nd May 2026

Dear parents/carers,

What a wonderful week we have had here at Gainsborough celebrating World Culture week.

We would like to thank all the parents who visited the children to talk to them about their culture. We all learned something new and the children asked some super questions.

It was fabulous to see the children in all their outfits today and some of the creative ideas that you had; thank you!

Have a lovely half term break. School re-opens on Monday 1st June.

Mrs Nurse
School Principal









Athletics

A huge well done to our Gainsborough Athletics Team who competed in our multi-academy trust games on Wednesday. All four schools took part in the competition; Gainsborough, Cledford, Haslington and Monks Coppenhall.



The children took part in track events as well as long jump, high jump and javelin. They displayed fantastic sportsmanship and were overall winners of the track event and came second in all events overall.



Cup Winners

Class 1: Ariana for super sewing.

Class 2: Emanuela for super sewing.

Class 3: Andy for a super Rangoli pattern.

Class 4: Kostya and Nela for using 'Fred Talk' to write their own sentences.

Class 5: Daniel for trying hard to extend sentences in English lessons.

Class 6: Keegan for improved handwriting.

Class 7: Joel for a great start to his retell of 'Into the Forest', using carefully considered word choices.

Class 8: Selena for great progress in maths.

Class 9: Lucas for reaching the top of the school TT Rockstars leaderboard.

Class 10: Laila for always being thoughtful and constantly trying her best in all subjects.

Class 11: Amazing for trying really hard in her swimming lessons.

Class 12: Emil for consistent positivity in lessons and making strong progress in swimming.

Class 13: Anais for a huge improvement in handwriting.

Class 14: Autumn-Lillie for her fantastic art work during World Culture Week.

Attendance

National average Primary School attendance		96%	
Overall school attendance to date		95.45%	
Overall school attendance last week		94.48%	
Nursery Mrs Taylor		87.4%	
Class 1 Miss Oliver & Miss Eccleston	99.2%	**Class 2** Mrs Grocott	95.7%
Class 3 Mrs Crowther & Mrs Clewes	89%	**Class 4** Mrs Hampshire	95.9%
Class 5 Miss Gee	96.7%	**Class 6** Mrs Poulson-Green	96%
Class 7 Mrs Watson	97.1%	**Class 8** Mrs Dewey	95%
Class 9 Miss Gough	83.3%	**Class 10** Miss Marshall	98.6%
Class 11 Miss Lee	95.5%	**Class 12** Miss Booth	94.7%
Class 13 Miss Hitchen	97.7%	**Class 14** Mrs Taylor	96.2%

Dates for your Diary

25th -29th May		Half term Week – school closed
1st June		Year 2 Runway Visitor Park visit
1st June	12:00pm	Year 1 Family Lunch
4th June	10.15am	Nursery & Reception Sports Day
4th June	1.30pm	Years 1 & 2 Sports Day
5th June	2.30pm	Acorn Room Sports Day
10th June	10.15am	Years 5 & 6 Sports Day
10th June	1.30pm	Years 3 & 4 Sports Day

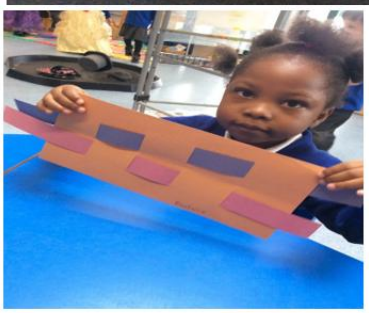
Lunchtime Menu - week 1
w/c 1st June 2026

Monday	Pasta Carbonara	Vegetarian Sausage Roll
Tuesday	Beef Lasagne	Jacket Potato
Wednesday	Chicken Fajita	Melted Cheese Sub
Thursday	All Day Breakfast	Vegetable Frittata
Friday	Fish and Chips	Quorn Dippers
Ham / Cheese / Tuna available every day		

This week in Nursery we celebrated World Culture Week. We created mini models of places of worship and practised our paper weaving inspired by Romanian basket weaving.








Mrs Nurse's Special Award

- ★ Jaxon (c7) for helping at lunchtime.
- ★ Samuel (c7) for being a good friend.
- ★ Poppy (c10), Demilade (c10) and Nate (c10) for brilliant diary writing.



Year 5

This week as part of World Culture Week, Year 5 have enjoyed learning about Asia, Eastern Europe, Africa, East Timor and the UK. The children had the opportunity to try meditation, practised Japanese writing and they designed their own traditional Polish pottery patterns. Year 5 also embraced culture through movement and music, learning a traditional dance from East Timor and they practised and performed a piece of African music called the 'Shosholoza'. It has been a rich and engaging week full of creativity, curiosity and new experiences.

This week in Reception we have been very busy celebrating `World Culture week`. We have been learning how to weave Romanian baskets. The children have been practising by making a simple bookmark. We also used the junk modelling materials to make a temple.

We were very lucky to have visits from parents at school talking about their cultures too.









Bikes and Scooters

If your child leaves their bike or scooter in the unlocked bike shed at the front of school then please be aware that this is at your own risk. School cannot be held responsible for these items.

