

What a fantastic end to the school year we are having! Firstly, a big thank you to all those who supported us at the Summer Fair on 5th July. We raised £1107 which will go towards paying for additional activities for the children.

We were treated to fantastic performances of Beauty and the Beast this week from our Year 6 Leavers. Thanks to all those who came to support our performers in the audience and helped us to raise £418.01 for the Brittle Bone Society UK by buying refreshments during the interval.

We wave off our Year 6 children to their new secondary schools next week. They go with our best wishes for the future and some amazing test results that we are all really proud of. It's clear their hard work has paid off because results in Writing, Maths, SPAG and those gaining expected levels in Reading, Writing and Maths combined have all risen from last year. Results for those working at greater depth have also risen in Reading, Writing and SPAG. We are extremely pleased that these results reflect the children's effort and commitment. Thank you also for the support you have given them at home throughout their time at Gayton.

	Reading	Writing	Maths	SPAG	Combined RWM
Percentage of children working at the expected level or better	80%	95%	92%	90%	79%
Percentage of children working at greater depth	24%	39%	21%	46%	10%

Please keep an eye out on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night next week for the lost property items, which we will put out on the grass in front of school at home time each evening. **We cannot keep anything that is not claimed over the summer break.**

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 3 children back in September: please remember that **Monday 9th September is the first day for the children to be back at school.** Friday 6th September is an INSET day.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and the Gayton team, to thank you for all of your support during this academic year. Have a lovely, restful summer.

Mrs J Hill



### Staffing Changes

We recently welcomed three new Midday Supervisors to our team: Mrs Steadman, Mrs Hussain and Mrs Khan all started at the end of June and have settled in really quickly. They replace Mrs Green, who left her Midday role in June (but still continues to help us keep the school clean as part of our cleaning team) and Miss Ramage, who will be leaving us at the end of term.

We are also welcoming new staff to our Gayton team in September: Miss Norchi is joining Mrs Orchard teaching in Class 2 and will also be covering some teachers during their PPA time each week. Mr Gopō, who worked with us on supply this year, will be staying on to support in Year 6 and Mrs Rahman will be joining our TA team to support in Year 5.

Mrs Ward, who teaches PPA across the school, is getting married at the start of the Summer Holiday! We look forward to celebrating with her and welcoming her back to school as Mrs Thorman in September.



### Bikes and Mobile Phones

We recently updated our cycling policy. **Year 6 children** who wish to ride their bikes to school **on their own** next year will need to get a cycle licence from the office in September. Children may ride their bikes to school with an adult as usual without the need for a licence.



We will also be sending out new mobile phone consent forms to children who walk to school on their own and bring their mobile phones to school with them in September. To avoid phones being lost, broken or misused during the school day, phones should be handed into the office as usual each morning and collected at home time. These will be sent home with children the first time they hand their phone into the office.

### Dinner Money

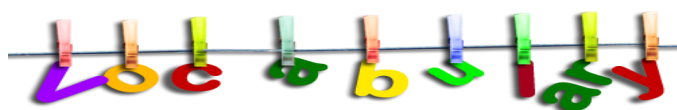


Our office staff are currently spending a great deal of time chasing up dinner debts for the academic year before the end of term. **If you have ANY dinner monies outstanding, could I please urge you to clear these by Monday 22nd July at the very latest.** It is vitally important that we are not having to cover the cost of unpaid dinner money as we start planning for 2019-20. Covering the cost of unpaid debts means there is less money to spend on funding for the children.

Our online payment system, Scopay, now has an app! It's free to download for Android and Apple devices, so why not download it now ready for September!

### Vocabulary Development

Reading through all 368 reports and our end of year data has shown me that our work on vocabulary development, driven by Mrs Orchard through Talk for Learning activities in lessons has been really successful. I hope you have tried out one or two of our monthly activities at home during the year—the newsletters are all on the school website if you need to go back and look at the different activities we have been trying out!



**KEY DATES 2019-20**

Friday 6th September	All Day	INSET Day 1
Monday 9th September	8:55am	Back to School
Monday 23rd September	9:15am	SPAG Session for Year 3 & 4 Parents
Tuesday 1st October	AM	Individual & Family Photos
Friday 25th October	3:30pm	Break up for Half Term
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 4th November	All Day	INSET Day 2
Tuesday 5th November	8:55am	Back to School
Thursday 19th December	3:30pm	Break up for Christmas
Friday 20th December	All Day	INSET Day 3
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 6th January	All Day	INSET Day 4
Tuesday 7th January	8:55am	Back to School
Friday 14th February	3:30pm	Break up for Half Term
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 24th February	8:55am	Back to School
Thursday 2nd April	3:30pm	Break up for Easter
Friday 3rd April	All Day	INSET Day 5
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 20th April	8:55am	Back to School
Friday 22nd May	3:30pm	Break up for Half Term
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 1st June	8:55am	Back to School
Friday 24th July	3:30pm	Break up for Summer

