

Newsletter 8

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6TH NOVEMBER 2020

We end this week back in lockdown. It is vital that we continue to play our part in reducing the risk of transmission of this virus. Please remember to wear a mask when you come onto the school site before and after school and to remain socially distanced, particularly when not wearing masks, from those you do not live with. Our key aim is to ensure the risk of transmission remains low within school and that we have sufficient staff numbers to keep school open., so please do not be offended if you are asked to wear a mask when coming on site.

Mr O'Donnell visited classrooms on Tuesday to announce our new set of prefects for this half term. Congratulations to the following children for managing to stand out amongst your fantastic classmates!

Class 1—Taliah

Class 2—Arjan

Class 3—Rohin

Class 4—Nima

Class 5—Dastan

Class 6—Jessica

Class 7—Archie Class 8—Harley

Class 9—Samie

Class 10—Imogen

Class 11—Amirah

Class 12—Davia

Next Friday (13th November) we will be celebrating Children In Need. Children may come to school wearing a splash of yellow or something spotty if they wish, along with a 50p donation and Mr O'Donnell will aim to fill his outline of Pudsey with your donations as usual.



Stay safe ©

MrsJ Hill

Black History Month

Just before half term, we launched our first Black History assembly to coincide with Black History Month in October. In a change to how we would normally celebrate black history, this year we will be doing an assembly each month which will celebrate the lives of inspiring people from history, travelling back as far as the Ancient Egyptians! It is our hope that, importantly, our children will get to hear about the lives of people who are less well-known but have still made a significant impact on the lives of others. The focus for our first assembly was the life of Ignatius Sancho, an author and composer who lived in Britain in the 18th Century and was thought to have been the first British man of African heritage to have voted in a general election.



School Dinners

From Monday 16th November, we are pleased that we will be able to offer hot dinners to all children each day. We've worked with our caterers to design a menu that can be easily taken into classrooms in grab bags/boxes so that all children have the option of a hot meal. Thank you also to Mrs Gallagher, one of our parents who runs a kitchen in a Derbyshire school, who kindly let us pick her brain when coming up with the menu!

All hot meals will be served with vegetable sticks, a pudding and a drink. There will be vegetarian and halal options each day.

As usual, children do not have to have a dinner every day—they are able to choose between a hot dinner or sandwiches on a day by day basis. Sandwich bags will still be available to order if you wish.

Week 1:

Monday—Hot Dog & Wedges
Tuesday—Chicken Burger & Diced Potatoes
Wednesday—Bacon Cob & Hash Browns
Thursday—Jacket Potato (with cheese, beans or both!)
Friday—Sandwich & Chips



Week 2:

Monday—Burger & Wedges
Tuesday—Fish Finger Sub & Chips
Wednesday—Pizza & Wedges
Thursday—Jacket Potato (with cheese, beans or both!)
Friday—Sandwich & Chips

Please remember that dinners and sandwich bags cost £2.20 and **must be paid for in advance**. Please contact Miss Ashworth (aashworth@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk) in the school office if you do not currently access your online account to pay dinner money and she can send log in details to you.

<u>Parents' Evening</u>

Please remember to look out for your child's interim report next Monday, which is our replacement for our usual face-to-face Parents' Evening which isn't possible at this current time.



The Autumn Parents' Evening is historically an opportunity to find out how your child has settled into their new class and for their teacher to discuss their first impressions and projections for the year. The report from your child's teacher should communicate this information to you and inform you of how your child has started the year. A letter will be sent out with the report, detailing how you can have a further discussion with your child's teacher if needed.

Thank you for your understanding—this is yet another change which we would rather not make, as face-to-face meetings are much more productive for parents, staff and children!

Flu Immunisations

The team will be visiting school on **Monday 30th November** and are offering the vaccination to children in all four junior year groups.

Please visit https://www.derbyshireandcityimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu to complete the consent form. The option to consent or decline the vaccination is at the end of the questionnaire so please complete even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination.

The unique school code for Gayton Junior School is DC112756

For more information about the vaccination, please visit their website: http://www.derbyshireschoolnurses.org.uk/parents/immunisations



Please note: you need to opt in or out of this on behalf of your child—the school office are unable to do this for you.

KEY DATES 2020-21				
Monday 9th November		Interim Reports sent home		
Monday 9th— Friday 13th November	All Week	Book Week		
Monday 30th November	TBC	Pupil Flu Immunisations		
Friday 18th December	Staggered Finish Times	Break Up for Christmas		
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS				
Monday 4th January	All Day	INSET Day 4		
Tuesday 5 th January	TBC			
Friday 12th February	TBC	Break up for Half Term		
HALF TERM				
Monday 22nd February	TBC	Back to School		
Wednesday 31st March	TBC	Break Up for Easter		
Thursday 1st April	All Day	INSET Day 5		
EASTER HOLIDAYS				
Monday 19th April	TBC	Back to School		
Monday 10th — Friday 14th May	Mornings.	Year 6 SATs Week		
Friday 28th May	TBC	Break Up for Half Term		
HALF TERM				
Monday 7th June	ТВС	Back to School		
Thursday 22nd July	ТВС	Break Up for Summer		

Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?



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How do I find out?

If you are a parent or carer and receive any of the benefits below, then your child is eligible for Free School Meals.

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross household income of no more than £16,190)
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Working Tax Credit run on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit



What to do next?

We would encourage parents to check whether they are eligible, **even if they think they may not be; or if they have applied before and been refused.** It's a quick and easy process to apply. If you would like to apply for Free School Meals, you can:

- Apply online at https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict
- Ask at the school office for details

If your application for Free School Meals is successful, Gayton Junior School will also receive Pupil Premium funding from the government to use to support your child in school.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATION FORM

Please read carefully. Applicants must complete all sections.

SECTION A: PERSONAL DETAILS (Please complete in block capitals)

SURNAME	FIRSTNAME	MR/MRS/MISS	/MS
NATIONAL INSURANCE	NO	DATE OF BIRTH	
ADDRESS			
POSTCODE	TELEPHONE N	0	
RELATIONSHIP TO CHIL	D(REN) E.G. PARENT/GUAI	RDIAN	
SECTION B: Please give details of your ch	nild(ren).		
Child's Name	Child's Date of Birth	Name of school	
Signed		Data	







If you are a parent or carer for a child aged between 0-19 and want advice or have any worries you can text the Parents and Carers ChatHealth Service on:

07507 327754

We can help with all kinds of things like:



Bedwetting/soiling/ toileting



Concerns about hearing or vision



Feeding problems



Weaning



Emotional wellbeing



Behaviour



Speech concerns

We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Parents with children up to the age of 19 can contact us and we will ensure the relevant practitioner will respond. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between 9am and 5pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some "number masking" mobile apps). To prevent the health professional from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.