

Newsletter—Week 21

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We have had a great final week as we break up for half term: lots of classes have been working hard to produce their pieces of art inspired by the work of Yayoi Kusama, a Japanese artist who is sometimes called 'the princess of polka dots'. Although she creates many different types of art – paintings, sculptures, performances and installations – they have one thing in common: DOTS! Examples from each class can be found on our Facebook page this week!



Please remember that next week we are closed for our half term break. Children return to school on Monday 26th February: doors open at 8:45am as usual. We hope you all have a restful break.

Class Attendances—Week beginning 12th February 2024

Our attendance for this half term is **94.9%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated. **It can sometimes be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school,** so the NHS have produced <u>this helpful webpage</u> as guidance for parents and carers.

Class 1	91%
Class 2	94.3%
Class 3	93.6%
Class 4	96.3%
Class 5	87.3%
Class 6	98.2%

Class 7	95%	
Class 8	92%	
Class 9	92.3% <	7
Class 10	94.4%	
Class 11	94%	
Class 12	93.1%	

Please remember that I am still *unable* to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests this year and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please.

Kind regards,

Mrs J Híll

School Dinners

Our new menu (see pages 4, 5 and 6) will launch on the first day back after the holiday and will start with **Week 1**. This Spring/Summer menu will run



for the rest of the school year. Please remember that school dinners cost £2.40 and MUST be paid for, **ONLINE, IN ADVANCE**. Please contact Mrs Wagstaff in the school office if you need help accessing your School Money account. Allergy information can be found on the school website.

<u>View Menu</u>

2023-24 DATES					
Friday 16th February	3:30pm	End of Spring 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM			
	HALF TERM				
Monday 26th February	8:55am	Spring 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL			
Tuesday 27th February	8:30am-4:30pm	Year 6 Lea Green Trip—See letters			
Monday 4th March— Friday 8th March	All Week	Book Week			
Monday 4th March & Wednesday 6th March	3:30—6:30pm	Parents' Evening Meetings			
Wednesday 6th March	9.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning—see flyer, page 3			
Thursday 7th March	All Day	World Book Day—Dress up as a book character			
Friday 15th March	All Day	Comic Relief—Red Nose Day			
Thursday 28th March	3:30pm	End of Spring 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR EASTER			
	EASTER HOLI	DAYS			
Monday 15th April	8:55am	Summer 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL			
Monday 6th May	All Day	May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed			
Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May	Mornings	Year 6 SATs Week			
Friday 24th May	3:30pm	End of Summer 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM			
HALF TERM					
Monday 3rd June	All Day	INSET 5			
Tuesday 4th June	8:55am	Summer 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL			
Tuesday 23rd July	3:30pm	End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER			

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Paving Slabs

Does anyone have any old paving slabs going spare they could donate to school please? Mr O'Donnell is looking to create bases for two new resource sheds so would be grateful for as many slabs, in any size, that you would be able to donate please. If you are able to help, please let him know by contacting the school office or by emailing <u>dodonnell@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk</u>

Parent/Carer Meetings-Monday 4th & Wednesday 6th March

We will send out letters for you to book your slot to meet with your child's class teacher for our Spring Term meetings when the children return to school after half term. Please make a note in your diaries of the dates if you haven't already.

Don't forget parents' evening!

Due to rescheduled training, Miss Gallagher and Miss Byrd have moved their Monday evening to Tuesday 5th March—for Class 12 only. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause families with more than one child in school.

<u>Breakfast</u>

This week we have provided breakfast to **40** children. Children can come to the fuel for learning hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish. *Please remind your children that this provision is for those that have not had access to a breakfast at home.* Thank you.

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Coffee Morning—Wednesday 6th March



After the success of our last Coffee Morning, we are again inviting parents to come in and work with their children for our next Coffee Morning on 6th March.

We are offering a parent session on activities you can do with your child at home to support them with regulation. These activities might also help your child if they are feeling anxious of worried about something.

Please join us from 9am for tea, coffee and biscuits for a 9:30am start. As your child will be joining you, please click <u>here</u> to book a place. This will also help us to purchase the right amount of resources. **All places must be booked by Friday 1st March please**.

Snacks for the children will be provided for the activities. If you are booking a place for you and your child and they have any dietary needs, please bring along a couple of small snacks that are suitable as we will be unable to provide alternatives for everyone— sorry.

All attendees will get a goodie bag of resources to take home!



Swimming Crash Course

Lonsdale Swimming Pool are offering a Swimming Crash Course over Half Term, running from Monday 19th to Friday 23th February.

The cost of the course is just £25 per child for a 30 minute lesson each day.

To book a place please click <u>here</u>.



Week: 1 Date: 26th February, 18th March, 22nd April, 13th May, 10th June, 1st July, 22nd July

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Main 6 Dessert

CANAGE DE L	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Sausage, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Beans	Tomato & Basil Pasta with Baguette Slice & Salad	Roast Chicken & Stuffing with gravy New Potatoes Vegetable Medley	Beef Lasagne Baguette Slice & Seasonal Vegetables	Fish Fingers with Oven Chips and Seasonal Vegetables
2	Veggie Sausage, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Beans	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Diced Potatoes Carrot Sticks or Sweetcorn	Quorn Roast & Stuffing with gravy New Potatoes Vegetable Medley	Veggie Lasagne with Baguette Slice & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Fajita Wrap with Oven Chips and Seasonal Vegetables
	Halal Chicken Sausage, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Beans	Ham or Tuna mayo Roll with Salad	Halal Chicken Stuffing with gravy New Potatoes Vegetable Medley	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna Mayo & Salad	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese with Salad
	Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Custard	Shortbread Cookie	Ice Cream with Fruit	Flapjack with Raisins Milk	Chocolate Shortbread Slice with Milk
11	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad



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Week: 2 Date: 4th March, 25th March, 29th April, 20th May, 17th June, 8th July Salad, Fresh Fruit, Bread and Water are available to pupils every day in all schools.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Beef Cottage Pie served with Gravy and Seasonal Vegetables	Halal Chicken Masala served with Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Vegetable Medley	Homemade Sausage Roll served with New Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Fish Portion Oven Chips & Baked Beans
P	Macaroni Cheese served with Baguette Slice & Seasonal Vegetables	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Diced Potatoes Sweetcorn Cob or Seasonal Vegetables	Quorn Roast & Yorkshire Pudding with gravy Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Medley	Veggie Sausage with New Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Balls served with Oven Chips, Gravy & Baked Beans
Dessert	Cheese & Tomato Panini served with Salad	Ham or Cheese Roll with Salad	Halal Chicken Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Vegetable Medley	Halal Chicken Sausage with New Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cheese Baked Beans
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200	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit Salad

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Week: 3 Date: 11th March, 15th April, 6th May, 3rd June, 24th June, 15th July Salad, Fresh Fruit, Bread and Water are available to pupils every day in all schools. \sqrt{p} = Vegetarian

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