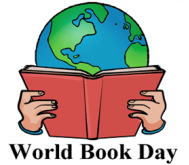


7TH MARCH 2025

A big thank you to everyone who dressed up yesterday to help us to celebrate World Book Day in school—the children all looked amazing and we have had a really fantastic week delving into books in our year groups! Thank you to Mrs Aujla and the team at Gayton for planning another great special week in school.



Continuing with our “thank yous” this week: thank you to everyone who attended our Parents’ Evening meetings with class teachers this week for an update on how your child is doing in school. We hope you found the meetings useful. Please get in touch with the office to rearrange your meeting if you were unable to attend.

Thank you, too, to everyone who has bought books at our Book Fair this week to support us in school: your purchases have helped us to raise £1084 in commission to spend on books to enhance the curriculum and stock bookshelves.

A letter came home tonight regarding a consultation about a possible academisation for Gayton. It came home in paper form and also via the school app, with links to the school website, which can also be accessed [here](#). Please note, the consultation closes on Friday 18th April 2025.

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 Hill

## School Dinners

Next week, we will be choosing from our Week 2 menu. Please remember that we have had to increase prices for school meals by 20p per day to £2.80 per meal to cover costs which can no longer be paid for by the school budget. A full week of dinners from this week now costs £14. Please remember that school dinners MUST be paid for, **ONLINE, IN ADVANCE**. There have been some small changes to the remainder of our Autumn/Winter menu, please click [here](#) to view the full menu.



## Film Night—Mufasa

Thursday 13th March in the hall  
3:30-5:30pm



Tickets on sale in the hall before school from 10th March—£2 each  
Please bring your own snack

### RSE Parental Consultation

Before half term, we sent home letters with details of how you can contribute towards our current consultation into the way we teach Relationships Education at Gayton. More details can be found on our website by clicking [here](#)

Thank you to everyone who stopped to view our new resources during Parents' Evening. Please remember to pop along to complete our consultation now you have viewed them—this will be really helpful!

You have until Friday 14th March to take part in our consultation. Thank you, in advance: your views will help to shape the curriculum for the children in school so are valuable. We will provide feedback on this consultation before Easter.



### Coffee Morning

Our next Coffee Morning will take place on **Wednesday 19th March**. As we will be celebrating 40 years of Comic Relief that Friday (21st March), they're looking back at how much the world has changed over the last 40 years. And it's got them thinking... what might the world look like in another 40 years? We thought it would be great to get parents in working with their children again—this time to build some schools of the future!

Mrs Costema and Mrs Clarke will be on hand to provide resources (and refreshments) - you just need to bring your creative juices! Feel free to bring along ideas, the contents of your recycling bin and any little ones who can help out too! Please sign up [here](#) so that we know how many parents we are expecting!



### Comic Relief 2025

Red Nose Day is back on Friday 21st March and we will once again be inviting children to wear a splash of red (or any Comic Relief merchandise) along with their usual school uniform (NO JEANS PLEASE) for a £1 donation which will be made to Comic Relief on behalf of the school.

We will have a limited number of red noses available for sale in the school hall each morning from Monday 17th March for £2.50.



### Prefects

Well done to our latest batch of prefects, who were announced in last Friday's assembly! It is fantastic to hear how well you have impressed your teachers over the last half term in school with your attitude and effort—keep up the great work!



Year 3—Yousuf  
Year 4—Anita  
Year 5—Addison  
Year 6—Rohan



**2024/25 DATES**

Monday 10th March	All Day	Year 4 Space Centre Trip—see letter
Wednesday 12th— Friday 14th March	TBC	Year 5 Egyptian Workshops—Information to follow
Wednesday 19th March	9:30-11:30	Coffee Morning—see below!
<b>Friday 21st March</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Comic Relief—Red Nose Day—wear a splash of red</b>
Wednesday 26th— Friday 28th March	TBC	Year 3 Roman Workshops—Information to follow
Friday 4th April	All Day	Reward Day—non-uniform for all children
Friday 4th April	3:30pm	Break up for Easter Holiday
Monday 21st April	All Day	Easter Monday
Tuesday 22nd April	8:55am	Summer 1 Term starts
Monday 5th May	All Day	May Bank Holiday, school closed
Monday 12th— Thursday 15th May	All Week	Year 6 SATs Week—all children in school please
Friday 16th— Sunday 18th May	TBC	Year 6 PGL Residential
Friday 23rd May	3:30pm	Break up for May Half Term
Monday 2nd June	All Day	INSET 5
Tuesday 3rd June	8:55am	Summer 2 Term starts
Thursday 24th July	3:30pm	Break up for Summer Holiday

**2025/26 DATES**

Thursday 4th September	All Day	INSET 1
Friday 5th September	All Day	INSET 2
Monday 8th September	8:55am	First day back at school
Monday 3rd November	All Day	INSET 3
Friday 13th February	All Day	INSET 4
Monday 1st June	All Day	INSET 5

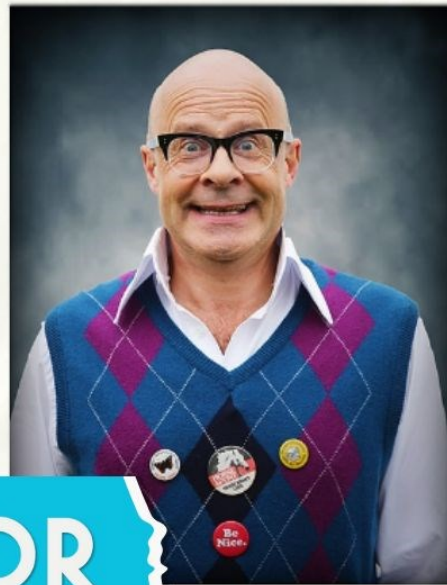
**Young Voices Choir**

Myself, Mrs Jolley, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Cooney and 'Ukulele Joe' spent a wonderful afternoon and evening last Friday with the school choir at the BP Pulse Live Arena in Birmingham at the final Young Voices Choir event of the season! A grand total of 5249 children took part in the event, which saw the return of our favourite MC Grammar as well as some new acts *and* Strictly Come Dancing singer Tommy Blaize.



The choir had a fantastic time singing with some current, established and rising stars and performing in front of a huge sell-out crowd. Enormous thanks to the Gayton staff and Joe for giving up their evenings at home with their families to make this experience possible for our children. ☺





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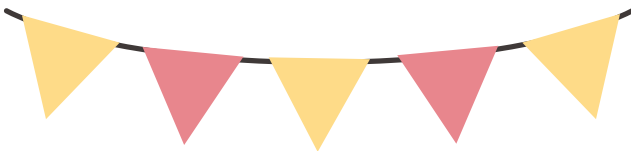
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