

## Newsletter—Week 24

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We have submitted all of our tickets for Monday's draw for The Deep Sleepover attendance prizes—the competition run by the TEAM Education Trust we wrote to you about before Christmas. Mrs James has been busy every Friday making sure every child with 95% attendance each week gets a ticket added to the draw and we will be able to let any Gayton winners know as soon as the winners are announced!

Thank you again for supporting us with your Book Fair purchases last week: we raised £1175 in commission to spend on books to support the curriculum and boost our bookshelves in the coming year—this is incredibly helpful at a time when budgets are particularly tight.

The ladies in the office have asked me to remind you all that it is really important that you let them know of any changes to your details such as your home address or mobile phone/contact details. It is important that we have up-to-date information on our systems to be sure we can contact you when needed. You can update your mobile phone number in your profile on the school app. If you need to make any other changes, please either pop into the office or email <a href="mailto:admin@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk">admin@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk</a>

### Class Attendances—Week beginning 18th March 2024

Our attendance for this week is **95.5%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated.

| Class 1 | 94.3% | _ |
|---------|-------|---|
| Class 2 | 98% < | 7 |
| Class 3 | 96.1% |   |
| Class 4 | 95.6% |   |
| Class 5 | 96%   |   |
| Class 6 | 93.9% |   |
|         |       |   |

| Class 7  | 96.7% |
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| Class 8  | 95.3% |
| Class 9  | 96.7% |
| Class 10 | 96.3% |
| Class 11 | 92.6% |
| Class 12 | 94.3% |

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

### Coffee Morning

Our next Coffee Morning, on Wednesday 17th April, will focus on Online Safety and will be hosted by Mrs Clarke. Please look out for more information in the coming weeks.



<u>Breakfast</u>

This week we have provided breakfast to **54** 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.

| 2023-24 DATES                       |                       |   |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| Week beginning Monday 25th<br>March | All Week              | No Year 3 or Year 4 Swimming lessons        |  |
| Thursday 28th March                 | 3:30pm                | End of Spring 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR EASTER    |  |
| EASTER HOLIDAYS                     |                       |   |  |
| Monday 15th April                   | 8:55am                | Summer 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL         |  |
| Wednesday 17th April                | 9:30-11:30am          | Coffee Morning                              |  |
| Monday 6th May                      | All Day               | May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed          |  |
| Monday 13th—Thursday 16th<br>May    | Mornings              | Year 6 SATs Week                            |  |
| Friday 17th—Sunday 19th<br>May      | All Weekend—times TBC | Year 6 PGL                                  |  |
| 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    |  |

### Comic Relief—Red Nose Day

Thank you for your support today. At the time of going live with this newsletter, we had raised £256.38 for Comic Relief as a donation from the school on behalf of us all.



### Reading Books

We are getting low in our Reading Scheme boxes. Please could we ask you to have a good look around at home and return any books to school that have been finished with ASAP?

### Living History

We are really excited about some new history resources we have just purchased! If you have older children who attended Gayton in the last 5-10 years they will, I'm sure, remember meeting "Tudor Charlie" or "Viking Charlie" or even "Roman Charlie" and taking part in his wonderfully engaging history workshops where they were able to build a Tudor house, Viking long ship or Roman catapult! Following his retirement, Charlie recently got in touch to see if we would like to purchase the resources to use in school with the children. We simply could not turn this opportunity down as we know from past experience what an enriching activity day these resources provide for our children, particularly as it is hands on learning. We are looking at taking delivery of the resources next week and, once Mr O'Donnell is up to speed with all of the building manuals, we are looking forward to inviting Charlie into school to train the staff up in how to run the sessions for our children for many years to come. Look out for Tudor, Viking, Egyptian, Stone Age and Roman workshops over the next 12 months!

#### School Dinners

Next week, we will be back to Week 1's menu. Please remember that school dinners cost £2.40 and MUST be paid for, **ONLINE, IN ADVANCE**.



View Menu

## ACTIVITIES EASTER 2024

# Holiday Club £25

at Derby Arena 6-12 Years

### You need:

- Your own bike & helmet
- To be able to ride unaided
- Backpack with snacks & drink

30 minute skills and confidence session followed by a 120 minute ride

New to two wheels

at Derby Arena 4-8 Years

Mini cycling club for those new to two wheels! You will need:

- Your own bike, helmet and drink
- To be able to ride unaided

Wednesday 3rd April 10am - 11am



All activities must be booked in advance To book call 07827 879647 or email cyclederby@derby.gov.uk





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