

Newsletter—Week 29

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It's been a really busy week with Year 6 SATs taking place each morning. We are so incredibly proud of how confidently they have approached the week despite any nerves they have had. We've had children arriving early for a SATs breakfast all week and this morning 74 of our Year 6 children arrived with enough luggage for a two-week stay, rather than the two-night trip we



have planned for them at PGL! I think it is 19 years since my first Year 6 residential and, spending time with our Year 6 children, watching them challenge themselves to take on some pretty fearsome activities, is one of the most rewarding times of the school year.

Please remember that, for their own safety, children should be wearing a cycle helmet if they are cycling or scooting to school and leaving bikes or scooters in the cycle shelter.



We still have a small number of parents and carers who have not signed up to Parent App. <u>Please</u> follow the instructions on the most recent invitation text we have sent you to download and install the app—this means we can send you important messages for free rather than having to pay to send text messages each time, which will help us enormously now we have such a tight school budget for the next 12 months.

Class Attendances—Week beginning 8th May 2023—Average attendance 97.5%

We've had a great week for attendance this week—well done everyone! This will help us with our aim for an overall attendance of 96% for the academic year. Please remember that I am still unable to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please.

Class 1	99.2%
Class 2	95.83%
Class 3	98.33%
Class 4	98.0%
Class 5	96.7%
Class 6	99.6%

Class 7	91.7%
Class 8	98.0%
Class 9	95.4%
Class 10	99.2%
Class 11	100%
Class 12	97.5%



Best wishes,

School Dinners

Next week, we will be on Week 2's dinner menu. Dinners are £2.20 per day and children can switch between dinners and sandwiches from home daily if they wish.

We have a special menu for Space Day on Thursday 18th May—see Page Notti 4 for the menu—anyone can order a dinner on the day.

https://gaytonj.derby.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/Week-2-Menu-Spring-Summer-2023.pdf

Trade Cards

We are having some issue with children bringing in Match Attax and other trade cards still so, before we ban them again, we have spoken to the children about the importance of only bringing cards into school that they are willing to trade. **Anything they choose to bring into school is their responsibility.**



Parent & Carer Coffee Morning

When: Wednesday 17th May 9am-11:30am

Where: Gayton Junior School



Theme: Transition and Summer Holiday Support



Parents and carers of children attending or due to attend Ridgeway Infant and Gayton Junior Schools are invited to join us to discuss ways to support your child through their transition to a new school, class or years group.

- Specialist information from Autism Derby
- Support and strategies around transition
- Marketplace of local services
- The opportunity to speak to staff about any worries
- Tea and Coffee available

There will be a marketplace of some wonderful organisations who offer support to parents and young people as they navigate their way through childhood and into adolescence. There will also be organisations who will be offering free and subsidised holiday activities for the children within our school catchment area.

Partners include Got Your Back, Compass Changing Lives, Freedom Foundation and Autism Derby.









DIARY DATES			
Tuesday 16th May	AM	Year 6 SATs Testing	
Friday 12th—Sunday 14th May	All Weekend	Year 6 PGL Trip	
Wednesday 17th May	9:30-11:00am	Inclusion Coffee Morning—Transition & Summer Support	
Thursday 19th May—new date	12:15pm	Special Dinner Menu—Space Day Menu—See Page 4	
Tuesday 23rd May	PM	Year 4 Ukulele Concert for Parents—Details to follow	
Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th May	All Day	Arts Days	
Friday 26th May	PM	Break up for Half Term	
Friday 26th May	All Day	Reward Day—Non Uniform for All Children	
MAY HALF TERM			
Monday 5th June	AM	Back to School—Summer Term 2	
Tuesday 6th June	All Day	Year 6 Castleton Trip—Letter to follow	
Friday 16th June	TBC	Y4 Derby Arena Halle Orchestra Event—Letter to follow	
Tuesday 20th June	All Day	Year 5 Seaside Trip—Letter to follow	
Wednesday 28th June	9:30-11:00am	Inclusion Coffee Morning—Internet Safety & Mental Health	
Monday 3rd July	All Day	Year 4 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Trip—Letter to follow	
Tuesday 4th—Thursday 6th July	All Day	City-wide Transition Days	
Thursday 13th July	9:15am-12:15pm	Lower School Sports Day	
Friday 14th July	9:15am-12:15pm	Upper School Sports Day	
Monday 17th July	All Day	Year 3 Adventure Farm Trip—Letter to follow	
Friday 21st July	All Day	Reward Day—Non Uniform for All Children	
Friday 21st July	PM	Break up for Summer Holiday	
2023-24 INSET DAYS			
Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September 2023	All Day	INSETs 1 & 2	
Monday 6th November 2023	All Day	INSET 3	
Monday 8th January 2024	All Day	INSET 4	
Monday 3rd June 2024	All Day	INSET 5	

<u>Breakfast</u>

Numbers have risen this week and we were pleased to be able to provide breakfast to **51** children over the course of the week of breakfast provision **for those who need it**.



Spale Day

MENU 😳 . 🐽

Thursday 18th May

Space Rocket Hot Dog served with Corn on the Cob or Baked Beans

Space Rocket Veggie Hot Dog served with Corn on the Cob or Baked Beans

Spudnik Jacket Potato served with Baked Beans

Planet Cookies

Jupiter Cupcakes



To find out more visit nottinghamcity.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

Ingredients and allergens are available - please ask a member of staff.





