

23RD MAY 2025

What a short half term that was! When we return from the holiday, please remember that we have our final INSET day on Monday 2nd June—school will be closed to pupils. Children return to school on Tuesday 3rd June and we have, as always, a packed calendar for the summer term.

We have said two goodbyes to support staff today. Mrs Jolley begins her maternity leave ahead of the arrival of Baby Jolley in June—we cannot wait to meet him—and we wish her well—she certainly deserves some time with her feet up after a busy few weeks in school! We've also said our goodbyes, and thank yous, to Mrs Bathe Taylor who is leaving us for pastures new as she takes up a new post at Arboretum Primary School after the holiday. Mrs B-T has been part of the Gayton family for four years and we will be sad to see her go but wish her lots of luck in her new role. To cover until the end of term, Mrs Lim will move to support in Year 3 and Mrs Tomlinson will move to Class 6 now that Year 6 have completed their SATs.

We are getting ready to refill our flower pots and borders and to fill our newly refurbished Contemplation Garden in the corner of the playground. If you are able to donate any compost or bedding plants, please see Mrs Glasby on the school gate when we return to school in June.

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

Year 6 Leavers'

Now their hoodies have arrived, it is time to start looking towards plans for the end of term for our Year 6 children to be sure that you all have the key dates in your diaries so that you don't miss anything!

Friday 27th June—Upper School Sports Day—the last one for your Year 6 child! In case of bad weather, we have also pencilled in Friday 11th July as a reserve day.

Tuesday 1st—Thursday 3rd July—City-wide transition days—children should attend their new secondary schools on these days. New schools will provide you with information about this. Please note that not all schools (e.g. Derbyshire/some academies) hold transition on these days so children moving to those schools should come to Gayton as normal on these days.

Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th July—Year 6 Production to Parents—*Shrek the Musical!* The secret is finally out! Our Year 6 children now know their end of year production: they have auditioned and roles have begun to be allocated! Ticket news to follow, but please make sure your child is available to perform on both evenings for both sets of parents.



Monday 21st July—Year 6 Leavers' Party—Invitations to follow. Children will receive an invitation with a food order form for the party (5:30-7:30pm) at school nearer the time.

School Dinners

After Half Term we will be back to our new Week Two menu—click [here](#) to view the menu. School dinners cost £2.80 each day and must be paid for in advance please. Contact Mrs Wagstaff in the School Office (cwagstaff@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk) if you need to activate your School Money account or have any dinner money queries please.



Jacket Potatoes: Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayo

Sandwiches: Ham, Cheese or Tuna Mayo



Holiday Club—Active Sports

There is still time to book a place for your child at the Half Term Holiday Club that Active Sports are running at school from Tuesday 27th May—Friday 30th May. The Club costs £20 per day from 8am-3pm or £25 from 8am-5:30pm (great value!) and offer a wide range of activities for children. A 10% discount is offered for siblings and the club is open to children aged 4—11. Parents need to provide a packed lunch. Click [here](#) to book.

Sun Protection

We recently sent out a copy of our new Sun Safe policy via the school app. You can also read it [here](#).

Please remember the changes we will be making with regard to wearing hats after the holidays. We will have a small number of navy, bucket-style sunhats (without strings) available for sale on the School Money app. If you purchase one for your child, we will pop their name inside and give it to them to wear on the first day back at school in June. Hats cost £2.50

Sun hats should be:

- Either broad-brimmed, bucket style or legionnaire to adequately shade the face, neck, ears and cheeks.
- Baseball caps are not recommended because they do not provide shade to the neck, ears or cheeks.

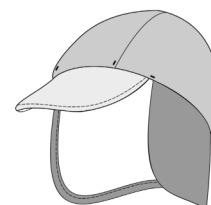
Whilst we do not recommend baseball caps, they are still better than no hat at all! However, extra care should be taken to protect the neck, ears and cheeks with sunscreen, as these areas can easily burn.



broad-brimmed



bucket-style



legionnaire

When we return to school after the half term break, children who have not got a sun hat with them in school on days when the UV levels are 3 or higher will be asked to play in the shade or inside during break times for their own safety. We have purchased a small number of sun hats for children who forget to bring one, but we're sure children would rather wear their own!

2024/25 DATES

Monday 2nd June	All Day	INSET 5
Tuesday 3rd June	8:55am	Summer 2 Term starts
Wednesday 11th— Friday 13th June	All Day	Year 5 Tudor Workshops
Monday 16th June	All Day	Year 4 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Trip—details to follow
Tuesday 17th June	All Day	Year 3 Matlock Farm Park Trip—details to follow
Wednesday 18th June	Lunchtime	Picnic Day
Thursday 19th June	TBC	Year 4 Halle Orchestra Trip—details to follow
Friday 20th June	All Day	Sponsored Event Day
Wednesday 25th June	9:30-11:30	Coffee Morning
Thursday 26th June	9:15am-11:30am approx.	Lower School Sports Day
Friday 27th June	9:15am-11:30am approx.	Upper School Sports Day
Tuesday 1st— Thursday 3rd July	All Day	City-wide transition Days
Wednesday 9th July	All Day	Year 5 Seaside Trip—details to follow
Thursday 10th July	9:15am-11:30am approx.	RESERVE DAY: Lower School Sports Day
Friday 11th July	9:15am-11:30am approx.	RESERVE DAY: Upper School Sports Day
Friday 11th July	3:30-5:00pm	Summer Fair
Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th July	6:30pm	Year 6 Production to Parents—details to follow
Friday 18th July	All Day	Year 4 Britain Since 1950s Day—details to follow
Friday 18th July	TBC	Year 5 Camp—details to follow
Week Beginning Monday 21st July	All Week	No swimming for Years 3 and 4
Monday 21st July	5:30-7:30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Tuesday 22nd July	All Day	French Day
Wednesday 23rd July	12:15pm	Leavers' Dinner Special Menu
Thursday 24th July	All Day	Reward Day—non uniform for all children
Thursday 24th July	3:30pm	Break up for Summer Holiday

2025/26 DATES

Thursday 4th September 2025	All Day	INSET 1
Friday 5th September 2025	All Day	INSET 2
Monday 8th September 2025	8:55am	First day back at school
Monday 3rd November 2025	All Day	INSET 3
Friday 13th February 2026	All Day	INSET 4
Monday 1st June 2026	All Day	INSET 5
Thursday 23rd July 2026	3:30pm	Break up for Summer Holiday

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FREE family fun – for 0-11's and their parents \ carers

Tuesday 27 May, 1-3pm at Mackworth Morley Family Hub – BSL Interpreter available

Activities include mask decorating, art and craft, water play, stay and play, treasure hunt and outdoor play.

Meet the School Health Team and the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) Team to find out more about support available and **FREE** Summer holiday HAF places.

Wednesday 28 May, 10am-12noon at Becket Family Hub

Activities include art and craft, musical games, outdoor play and Tiny Talk session (10.15-10.45am).

Meet the Families Information Service Team, the School Health Team and the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) Team to find out more about support available, **FREE** Summer holiday HAF places and **FREE** childcare.

Wednesday 28 May, 1-3pm at Derwent Family Hub

Activities include windmill making, Tiny Talk session (1.30-2pm), water play, seed planting and outdoor play.

Meet the Families Information Service Team and the School Health Team to find out more about support available and **FREE** childcare.

Wednesday 28 May, 1-3pm at Osmaston Allenton Family Hub

Activities include junk modelling, stay and play, outdoor play, art and craft, and a treasure hunt.

Meet the School Health Team and the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) Team to find out more about support available and **FREE** Summer holiday HAF places.

Thursday 29 May, 1-3pm at Sinfin Family Hub

Activities include stay and play, art and craft, nature walk (at Sinfin Park) and a treasure hunt.

Meet the School Health Team and the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) Team to find out more about support available and **FREE** Summer holiday HAF places.

Friday 30 May, 10am-12noon at Rosehill Family Hub

Activities include art and craft, musical games and outdoor play.

Meet the Community Action Derby Team, School Health Team and the Holiday Activities Fund (HAF) Team to find out more support available, **FREE** activities for 5-19 year olds and **FREE** Summer holiday HAF places.

No need to book, just turn up and have fun!



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Sleep and Sensory Processing

for parents\carers of children aged 0-19
who are or may be neurodiverse.

To sleep well, we need to feel calm, safe, and comfortable. Children and young people with sensory differences are often in a heightened state of anxiety and overwhelm before they settle, and then discomfort can stop them sleeping (and wake them up!).

Nickie will explain how sensory differences affect sleep
and how you can help.

Friday 6 June, 12:30-3pm

Becket Family Hub, 35 Stockbrook Street, Derby DE22 3WR

To book your place:

Call - Jess on 01332 208175

Text - 07812 301430

MackworthMorleyFamilyHub@derby.gov.uk

For more information

click on the video link below:

[Introduction to sleep workshops - Neurodiverse/SEND](#)



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