

30TH JUNE 2023

The children have enjoyed taking part in a range of activities this week to celebrate our Pride in Diversity Book Week, finding out more about the lives of notable people from a range of backgrounds, including Sir Mo Farah, Ravinder Singh, Alan Turing, Benjamin Zephaniah and Henri Matisse before engaging in a range of activities allowing the children to think and work creatively, such as creating posters for a cause they are passionate about themselves, generating interview questions and producing their own biographies about a chosen featured person. The staff have all been incredibly impressed with the empathy and respect the children have shown towards these people throughout the week—one of the many reasons we all enjoy working at Gayton with our diverse community!

Please remember that school is closed due to teacher strikes on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. Thank you for making alternative arrangements for childcare on these days.

Thank you again to everyone who has supported or sponsored children taking part in last week's Hero sponsored event to raise funds for school—we really appreciate all of your support and efforts.

Class Attendances—Week beginning 26th June 2023—Average attendance 87%

We expected to see a dip in attendance this week due to families taking time for their Eid celebrations. 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	81.3%
Class 2	90.3%
Class 3	90.3%
Class 4	89%
Class 5	89.3%
Class 6	88.7%

Class 7	91.3%
Class 8	87.7%
Class 9	76.3%
Class 10	94.3%
Class 11	88.4%
Class 12	76.7%



Best wishes,
Mrs J Hill

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.



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

DIARY DATES

Monday 3rd July	9:15am-4:30pm	Year 4 Yorkshire Wildlife Park Trip—See Letter
Tuesday 4th July	All Day	City-wide Transition Day 1
Wednesday 5th July	All Day	Strike Day—School Closed to Pupils
Thursday 6th July	All Day	City-wide Transition Day 2
Thursday 6th July	6:00pm	Year 2 Induction Meeting for Parents
Friday 7th July	All Day	Strike Day—School Closed to Pupils
Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th July	6pm	Year 6 Production for Parents—Matilda Jr.
Thursday 13th July	9:15am-12:15pm	Lower School Sports Day
Friday 14th July	9:15am-12:15pm	Upper School Sports Day
Friday 14th July—Saturday 15th July	6:00pm-9:00am	Year 5 Camp—See Letter
Monday 17th July	TBC	Y6 Fire Safety Talks
Tuesday 18th July	All Day	Year 3 Adventure Farm Trip—See Letter
Tuesday 18th July	5:30-7:30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Wednesday 19th July	All Day	French Day
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

Car Boot Sale



We have donated the school field for a group fundraising for Lucie's Glioblastoma Journey—a local fundraising group who are raising funds to support Lucie, a former Gayton pupil. The group are holding a **Car Boot Sale on Saturday 1st July** on the school field (entry via the field gate on the car park) from 10am-1pm. If you would like to bring a car or a van, you can pay on the day: cars are £5 and vans are £8. Vendors should arrive at 9am to set up. For any further information, please contact Michelle on 07759578568.

Breakfast

Numbers have continued to rise this week and we were pleased to be able to provide breakfast to 74 children over the course of the week **for those who need it.**

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