

14TH JULY 2023

Term continues at a fast pace and this week has been no different! Our Year 3 and 4 children have been out in the locality on trips this week and our Year 6 children have treated the school and their parents to their end of year production of Matilda Jr, which was fantastic!

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children, who have had an unthinkable disrupted experience in Key Stage 2 and have still done remarkably well in their SATs. They have worked incredibly hard. Our SATs results, along with a comparison to provisional national data, can be found below. I would like to thank our team of staff across the school who have worked tirelessly over the last two years to help all children catch up with any lost learning and to all our families for your continued support.

2023	Reading	Writing	Maths	GAPS	Combined RWM
Percentage of Pupils Working at Expected Level+	87%	86%	92%	93%	77%
National Average	73%	71%	73%	72%	59%
Percentage of Pupils Working at Greater Depth	36%	18%	32%	44%	12%

I know there has been a lot of reporting in the press about the difficulty of this year's reading tests—something the Gayton staff agreed with at the time, which makes us even more impressed with how well the children managed the paper, especially when comparing Gayton results with the national picture. These are our highest reading results since Year 6 assessments changed in 2016: even more reason to be proud of our Year 6 children this week!

### Class Attendances—Week beginning 10th July 2023—Average attendance 95.3%

Well done to Class 2 and Class 6 this week, who have both managed to all come to school every day! 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	96.8%
Class 2	100%
Class 3	96.7%
Class 4	98.4%
Class 5	96.7%
Class 6	100%

Class 7	96.7%
Class 8	96.7%
Class 9	83.3%
Class 10	91.7%
Class 11	90.3%
Class 12	96.7%

Best wishes,  
Mrs J Hill

### School Dinners

Next week, we will be on Week 1'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-1-Menu-Spring-Summer-2023.pdf>

## PE Kit

Please remember that we would like to ask children to continue to come to school wearing PE kit (t-shirt, navy sweatshirt or cardigan, navy or black tracksuit bottoms and trainers) on days when they have PE. Being ready for PE means we lose less time from PE lessons getting changed in and out of kit and means we don't have to worry about where to store their PE bags during the week.

Again, it would be most ideal if you could buy black trainer shoes instead of school shoes in your 'uniform shop' this summer—this means the children will have appropriate footwear for completing the daily mile. If you are not able to find anything suitable, please make sure your child brings their trainers to school each day to change into.



PE days for next year are listed in the table below for your child's new class. We have made the decision this year to continue swimming lessons for the children moving into Year 4 to give as many children as possible the chance to build on the great progress they have made with their water confidence this year and to allow them time to achieve the Key Stage 2 objective of being able to swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres. Sports Premium funding will be used to pay for these additional lessons and we are grateful to the pool for finding us three additional slots to allow time for Classes 4, 5 and 6 to swim next year. This swimming session will replace one of the PE lessons in Year 4 so that they still have time for all of the other exciting curriculum topics that the Year 4 staff have planned for them across the year—the team will let you know whether the PE unit for each half term will be indoor or outdoor so you know what kit to send your child in.

## PE Days

	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE	Swimming
Class 1	Thursday	Friday	Tuesday
Class 2	Friday	Monday	Wednesday
Class 3	Wednesday	Monday	Thursday
Class 4	Tuesday		Thursday
Class 5	Tuesday		Wednesday
Class 6	Tuesday		Friday
Class 7	Wednesday	Friday	
Class 8	Monday	Wednesday	
Class 9	Wednesday	Friday	
Class 10	Friday	Thursday	
Class 11	Friday	Thursday	
Class 12	Monday	Thursday	

Class 4 and 5 will be swimming right at the end of the school day, so may still bring a onesie to school to get changed into when they finish their lesson if they wish. Class 6 will swim before lunchtime so will need to change back into school uniform after their swimming lesson. **I am happy for them to wear PE kit on a Friday if they are more comfortable changing into this after their lesson.**

## Panda Pins

Mrs Hardisty will be selling panda pins in the school hall every morning next week when the doors open. Badges cost £2 and can be worn with school uniform until the end of term and in September. Proceeds will go towards Luciee's Gioblastoma Just Giving fund: pandas are Luciee's favourite animal!



**DIARY DATES**

Monday 17th July	11am-3:30pm	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 DATES**

Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September	All Day	INSETs 1 & 2
Wednesday 6th September	8:55am	Autumn 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Friday 27th October	3:30pm	End of Autumn 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday 6th November	All Day	INSET 3
Tuesday 7th November	8:55am	Autumn 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Friday 22nd December	3:30pm	End of Autumn 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS
Monday 8th January 2024	All Day	INSET 4
Tuesday 9th January 2024	8:55am	Spring 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Monday 3rd June 2024	All Day	INSET 5

**Dinner Money Debt**

Please clear all dinner debts by the end of next week so that we are able to balance all accounts over the summer. I have mentioned before that we would much prefer to use the small budget we have remaining for the year to provide support to continue our wide range of trips and experiences for the children for the coming school year rather than have to carry dinner debts.

**Class Photos**

The deadline for orders is **Wednesday 19th July**—orders will be sent to home addresses.

**After School Clubs**

As it is the last week of school next week, we will not be running any after-school clubs at Gayton next week. There will be **NO CLUBS** next week at Gayton. Please arrange to collect your child at the normal 3:30pm pick up time.

**Pupil Premium Packs**

Pupil Premium packs will be ready for collection on Monday 4th September from 9.30am until 2pm from the Tech Lab at the front of school near the main gate (signposted). Please email [admin@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk](mailto:admin@gaytonj.derby.sch.uk) if you are unable to collect on this day to arrange an alternative.

**Breakfast**

Numbers have continued to rise this week and we were pleased to be able to provide breakfast to **46** children over the course of the week **for those who need it.**

**breakfast**  
fuel for learning

# Lonsdale Swimming Pool

## Childrens crash course Swimming Lessons



**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July  
and  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July – 4<sup>th</sup> August**

**Cost £22 per child for 5 days  
For a 30 min lesson each day**

Please be aware that trainee teachers will  
be taking these classes.

To book a place please visit our website:  
<https://www.lsst.org.uk/bookings/>

# Trip to Gulliver Valley Theme Park

## Date – 02 August 2023

Leaving Time: 9:00 am from Sure Start Rosehill Children's Centre, 17-19 Lower Dale Road, Derby, DE23 6WY

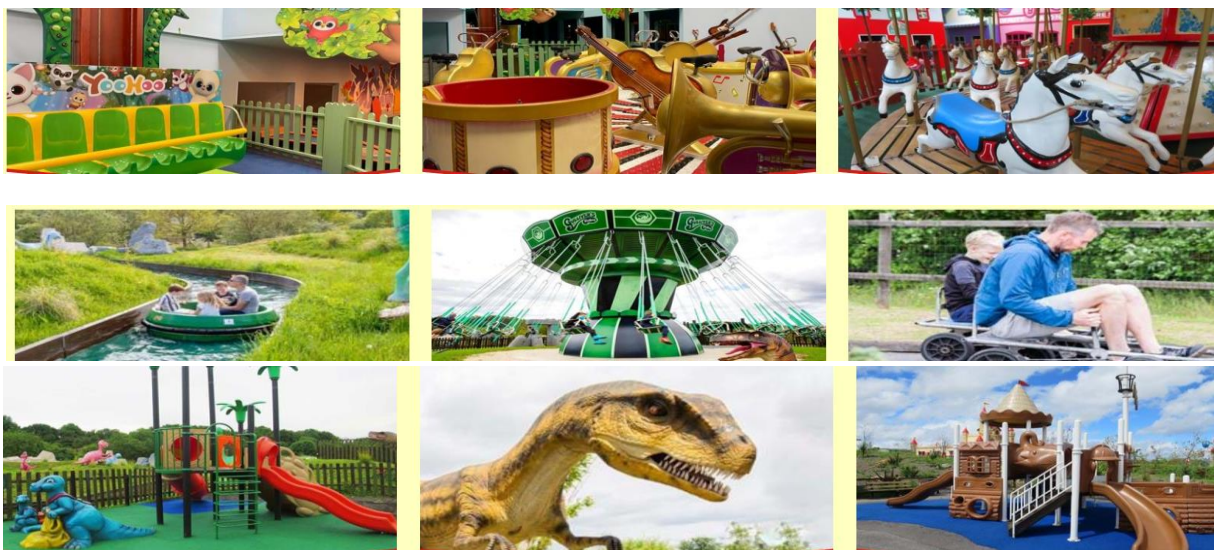
**Ticket Price - £23.50** includes Coach and entry to the theme park

**Ticket Price - £10.50** includes Coach and entry to the theme park - **for children under 90CM with their shoes on** (If you have not purchased a ticket for a child that is 90cm or over upon arrival, you will be asked to purchase a ticket at the entry gate upon arrival. You will be liable for paying full amount.)

**£10.50 deposit to be paid by 20 July 2023 – nonrefundable**

Please contact 01332 641315 for further information. Bookings and payment can be made at any of the 3 Children's Centres.

**Things to do in Gulliver Valley:** Rides, attractions, play area, mini farm and many more. Please visit website to find out more information- [www.gulliversvalleyresort.co.uk](http://www.gulliversvalleyresort.co.uk)



Meet at Sure Start Rosehill Children's Centre at **08:45am**

Coach will leave at **9:00am**.

**Note - We will not wait for anyone after 9:00am.**

**Suggestion - Things to take to the theme park**

Sun cream, food, drinks, mats, towel, spare clothes, and bag for wet clothes.



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