



Newsletter—Week 39

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Thank you to our Year 6 families who joined us this week to support their Year 6 children in their end of year production of High School Musical Jr. Our audiences were treated to two fantastic performances, superbly directed by our Year 6 team who, along with the children, have all worked incredibly hard over the last few weeks to put on another great show-stopper to help create some super memories for our leavers!

Huge thanks to Mrs Orchard for organising another fantastic French Day for us all this week and also to the students from Littleover Community School who came in to help out in each class for the day. We all had a great time.



Next week, we bid a sad farewell to Mr Dawson. I know you will all join me in wishing him well in his new school: he will be greatly missed by staff and our families I am sure.

This summer, Miss Ashworth is getting married! We look forward to celebrating with her and her new husband in August and welcoming her back as Mrs Jolley in September!



Class Attendances—School year 2023-2024

Our attendance for the year is **94.7%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated.

Please remember that I am still *unable* to authorise any term-time leave of absence requests next year and, in the majority of cases, these will incur fines. These requests should be made in advance and not retrospectively please. Holiday forms can be completed on the school app or by clicking [here](#).

As another year draws to a close, it is time to say goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 children as they leave us for their next big adventures—we are sure they will be every bit as successful as they have been here and they all know where to find us if they need anything at all in the future!

My thanks to the Gayton team for their hard work over the year—we were extremely pleased to have achieved another good OFSTED grading in the Spring term and this reflects not only their efforts, but the children's too. Thank you, also, for your continued support.

On behalf of the Gayton team, we would like to wish you all a lovely summer break. See you on Thursday 5th September!

Kind regards,
Mrs J Hill

School Dinners

On Tuesday we will be using Week 1's menu (special menu on next page for Monday only). Please remember that school dinners cost £2.40 and MUST be paid for, **ONLINE, IN ADVANCE.**

[Week 1 Menu](#)



Water Fight—Monday 22nd July

Please make sure that children bring a change of clothes, underwear and shoes for their water fight on Monday—and a towel—along with a water pistol or water gun!



Leavers' Dinner Menu—Monday 22nd July

We will be having a special menu for our Year 6 leavers for lunch on Monday 22nd July. Dinners can be ordered as normal in the classroom on the morning and cost £2.40. Please pay online, in advance, using your School Money account. This one-off menu replaces the normal menu on Monday—*anyone can order from it!*

Choose from:

Burger, chips, beans

or

Veggie burger, chips, beans

Oaty Cookie



Thank You

Your generosity and support of the school this year, particularly this term has been incredibly overwhelming.

Our final total for our Escape Room Sponsored Event was £5178 which was the highest total we have ever reached and will mean we can provide more enrichment opportunities for the children in the coming year than we dared to plan! Thank you so much.

We also raised £1271 at our Summer Fair last Friday—every member of staff commented how amazed they were by the sheer volume of people who turned out to support us this year—thank you again for this support, it means so much to us all.

And finally, thank you to our Year 6 parents and children who baked or bought cakes or biscuits for our interval sale during our production this week—and then paid for refreshments! £390.14 was raised for the Derby Down Syndrome Charity, on behalf of one of our Year 6 children who has been fundraising himself this year.



2023-24 DATES

Monday 22nd July	12:15pm	Leavers' Dinner Menu—see menu p.2
Monday 22nd July	9.00-10.00am	Year 6 Bystander Workshop
Monday 22nd July	5:30-7:30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party—see invitation
Tuesday 23rd July	3:30pm	End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER

2024/25 DATES

Wednesday 4th September	All Day	INSET 1
Thursday 5th September	8:55am	Autumn 1 Term starts
Week Beginning 9th September	All Week	Swimming Lessons Start for Years 3 and 4
Monday 30th September	AM	Individual & Family Photographs
Friday 25th October	3:30pm	Break up for October Half Term
Monday 4th November	All Day	INSET 2
Tuesday 5th November	8:55am	Autumn 2 Term starts
Friday 20th December	3:30pm	Break up for Christmas Holiday
Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th January 2025	All Day	INSETS 3 & 4
Wednesday 8th January	8:55am	Spring 1 Term starts
Friday 14th February	3:30pm	Break up for February Half Term
Monday 24th February	8:55am	Spring 2 Term starts
Friday 4th April	3:30pm	Break up for Easter Holiday
Monday 21st April	All Day	Easter Monday
Tuesday 22nd April	8:55am	Summer 1 Term starts
Monday 5th May	All Day	May Bank Holiday
Friday 23rd May	3:30pm	Break up for May Half Term
Monday 2nd June	All Day	INSET 5
Tuesday 3rd June	8:55am	Summer 2 Term starts
Thursday 24th July	3:30pm	Break up for Summer Holiday

Clubs—End of Term

Monday 22nd July

Girls' Football Club—ON **3:30-4:30pm**

Tuesday 23rd July

No Clubs

Breakfast

This week we have provided breakfast to **28** children. Children can come to the hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish.

breakfast
fuel for learning