

6TH OCTOBER 2023

Thank you to everyone who came to our Coffee Morning on Wednesday, which focused on supporting children with mental health and wellbeing—we hope you found the session useful.



Continuing with the theme, we will again be joining the stand out and show up for **young people's mental health on World Mental Health Day on 10th October** by inviting the children to come to school wearing a splash of yellow along with their normal school uniform—no jeans please. Mrs Clarke will be getting out her huge yellow photo frame to take some pictures of children wearing their splashes of yellow that we can use to promote mental health and wellbeing in school. **We ask that children make a donation £1 to support the Young Minds charity:** by raising just £67.50, the charity could give one parent or carer a call back from one of their independent, experienced Professional Advisors and, for £219, they could train one Parents Helpline Adviser to be on the end of the phone to provide information and support to parents and carers!

Please make all donations via our Just Giving page which has been set up via the Young Minds website:



[Just Giving Page Link](#)

Please help us to support a cause which is close to all of our hearts at Gayton—our PSHE curriculum places a great deal of emphasis on feelings, mental health and wellbeing across all year groups.

Class Attendances—Week beginning 2nd October 2023

Our current overall attendance for the term is **95.3%**. Thank you for your support with promoting good attendance in school, it is much appreciated so far.

Class 1	95%
Class 2	89.7%
Class 3	99.7%
Class 4	98.1%
Class 5	90%
Class 6	93.5%



Class 7	98.6%
Class 8	92.4%
Class 9	95.5%
Class 10	99.7%
Class 11	99%
Class 12	92.1%



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

2023-24 DATES

Tuesday 10th October—new!	All Day	World Mental Health Day—wear a splash of yellow
Thursday 12th October	5:00—7:00pm	Open Evening—Littleover Community School
Friday 20th October	All Day	Year 5 Trip to Creswell Crags—See Letter
Friday 27th October	All Day	Reward Day—non-uniform for all pupils
Friday 27th October	3:30pm	End of Autumn 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM		
Tuesday 31st October	Midnight	Deadline for applications for Year 7 places for September 2024
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
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS		
Monday 8th January 2024	All Day	INSET 4
Tuesday 9th January 2024	8:55am	Spring 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Friday 16th February 2024	3:30pm	End of Spring 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM		
Monday 26th February 2024	8:55am	Spring 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Thursday 28th March 2024	3:30pm	End of Spring 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR EASTER
EASTER HOLIDAYS		
Monday 15th April 2024	8:55am	Summer 1 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Monday 6th May 2024	All Day	May Day Bank Holiday—School Closed
Monday 13th—Thursday 16th May 2024	Mornings	Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 24th May 2024	3:30pm	End of Summer 1 Term—BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
HALF TERM		
Monday 3rd June 2024	All Day	INSET 5
Tuesday 4th June 2024	8:55am	Summer 2 Term begins—BACK TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 23rd July 2024	3:30pm	End of Summer 2 Term—BREAK UP FOR SUMMER

School Dinners

Next week we are on Week 3 from our Autumn/Winter Dinner Menu. Meals cost £2.40 per day and should be paid for in advance please.

[View Menu](#)



Breakfast

This week we have provide breakfast to **138** children who needed it each morning. Children can come to the hall when doors open to collect a breakfast bar if they wish. *Please remind your children that this provision is for those that have not had access to a breakfast at home.* Thank you.



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