



Super Student Scheme



At Gayton Junior School we believe every single child can be a 'Super Student'. The awards system reflects this view and reaffirms our desire to reinforce, praise and encourage positive behaviour and attitudes.

They encourage pupils to be the best that they can be and give their all in whatever they do and also reward them for their effort and attitude. At the end of each half term, the children are rewarded with a Bronze, Silver or Gold award based on their attitude and effort in AND out of school over the past half term. This incorporates their behaviour, politeness and, most importantly, their effort with their learning in school and at home. The children are then rewarded accordingly based on what award they have achieved.

By working hard together to achieve these academic, social and personal goals we aspire to provide the children of Gayton with a broad education that supports the development of the whole child and not just their academic achievement. We value parents, families and the community as VITAL partners in helping us provide the pupils with the best education possible.

Lessons

Children will take part in daily English and Maths lessons. They will be placed into ability groups within Year 3 for these so that our Year 3 teachers can focus on precision teaching, enabling children to make good progress. All teachers contribute to parental feedback throughout the year—in formal written reports in the summer and for parents' evenings.

At Gayton we try to ensure that we prepare children for the modern world by ensuring they have skills which enable them to be life-long learners and which are transferable to any job. As part of this, we include in our lessons "Learning2Learn" activities designed to help children to become independent learners and "Talk4Learning" activities which develop confidence and oracy. Both approaches to learning give the children opportunities to recall what they have learnt and embed new knowledge into their long-term memories. These strategies are used throughout the curriculum.

Enrichment

To enhance our curriculum, we plan a range of trips and experiences for our Year 3 children, which have included: Roman Day, Arts Days, Greek Day, visits to Markeaton Park, Derby County Activity Days, Faith Days, French Day and visits to the National Adventure Farm.

Mathletics

Homework



We moved last year to doing homework on Microsoft Teams. Children will get login details for this in the Autumn Term. Each week, children are set small learning tasks to consolidate learning for the week so that you can discuss it with them at home. Children are also asked to read daily, which can be recorded in their Reading Logs and complete 10 minutes of 'Quick Maths' - practising mental maths skills, such as number bonds and times tables. They will also be given login details for Reading Eggs and Mathletics, as using these at home count towards daily reading and Quick Maths.



Welcome Booklet 2021

We are all really looking forward to you joining us in Year 3. This booklet should tell you everything you need to know before starting with us in September.

Key Staff



Mrs Hill—Headteacher



Mr O'Donnell—Deputy Headteacher
and Class 2 Teacher



Mrs Trimbee
Class 1 Teacher



Mrs Orchard
Class 2 Teacher



Ms Norchi (soon to be
Mrs Parsons!) Class 3 Teacher



Miss Lloyd
Class 3 Teacher



Mrs Costema—SENCO



Mrs Clarke—Learning
Mentor


Our School Day

- 8.45—Drop off at Lower School Door
- 8.55—Registration
- 9.00—Lessons 1 & 2
- 11.00—Break
- 11.15—Lesson 3
- 12.15—Lunch
- 1.20—Lessons 4 & 5
- 3.10—Assembly
- 3.30—Hometime

This is a typical school day. Our Lower School entrance is nearest to the fence next to Ridgeway Infant School and can be accessed via gates at either end of the site. Children can come into school via this door each morning—for the first few days, please feel free to come with them onto the playground to help them to settle.

Keeping your children safe is our first priority. Please collect your children from the Lower School entrance at 3.30pm. If you are running late or if there is a change to your child's usual collection routine, please telephone the school office in advance so that we can get a message to them.

Lateness

 If your child arrives at school after 8.55am, you will need to bring them to the office so that their attendance can be registered and their lunch requirements can be noted.

Absences

If your child is absent, please telephone the school office to let them know or complete the absence form on our school app. If we have not heard from you, our office staff will make calls to check that your child is safe.

Lunch & Snacks

School dinners cost £2.20 and can be ordered on any day. We do not require notice that your child is changing from dinners to sandwiches from home and your child can alternate between these two options whenever they choose—they simply let their class teacher know what they are doing for dinner each morning! Our school dinner providers offers a hot meal choice daily, with vegetarian and Halal options. Dinners must be paid for in advance please.



Children may bring a healthy snack to eat at playtime if they wish and a water bottle to use in lessons.

Swimming

Our Year 3 classes all swim weekly at Gayton Pool. Children will need to bring a swimming kit on lesson day, consisting of a swimming costume or swimming trunks (**no baggy swimming shorts please**), a swimming hat and a towel. They may also bring goggles if they wish. Lessons will start on Tuesday 13th September.

Class 3 will swim on Tuesdays

Class 1 will swim on Wednesdays

Class 2 will swim on Thursdays



Uniform

Grey or black trousers, knee-length skirts or pinafore dress

Black leggings may be worn under knee-length skirts but not as an alternative to trousers



Plain white polo shirt


Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan

Black, grey or white socks or tights



Grey or black shorts or blue summer dresses for summer

Religious/cultural headwear may be worn in black/navy blue/white

As children take part in the Daily Mile each day, we are asking that from September, all children wear  **black trainer shoes** to school where possible. If you are not able to source these, please make sure they have a pair of trainers that can be left in school for this activity. If they are wearing school shoes, we ask that these are flat black shoes or ankle boots.

Book bag and PE kit bags can be purchased from the school office.

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, the only jewellery allowed is:

- * An item of religious significance
- * An inexpensive watch
- * Small gold or silver stud earring (not sparkly or different shapes) which can be removed for PE activities

It is vital that parents and carers name items of clothing as children do take them off during the school day, e.g. for swimming lessons, etc.

PE Kit

Plain white T-shirt without logos

Plain navy blue shorts for summer and for gymnastics – leggings may be worn

Pumps for indoor PE Trainers for outdoor PE

Navy/Black tracksuit bottoms

From September, we are asking that **children come to school wearing their PE kit** (tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt, school sweatshirt/cardigan and trainers) **on days when they have PE**. This reduces changing time, meaning more time taking part in physical activity.

	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
Class 1	Thursday	Friday
Class 2	Wednesday	Monday
Class 3	Monday	Thursday