



## Year Group News

### Foundation Stage

Next week in Foundation Stage, our adventures with the Gingerbread Man continue. We will be creating story maps to order events in the story, writing recipes and instructions which reflect on our experience of making gingerbread this week, and weaving around a template of a gingerbread man. We are also going to be building on our number skills by using dominoes to generate adding sums to find a total. Phonics this week will explore the graphemes, igh (as in n-igh-t), ai (as in ai-n) and ee (as in p-ee-p). Keep up with events on TAPESTRY and share what your child reveals about their learning with you at home!

### Year 1

Next week the children will be learning how to follow and write instructions. At the end of the week they will be completing an independent 'Big Write' on instructions. In Maths, we will be adding numbers to 100 and writing fact families e.g.  $12+4=16$ ,  $4+12=16$ ,  $16-4=12$  and  $16-12=4$ . Soon the children will be making 3D Tudor houses and we would appreciate you sending your child in with a cereal box by Friday 1st February.

### Year 2

Year 2 are continuing learning division and will be beginning to learn about statistics. In our Literacy lessons we will be writing an eye witness report about the Great Fire of London. 2BH will be preparing for their class assembly which is on Friday at 2.30pm in the main hall. We will continue to explore our Great Fire of London topic through art, music and computing.

### Year 3

Next week is an exciting week for Year 3 as we have our Viking theme day (**Thursday 31st**). Please remember to get all your costumes ready this weekend. **In Maths** we will be focusing on adding and subtracting amounts of money. **In Writing**, we will be creating poems about our beautiful dragons and their eggs. We will also be exploring Christianity and Hinduism in RE, as well as focusing on our key skills in PE.

### Year 4

After beginning our learning on discussion texts last week and thinking about balanced arguments, we will be moving on to discussing about the different sides of the argument for deforestation. The children have already formed some interesting opinions on this topic so we will have some very lively debates! Our Maths learning will move on to thinking about area where we will be using squared paper to help us find the areas of different shapes. After that, we will move on to finding the area of compound Shapes - these are shapes that are made up of smaller basic shapes. On the 7<sup>th</sup> February, we will enjoy our rainforest day and request that the children come to school in rainforest themed fancy dress; this could be an animal, an explorer or scientist.

### Year 5

What's on next week in Year 5? Now we have completed multiplying and dividing whole numbers in Block 1 of Spring Term, the children will now begin looking at Fractions in White Rose's second block of Spring Term. This week, lessons will have a focus on equivalent fractions and converting mixed numbers to improper fractions and vice versa. Last week, Year 5 produced some really impressive journal writing, so following on from this, we shall continue to investigate the historic artefacts inside the tomb of Tutankhamen in more detail — will we find the missing sarcophagus? In addition, we shall hold a debate discussing who has the right to the newfound hoard of ancient treasure. Our Grammar focus next week will be using apostrophes to show contraction. As always, we shall be challenging the children to use this revised skill in their independent writing.

### Year 6

Next week in Maths, we are focusing on ratio and proportion and drawing and measuring angles. We will also be continuing to work on daily arithmetic skills. In Literacy, we will be developing our journalistic writing skills to produce an assessed piece. In addition, we will be sending a team of talented rowers to Plymstock School to compete in the Primary Championships. Furthermore, a group of marvellous mathematicians will be off to Coombe Dean for the annual Maths Challenge Day. Thanks to those parents who have been supporting their children in the weekly arithmetic homework.

Next week's virtue is.....**Encouragement**

Something that makes someone more determined, hopeful or confident.

### Key Stage 2 Reading Draw Winners for Term 2

Well done to Matthew 3T, Brooklyn 4LG, Will 5L and Julia 6R who were our Key Stage 2 winners for Term 2. All Key Stage 2 children have the opportunity to be entered into the reading draw to win a gift card, by reading at home and completing their reading diaries each week.



### Eyes down for our PTA Family Bingo Night...

**Friday 1st February**

Doors open at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start

£2 for adults on the door  
Children FREE!

Refreshments available

All welcome....get those bingo dabbers ready!

### Golden Book for week ending Friday 18th January 2019

**FHB Jayden I** for showing great focus and following instructions well.

**FWH Guilhem de V** for being enthusiastic about all of his learning, always trying his best and setting a good example.

**1B Lilly B** for writing a wonderful firework poem and settling so well into Goosewell Academy.

**1NH Indie McG** for showing super learning in both writing and maths with excellent effort and focus.

**1/2K Delilah R** for challenging herself to use adventurous words in her instructions.

**2BH Roman W** for his amazing attitude towards his learning, even when he finds it hard.

**2KW Jensen T** for showing a fantastic learning attitude on his return to school after Christmas.

#### Politeness Award

**FHB Seth C** for being consistently kind towards others and for being a well mannered member of Foundation Stage.

### Parent Support Adviser News from Jo Penk

Don't forget to look at the PSA section of the Goosewell Academy website, for information on clubs, support and activities for families throughout the year. You can find further details by clicking here

[PSA](#)

### Cleaning Vacancy

Cleaner required for 6hrs a week

2hrs (15.20 - 17.20) per night Wed - Fri

An enhanced DBS will be required

Please contact Stuart Daniels, Site Manager via the school office for further details.

### St Luke's Hospice Festive Friday Thanks

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Festive Friday event before Christmas - you raised an fabulous **£362.35** towards the cost of delivering end of life care in our local community.

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## Wall of Fame

We have some wonderful pieces of writing on our Wall of Fame in the Main Hall from the following talented writers:

Harry K	FHB	Zayne B	3O
Robert W	FWH	Rose W	3T
George S	1B	Amber W	3Y
Lexi S	1NH	Charlotte W	4JG
Annabella H	1/2K	Brooke W	4LG
Ashton P	2BH	Phoebe W	4M
Afia K	2KW	Ruby W	5DH
		Summer M-B	5L
		Luke B	5M
		Abby S	6C
		Luca M	6R
		Abigail E	6S

## Pupil Successes

Well done to Annabel P 5L for passing her Grade 2 Flute exam with Distinction.



Well done too to Sienna D 3O for achieving her level 5 British Gymnastics proficiency award and to Guilhem De V FWH for gaining his level 2 Learn to Swim award.



## Gingerbread Man Visit

Our Foundation Stage children had an amazing trip to see the Gingerbread Man at the Theatre Royal last week.

Their behaviour was superb and it certainly inspired us for our topic this term.

Jax - "I liked it when the gingerbread man kept hiding."

Seth - "I liked it when the old woman kissed the dog!"

Spirit - "I liked it when the Gingerbread Man turned his head and came to life."

Harry - "I liked it when the fox sneezed and the Gingerbread Man flew!"

## High 5 Netball Tournament

Last Tuesday, Goosewell's Netball team competed in the group stage of the Plymouth Tournament. We won 4 games and drew one so were very happy that we made it to the finals to compete with the winners of the other 5 groups on Thursday. The finals competition was fierce and standards were very high. There was a tie for 5th place, 3rd place and 1st place so places were decided on goal difference - this had never happened before. Though our results were not what we'd hoped for, Mrs Champion and myself were thrilled with the courage and determination our team approached every game. They all improved their netball skills greatly and are better players as a result of reaching the finals. We are 6th in Plymouth overall - a great result and a massive well done!



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### **Parking around the school**

Again, we ask that you are considerate when driving to school to drop off and collect your children, and do not compromise the safety of any of our children by stopping on the zig zag lines, across our neighbours driveways or by mounting the pavements. The safety of all of our children is paramount and we would urge you to be mindful of children and families making their way to school on foot. Incidents of bad parking may be reported to the local authority and police by any member of the public and we would urge you to park and drive safely around the school perimeter. Thank you for your cooperation and for keeping our children safe.



### **Dates for your diaries**

#### **JANUARY**

**Tuesday 29th**

Y6 Rowing Championships at Plymstock School

**Thursday 31st**

Y3 Viking Day

#### **FEBRUARY**

**Friday 1st**

2BH Family Assembly in the Main Hall 2.30-3.00pm

PAAC Cross Country Race 2 at Oreston Academy at 4.00pm

**Monday 4th**

Year 6 Assessment Week

**Tuesday 5th**

Safer Internet Day

**Wednesday 6th**

Key Stage 1 Peep into Pepys Day

**Thursday 7th**

Year 4 Rainforest Day

**Friday 8th**

Non Pupil Day

### **Future dates:**

**Friday 8th February**

**Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February**

**Friday 22nd March**

**Tuesday 26th March**

**Wednesday 27th March and**

**Monday-Wednesday 1st-3rd April**

**Friday 5th April**

**Monday 8th April - Monday 22nd April**

**Tuesday 23rd April**

**Wednesday 24th April**

Non Pupil Day

February Term Break

Annual Pupil Progress Reports

National Child Measurement

Programme for Foundation Stage and Year 6

Parent and Child Consultations

Last day of term, normal finish time

Easter break

Non Pupil Day

First day of Term 5 for children

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