

George Tomlinson News

Dear Parents and Carers,



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We certainly are struggling to keep up with the weather this week, but finally we seem to have some decent sunshine and I hope you enjoy it with your families over this long weekend!

On Monday, Polly the vicar at St Johns came into school to discuss self-belief with the pupils in assembly. The children took a lot from it and we thank her for taking the time to come in and visit us.

This week our Year 4s enjoyed a Tudor feast in school. The children made Tudor ship biscuits and hot apple cider and experienced what a Tudor period banquet would be like! Looks like they had a fabulous time.

On Thursday we ran a KS2 SATs meeting for our Y6 parents to go over details of SATs week. If any of you couldn't make it but would like more info please contact Ms Shakes the Head of Y6 and she can help you with this.

I've seen some incredible work this week at GT in all year groups. In Reception, children have been enjoying the hatching of our chicks! They have been writing about the chicks' development and am sure will be very sad to say goodbye to them today! Well done especially to Gloria and Albert from YR Otter class, who came to show me their superb work with Ms Moss!

I was very impressed with Year 5 this week as they worked on measuring angles accurately with protractors. All three classes were working hard to get the right answers and improve their skills. I particularly enjoyed watching how talk partners are used so effectively to enable children to correct and support their peers. Well done Year 5!

In Year 3 today we saw some excellent drama activities based around the text 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane' by Kate Di Camillo. The children spoke enthusiastically about the story and can't wait to read more from this author.

In our Star of the Week' assembly today I heard the wonderful reasons behind why pupils were chosen by their teachers. It is fantastic to see the attributes of growth mind-set and resilience being valued, and to hear how children have been rewarded for having excellent manners, social interactions with their friends as well as producing high quality work. Well done to our stars this week!

Weekly Events

Head Teacher Drop-in – Every
Wednesday between 9:15 am
and 11 am
(Please book at the office)

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Toddler Group every
Wednesday from 9:15 – 10:45
am

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English classes for Parents and
Carers – Every Wednesday at
3:30 pm

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Parents' Reading Morning
with children in Y1 & Y2 –
Every Thursday between 8:45
am and 9:15 am

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Whole school Star of the
Week assembly – every Friday
at 9 am

Upcoming dates

Monday 7th May

May Day – School closed

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Wednesday 9th May

Y1-6 Open Afternoon

Friday 11th May

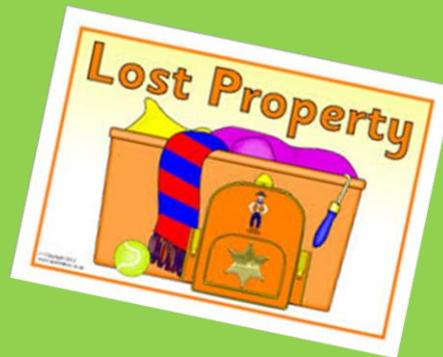
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Today we are enjoying non-uniform day to raise money for Cancer Research. This will also be followed by a Bake Sale in the KS2 playground after school. Both of these fundraising event ideas were the idea of Sara and Alizah from Year 6! Next Friday 11th May, Nusaybah and Amirah will be holding a jewellery sale in the playground for Cancer Research too. Wonderful to see our Y6s thinking of others and coming up with plans like this, it makes us very proud of you all.

Don't forget it is bank holiday on Monday and so we will see you back at school on Tuesday! I hope you enjoy a wonderful weekend with your families!

Best wishes,

Verity Carter
Headteacher



The "Lost Property" box is now overflowing. In order to help parents collect their children's belongings, we are going to display everything so that you may take what is yours.

This will be happening on **Tuesday 8th May, 8:30 -9:15 and 15:00- 15:30.**

Items with no names will be available for you to take for free.

Anything left behind will be recycled.

Star of the Week



A massive **WELL DONE** to our **STARS** this week:

*Everesta, Hasan, Aisha, Adrijus, Ibrahim, Joseph, Elena, Aisha, Raluca,
Aleyna, Yusuf K, Nyla, Saleha, Ayaam, Andrei and Alizay*

Attendance

1st, Y2F, 99.0%

2nd, Y3CL & Y4W 98.8%

3rd, Y1P, 98.5%

**Punctuality was very poor this week. Please ensure
your child arrives at school on time.**

Class Corner

4 Dahl

Welcome to the creative class of Year 4 Dahl. We'd like to take this opportunity of being in GT's spotlight to tell you about our class and what we're learning this term.

Since September, we have been working hard to become the class of our dreams. In order to accomplish this feat, the children are all actively involved in making our classroom a safe and happy place. The children support and celebrate each other, help to build on each other's answers and are empathetic in times of need. We truly believe we behave just like a family.

We have also been lucky to welcome in a few new students recently and their presence has also contributed to making our classroom a better, brighter and more brilliant place.

In English, we are studying the novel *Varjak Paw* by SF Said. It is a fast-paced mystery tale about a cat who must learn to fight to save his family and to discover who he really is. Children are using this text to create newspaper articles, advertisements and dramatic retellings. Children are so engaged that a few have even gotten their own copies to read thoroughly at home!

In Mathematics, we just finished studying the 12 and 24 hour clocks and are beginning our perimeter and area units. The children are all using their growth mindsets to overcome challenges as they use the CPA approach to solve problems and discuss Maths to develop a deeper understanding. We especially love singing songs to make Maths even more fun!

We also have a plethora of other topics to learn about. Students are currently studying the Tudors in History, Judaism and Passover in Religious Education, living things and their habitats in Science, healthy foods in French, relationships in PSHE, masquerades in Art, a range of topics in PE and we have become musicians in Computing. We also read every day in *Destination Reader* and students are challenging themselves to read with everyone in the class. Most excitingly, we have begun swimming lessons every Friday!

It's hard to believe that it's the end of April already; the school year is flying by but we still feel that we have so much we wish to accomplish together.

Thanks so much for taking the time to read our class corner!

Written by Ms Tamblyn with the help of the fantastic students of Year 4 Dahl