



Gateford Park Primary School

16th March 2026

Dear Families,

Good News Assembly

Congratulations to Romy, Eleanor, Georgie, Defne, Freddie and Lily-Mae who all received a special mention in last Friday's Good News assembly. It is my favourite assembly of the week, particularly hearing about how each one of these children have demonstrated our school values of perseverance, aspiration, respect and kindness. Well done to you all and thank you to the adults who were able to join us.

Parking

As I am sure that you are aware, we are having daily issues with parking around the school site. Over the last few weeks, I have contacted the local police and Nottinghamshire Council and this weekend I have also reached out to Jo White MP. As a community, our biggest concern is that a child may come to harm due to this situation. Please be reassured that we are doing all we can to access some support on the matter and feel free to contact any of the above if you have concerns.

Sporting Events

Last week was a busy sporting one!

14 of our children went to the Retford Oaks dance festival, they all did such a fantastic job and we were lucky enough to watch a performance of their dance in assembly on Friday – well done, you were amazing!

Both our boys and girls teams had matches last week and both games we won 2-1! Well done to all of you for your perseverance!



PTFA Easter Bonanza

Thank you all for your generous tombola donations for our Easter Bonanza, being held next Thursday 26th March, straight after school in the hall. We hope to you there!

Visitor to Elf Class

On Friday, Elf class had a special visitor - Mel, who works for the library service. She read some stories and did some singing with the children, it was a lovely morning. Thank you Mrs Spencer for planning this for the children!

Neat and Tidy Classroom Award

Mr Crich chose Mr Mangham and Phoenix Class to receive his 'Neat and Tidy Classroom' award last week. Well done for looking after your classroom so well Phoenix Class!

Happy Birthday to You!

Birthday wishes for this week go to:

Nathan, who is 11 today!

Rena, who is 7 on Friday!

Drew, who is 8 on Sunday!

We hope that you all have a wonderful birthday 😊

School Events This Week

Just a reminder that Parents Evening is being held on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. This is an opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher about how they have progressed through this school year, any worries and next steps. We look forward to seeing you all.



Finally

You may notice that I am currently acting headteacher again as, unfortunately, Mrs Doyle is currently unwell. We hope Mrs Doyle will be well again soon but in the mean time, if you have a question, a comment, a suggestion or a worry, please do not hesitate to get in touch. If you need to speak to either myself or your child's class teacher, please contact school to make an appointment and we will do our very best to help.

With my very best wishes,

Joanna Green

Acting-Headteacher

