



Gateford Park Primary School

2 March 2026

Dear Families,

Practically Perfect in Every Way

Congratulations to Lyla, Matilda, Gracie, Jude, Arthur, Zac and Scarlett, who all received a special mention in last Friday's Good News assembly - we are so proud of you all! Thank you to the grown-ups who joined us to celebrate the children's achievements 😊

Perfectly Punctual Every Day!

School attendance is so important and unless they are too poorly to attend, the children should be at school, on time every day! Our aim is for each class to achieve at least 95% attendance each week. Class attendance for last week is as follows:

Elf	96.8%
Gnome	94.8%
Pixie	96.3%
Unicorn	98.1%
Phoenix	96%
Dragon	94.3%
Griffin	93.2%
Minotaur	97.7%

Well done to Unicorn Class, who were last week's top attenders and to all of the classes that exceeded our 95% attendance target last week! Weekly attendance is displayed on the noticeboard outside my office 😊

Neat and Tidy Classroom Award

Mr Crich chose Miss Unwin and her Gnomes and her Minotaurs to receive his 'Neat and Tidy Classroom' award last week. Well done for being super neat and tidy!

Happy Birthday to You!

Birthday wishes for this week go to:

Lottie, who is 5 on Wednesday!

Thomas, who is 9 on Thursday!

John, who is 9 on Friday!

Elliot, who is 10 on Friday!

We hope that you all have a wonderful birthday 😊

School Events

As part of their topic on 'The Romans', Mrs Hibbert and her Dragons visited Southwell Minster last Monday to explore 'The Romans in Southwell'.

The Minster and its grounds stand on the remains of a large Roman villa. During their visit, the children looked at evidence, handled objects and learned about archaeology. A fun and educational day was had by all. Thank you to Mrs Hibbert and Mrs Ellis for organising.

Last Friday, we hosted 'Coffee and Chat with Kerry'. Kerry works for the Bassetlaw Primary Behaviour Partnership and can offer help and advice if you are struggling with your child's behaviour, sleep routine or eating. Thank you to Kerry for joining us - we hope those of you who attended found it helpful 😊



Silver Service!

Mrs Smyth, one of our fantastic teaching assistants has received her Long Service Award – she has now worked for Nottinghamshire County Council for an impressive 25 years! Congratulations, Mrs Smyth 😊

Finally

As always, 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,

Paula Doyle .

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Headteacher

