



Gateford Park Primary School

29th June 2026

Dear Families,

Good luck Year 6!

As many of our Year 6 children head out on their transition days this week, we want to say, 'Good Luck!' – it is always a mix of excitement and nerves but we know that you will have a great time and won't get lost! We can't wait to hear all about it on Friday.

Sports Day – Friday 3rd July

We are looking forward to our annual Sports Day on Friday. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing suitable sports clothing and footwear in their house colours. Parents and carers are warmly invited to come along and support the children. If attending, please feel free to bring a chair for your comfort. To help reduce congestion, we encourage families to walk where possible or car share, as parking at the shared school/leisure centre car park will be limited. The event will take place on the playing field at Outwood Academy Valley (next to Baulk Lane).

Event Timings:

Key Stage 2: 9:00am – 11:30am

FS2 & Key Stage 1: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

All children will return to school before the end of the normal school day.

Wheelchair sports

Children from Nursery Class to Minotaur Class enjoyed wheelchair sports sessions last week. Taking part in games, archery, basketball and other fun activities, it really was a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop new



skills, challenge themselves and experience a range of adapted sports. The sessions also helped to promote teamwork, resilience and a greater understanding of inclusivity, with everyone thoroughly enjoying the experience.

Welcome back Mrs Gough!

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Gough back to school today. Mrs Gough will be joining the Year 6 teaching team on Mondays and Tuesdays until the end of this term. We are so pleased to have her back with us and know that both the staff and children will enjoy working with her once again. Welcome back, Mrs Gough!

Year 6 – Make £5 Grow

It was busy week for our entrepreneurial Year 6s!

On Monday, they entered the Dragon's Den! Presenting their business plan and products to Julie and Rachel, 2 ex Gateford Park parents who are both business owners, and Mrs Lester with her Business Manager experience and me, with my consumer experience! I was so proud of them – their presentations were amazing! As an aside, Julie – whose 3 children all attended Gateford and are now in their twenties – had a tour round the school and later emailed to say what a happy, caring school it feels from Nursery to Year 6 and how impressed she was with our Year 6 children. 😊

On Wednesday, we took our products to Worksop Market. I had several members of the public approach me to say how polite and mature the children all were, they were so impressive and it was a huge success – winners will be announced later this week!

Dates for your diary

Friday 3rd July – School Sports day for FS2-Year 6

Friday 17th July - Gateford Hoe Down (our favourite PTFA event of the year, the Summer Fayre!) Tickets on sale now!

Further details and times will be shared nearer to each event.



Happy Birthday to you!

Happy birthday to Alex, who turns 9 on Tuesday!

Happy birthday to Oliver, who turns 5 on Wednesday!

Happy birthday to Hunter, Valo and Hope, who all turn 9 on Thursday!

Happy birthday to George, who turns 11 on Saturday!

Happy birthday to Elaina, who turns 7, Oliver, who turns 6, and Max, who turns 10 on Sunday!

Have a lovely week everyone,

With my very best wishes,

Joanna Green

Acting-Head teacher

