



Gateford Park Primary School

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Dear Families,

Practically Perfect in Every Way

Due to school photo's, there was no Good News assembly last Friday. It will resume this week 😊

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	97.1%
Pixie	96.7%
Unicorn	96.4%
Phoenix	95.9%
Dragon	96.4%
Griffin	97.4%
Minotaur	97.5%

Every class in school exceeded our 95% attendance target last week! Brilliant job!! Weekly attendance is displayed on the noticeboard outside Mrs Doyle's office 😊

Neat and Tidy Classroom Award

Mr Crich chose Mr Boulton and his Unicorns 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:

Bella, who is 7 on Tuesday!

Amelka, who is 10 on Tuesday!

Chloe, who is 6 on Wednesday!

Noah, who is 11 on Wednesday and will be having fun at Hagg Farm!

Hallie, who is 8 on Sunday!

We hope that you all have a wonderful birthday 😊

Baby Taylor

We are over the moon to let you know that Mrs Taylor's little girl arrived safely on 22 September, weighing in at 8lb 1oz. Evelyn Rose Taylor, welcome to the world! She is absolutely beautiful – huge congratulations to Mummy and Daddy Taylor – we are so happy for you all 😊

Fond Farewell

Ally Young, one of our midday supervisors is leaving us this week. On behalf of everyone at Gateford Park I would like to thank her for all of her hard work during her time with us and wish her the very best for the future.

School Events

Last Friday was school photograph day. Thanks to to Faith and Gracie's superb organisational skills, the day ran beautifully smoothly! Thank you, girls, for doing such a wonderful job 😊

Thanks to those who donated baked goods and to everyone who supported our Macmillan coffee afternoon last Friday. We will let you know how much was raised very soon.

'McGateford Day' makes a popular comeback on Thursday this week! Chef Lou and her team will be cooking up a storm in the kitchen, making the children's favourite meal. We can't wait!



Our Year six children have departed for Hagg Farm today! They will have a brilliant week taking part in a variety of exciting activities and challenging themselves to step out of their comfort zones. It's such a valuable week for the children in terms of team building and supporting each other, whilst having lots of fun in the process. Have the most amazing time, Minotaurs and **please** make sure that you let Mrs Green, Mrs Dawes and Mr Boulton get plenty of rest!

There will be a 'Pre-loved' uniform sale on Wednesday this week. Do come along and pick up some bargains. The stall will be outside the front of school at the end of the school day, unless it rains, in which case, it will be in the school hall. Thank you to Mrs Spencer for organising 😊

Future Olympians?!

I received an email from Nathan's (Y6) mum yesterday evening, sharing some amazing news about achievements out of school.

Dear Mrs Doyle,

Allow me to share some other good news with you from the weekend.

Nathan, Jake and Jack (all in year 6) competed in the annual 'Bill Parr open swimming gala at Worksop leisure centre on Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th September.

Nathan and Jake are 'A squad counties' members, Jack is a squad B member of Worksop Dolphins swim team. They competed in 7 races each, over 2 days, warming up from 8am. They all achieved their personal best times!

Nathan and Jake achieved bronze, silver and gold medals.

Jack joined the squad a little later than Nathan and Jake, but has come away with excellent times with huge determination to be joining them in squad A very soon.

They train 4/5 times a week and travel round the county for competitions and represented Gateford Park Primary school brilliantly, showing passion and commitment and achieving their personal goals in swimming. We're always asked 'what school does your child go to?', as they compliment the good behaviour, excellent manners and kind conduct to their team mates and coaches from all 3 boys.

Huge congratulations to Nathan, Jake and Jack – what a wonderful achievement and how lovely to read that people comment on your exemplary behaviour and ask which school you go to; you have done yourselves and all of us proud 😊



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

