



# Girton Glebe Newsletter

Issue 7

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

As the autumn term draws itself to a close, Girton Glebe Primary has been its usual hive of activity with many exciting things happening in and around school.

## FOGG Christmas Fair

The Friends of Girton Glebe (FOGG) Christmas Fair was an amazing success this year, with the hall and classrooms filled with festive stalls and activities to raise money for the school.

Amongst our stalls we had Santa's grotto, face painting, mulled wine and mince pies, festive games and an array of beautiful homemade arts and crafts to purchase.

The event was incredibly well attended and visitors were treated to two wonderful carol performances by the Girton Community Choir and the school choir which was led by Mrs Whitworth.

I must extend our gratitude to FOGG who raised over £1400 for the school at this event. An enormous thank you as well to Girton Town Charity who agreed to match fund the Christmas Fair in order to help us pay for new interactive whiteboards in our classrooms.

## Key Stage 1 Performance

Congratulations to our children in Years 1 & 2 who performed their Christmas production, *Christmas Around the World*, on Friday 9 December to two packed audiences.

The performance was linked to the children's topic work, *Around the World*, and saw our pupils telling the Christmas story by visiting different countries to learn about how other cultures celebrate Christmas around the world. The children then returned from their travels to give gifts to Jesus, telling him about their own traditions.

Our children worked so hard to learn their lines and rehearse the range of wonderful songs that they sang. They performed brilliantly over the two shows and did themselves proud! Well done to all of our children and many thanks to our KS1 staff for their hard work in putting the story together!

## Swimming Success

On Tuesday 6 December sixteen of our Year 5 & 6 children took part in a swimming gala at Impington Village College and spent the morning competing against three other schools in a range of disciplines.

The children took part in breast stroke, freestyle, t-shirt and float races and ended the morning scoring a total of 104 points, beating Histon Juniors to first place.



The children were fabulous ambassadors for Girton Glebe and demonstrated an amazing sporting attitude – congratulations to all who took part in this event!

## Singfest

As part of the Singfest Project run by Cambridgeshire Music, our children were treated to a special assembly in late November led by two opera singers who performed their show, *Operatastic*.

Girton Glebe also hosted two saxophonists from Cambridge University who came to perform for our children and talked to them about learning to play instruments. The sessions were hugely enjoyable and were a real inspiration to our young musicians.



## Terrific Scientific

Since mid-November, some of our KS2 classes have embarked on the journey of completing work for the BBC's Terrific Scientific event. Terrific Scientific is a nationwide campaign aimed at involving 9 – 11 year olds in mass-participation investigations across 2017. Our children, led by Mrs Storer, have begun some of the preliminary work and are now registered to take part in the other events which will begin as of January.



There has been some incredibly exciting science work taking place around school this term and, just recently, our children got to spend time looking for bones and skeletons by dissecting owl pellets. The children involved found a wide variety of bones, including skulls, thighs, pelvis, ribs and jaw bones, from a number of small mammals. The children observed the different bones and sorted and classified them before trying to rebuild a full skeleton.



## Wimpole Hall Run

On Tuesday 29 November, 54 children from Years 4 to 6 took part in the Cross Country Competition at Wimpole Hall where our pupils competed against children from other schools within their respective year groups.

It was a fantastic event and great to see such perseverance, dedication and team-spirit shown by all who took part. Congratulations to all of our runners!!

## EYFS Nativity

Our EYFS children are working very hard on rehearsals for their nativity which will be called *Christmas with a Twist!* They are due to perform the nativity on Friday 16 December and will be having a dress rehearsal on Thursday 15 which will be performed in front of an audience made up of our pupils along with our friends from Scallywags, Girton Nursery and Cottontails. The rehearsals have looked excellent and I am sure our youngest children will be brilliant!

## Book Week

Between Monday 28 November and Friday 2 December all of our children participated in an incredibly exciting, Roald Dahl themed book week which saw a range of activities, competitions and events take place around the school.

The week began with a fancy dress day where children and staff came dressed up as their favourite Roald Dahl characters and the children were also treated to an assembly led by Pippa Goodhart, author of *Winnie the Witch*. Pippa returned on Tuesday to lead story writing workshops in a number of classes, and throughout the week the children were encouraged to take part in a range of competitions including, Extreme Reading (have your photo taken reading a book in an unusual location), Find the Wally (search for the *Where's Wally* characters around school) and Guess the Teacher (identify the teacher hiding behind their favourite children's book).

Huge thanks to staff for preparing such amazing activities, and well done to Mr Kohler for organising the week's visitors and competitions!

## Parking Reminder

I would like to remind all parents that the school driveway is for staff and deliveries only, unless using the disabled parking. Children use this driveway, and for their safety, it is important to minimise traffic.

The main times we see unauthorised usage is when running late for drop offs and pick ups, and during after-school clubs.

Please take an extra two minutes to park nearby, and help keep our children safe.

## Christmas Wishes

This will be the final issue of the school newsletter before the end of term (Tuesday 20 December) so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas on behalf of everyone at Girton Glebe Primary School and thank you for the continued support you have shown this term!

Just a reminder that Wednesday 4 January is an Inset day and the school will reopen on Thursday 5 January.

I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

Best wishes,

*Mr Andrew Simpson*

Headteacher

# LUNCH MENU



## WEEK 1

Weeks commencing: 29<sup>th</sup> Aug • 19<sup>th</sup> Sept • 10<sup>th</sup> Oct • 7<sup>th</sup> Nov • 28<sup>th</sup> Nov • 19<sup>th</sup> Dec • 10<sup>th</sup> Jan • 6<sup>th</sup> Feb • 6<sup>th</sup> Mar • 27<sup>th</sup> Mar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Award winning pork sausages with gravy and mashed potatoes	Organic beef chili with mixed rice	Chicken pasta bake with garlic and herb focaccia	Roast pork, stuffing, apple sauce and gravy with roast potatoes	Battered cod fillet with tomato sauce and chips
	Quorn sausage with gravy and mashed potatoes ✓	Macaroni cheese and wholemeal bread ✓	Cheesy parsnip bake with garlic and herb focaccia ✓	Roasted pepper filon with roast potatoes ✓	Quorn dippers with BBQ sauce and chips ✓
	Salmon salad wrap	Jacket potato with baked beans ✓	Ham Ploughman's	Jacket potato with tuna and sweetcorn	Egg and cress on an open bun ✓
DESSERTS	Chocolate surprise cake and organic milk	Apple and banana crisp with custard 50p	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Peach pudding with vanilla sauce	Mini chocolate oat biscuit and fruit 50p
	Organic yogurt	Fruit and yogurt granola pot 60p	Organic yogurt	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt

50p  
Contains 50% fruit

## WEEK 2

Weeks commencing: 5<sup>th</sup> Sept • 26<sup>th</sup> Sept • 17<sup>th</sup> Oct • 14<sup>th</sup> Nov • 5<sup>th</sup> Dec • 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan • 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan • 20<sup>th</sup> Feb • 13<sup>th</sup> Mar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Local pork and apple grill in a bun	Leek and ham pasta bake with french bread	Organic minced beef pie with gravy and mashed potatoes	Roast chicken, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes	Salmon bites or cod goujons with chips
	Quorn grill in a bun ✓	Bean and vegetable bake with diced potatoes ✓	Falafels in a wrap with winter slow ✓	Quorn fillet, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes ✓	Vegetable enchilada with mixed rice ✓
	Jacket potato with baked beans ✓	Tuna and cucumber roll	Ham salad baguette	Cheese salad wrap ✓	Jacket potato with cheese and winter slow ✓
DESSERTS	Fudge tart with chocolate sauce	Sticky toffee apple sponge with custard 50p	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Strawberry whip and a mini shortbread biscuit	Mini gingerbread and fruit 50p
	Fruit and yogurt granola pot 60p	Organic yogurt	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt

## WEEK 3

Weeks commencing: 12<sup>th</sup> Sept • 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct • 31<sup>st</sup> Oct • 21<sup>st</sup> Nov • 12<sup>th</sup> Dec • 9<sup>th</sup> Jan • 30<sup>th</sup> Jan • 27<sup>th</sup> Feb • 20<sup>th</sup> Mar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Organic beef lasagne with garlic bread	Chicken and sweetcorn pie with gravy and mashed potatoes	Mega ham and tomato pizza	Roast turkey, stuffing and gravy with roast potatoes	Fish fingers and chips
	Sweet potato and chickpea curry with mixed rice ✓	Neapolitan pasta with garlic and herb focaccia ✓	Mega cheese and tomato pizza ✓	Vegetable samosas with rice and yogurt and mini dip ✓	Spanish fritata and chips ✓
	Egg and cress baguette ✓	Jacket potato with baked beans ✓	Jacket potato with tuna mayonnaise	Ham salad baguette	Sausages under wraps
DESSERTS	Rice pudding with mandarin oranges	Cappuccino cake with organic milk	Wicked fruity Wednesday	Apple pie with custard 50p	Mini flapjack and fruit 60p
	Frozen yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt	Organic yogurt	Fruit and yogurt granola pot 60p

### AVAILABLE DAILY!

- Seasonal vegetables
- Salad bar
- Freshly baked bread
- Fresh water

### ALTERNATIVE DESSERTS

- Cheese & biscuits
- or
- Fresh fruit with a drink



Salad bar available subject to the style of service. Some menu or items on the menu are subject to change. All vegetables are seasonal with the exception of peas, sweetcorn and baked beans.