



Girton Glebe Newsletter

Issue 9

Friday 27th January 2017

With the Spring Term well and truly underway, there have been many exciting things taking place at Girton Glebe Primary School. Please read on for a round-up of some of the things which have been taking place in and around school over the last two weeks...

FOGG News & Events

FOGG events this term include the Spring Jumble Sale on Saturday 11th March (a great reason to clear your clutter! Details and bags will be sent out in February) and the popular Easter Event after school on Friday 31st March. Please put these dates in your diary and come along, or sign up to volunteer nearer the time, and support FOGG.

In addition, FOGG would REALLY appreciate help to make sure the KS1/KS2 Discos in April and a Quiz Night (date tbc) can go ahead. We know from feedback that the children love the discos, and who doesn't enjoy a good quiz night? Please talk to your FOGG Class Rep or email contactfogg@gmail.com if you are able to help with either of these. The class reps are:

Ash (R) - Jen Ashford and Rosalyn Parsons

Oak (Y1/2) - Alison Wright and Annika Osborne

Willow (Y1/2) - Freya Redman and Kate Sherwood

Lime (Y3) - Ingaret Faulkner

Rowan (Y3/4) - Susan Lomax

Maple (Y4/5) - Francesca De Angeli and Jorge Gonzalez

Cherry (Y5) - Ioana Campean

Birch (Y6) - Carolee Fairbanks and Helen McLachlan

And, don't forget, if you have a Co-op membership card you can choose to support FOGG as your local charity so that every time you use your membership card, the Co-op will make a donation to FOGG.

Live Lesson Launch!

As referenced in the last edition of the newsletter, January 16 saw the launch of the BBC's 500 Words Story Writing competition and, to mark this event, Maple Class took part in the Live Launch. This was a unique, online event aimed at inspiring our young writers.

The children watched a nationwide lesson with children's authors, Malorie Blackman and Frank Cottrell Boyce, learning about the importance of setting and character in their stories.

The children will now be getting all imaginative and creative as they work towards their own short stories to enter in to the competition. Who knows, a winner may well be among us!

This competition is open to all 5 – 13 year olds across the UK, so if you would like more information, please see the BBC's 500 Words website for ideas and resources.

Braille in Key Stage 1

Our Key Stage 1 pupils have been learning all about Louis Braille in their topic work. They have been exploring the ways in which his work has transformed the lives of millions and even wrote their own names in Braille using raisins.

With Mrs Boorman, the children discovered how difficult it is to play musical instruments without being able to see and tried it for themselves using xylophones.



Poetry Writing Competition

Do you like writing poetry? Could you be the next Michael Rosen or Benjamin Zephaniah?

Girton Musical Theatre is putting on a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta called *Patience*, which is about two poets. They are very bad poets and write dreadful verses. One uses long words which no-one understands and the other writes rhyming rubbish.

Can you help us to show them how it should be done?

Please write a poem about Girton, or somebody you know. It shouldn't be any more than twelve lines long, but it can be shorter if you like. Entries should be written in neat, or typed, as we will display them all when we are performing so that the audience will see them!

There will be three prizes available:

One for Y1 & 2

One for Y3 & 4

One for Y5 & 6

These will be awarded at the afternoon performance on Saturday 25th February. Please make sure you hand your entry in to the Office by Tuesday 21st February.

Good Luck and we look forward to reading them!

Parking at the Recreation Ground

I have had reports of dangerous driving and parking in the Rec car park during school drop-off and collection times.

We should be considerate of all the users of this car park and access road and not block the access road or park on verges. There is parking on the surrounding roads, as shown by the road markings, so please take the time to park sensibly and help keep all our pupils and families safe.

Lateness & Attendance

I have previously raised the issue of lateness in the school newsletter and would like to reiterate the point that arriving on time for school is vital in supporting your child's education. By law, children arriving after the closure of the register are registered as 'unauthorised' and this impacts greatly on their percentage of overall attendance.

Our Education Welfare Officer was in school this week and was particularly interested in the number of late arrivals. The EWO will be returning to Girton Glebe between now and the end of term to do a 'Late Gate' exercise, challenging parents who are doing drop-off after the closure of the register.

Year 6 Creative Writing

This week Birch class have been writing stories about a journey in Brazil based on the book *Journey to the River Sea* by Eva Ibotson.

Freya W (Birch) wrote, "Emily was surrounded by lush vegetation - elegant, emerald green trees covered in dappled creepers lined the mud-brown riverbank, sunset orange blooms and scarlet orchids hanging from vines glistened like jewels in a shaft of sunlight."

Austin wrote, "Cold-blooded alligators floated like logs; sandy capybaras scuttled on the sandbank; rainbow-coloured parakeets took off from a dead tree and soared away."

The children have clearly been working on their descriptive writing skills – well done all!



Diary Dates

Following the longer list of dates in the last newsletter, here are a few of the more immediate ones for your attention:

Lime and Rowan Artscrapers Project: Tues 31 Jan

EYFS & KS1 Singfest Workshops: Fri 3 Feb (0900 – 1100)

Y5/6 Choir Visit the O2: Tues 7 Feb

Lime and Rowan Artscrapers Project: Tues 7 Feb

Oak Class Assembly: Fri 10 Feb (0900)

Half Term: Mon 13 – Fri 17 Feb

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Andrew Simpson

Headteacher

LUNCH MENU



WEEK 1

Weeks commencing: 29th Aug • 19th Sept • 10th Oct • 7th Nov • 28th Nov • 19th Dec • 16th Jan • 6th Feb • 6th Mar • 27th 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: 5th Sept • 26th Sept • 17th Oct • 14th Nov • 5th Dec • 2nd Jan • 23rd Jan • 20th Feb • 13th 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: 12th Sept • 3rd Oct • 31st Oct • 21st Nov • 12th Dec • 9th Jan • 30th Jan • 27th Feb • 20th 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 ✓	Nepalton 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.

