



Girton Glebe Newsletter

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Friday 22 March 2019

It has been an incredibly busy fortnight at Girton Glebe with many exciting activities taking place within and around our classrooms. Please read on for a round-up of our recent news...

Jumble Sale Success

Many thanks to our fabulous FOGG committee and all who came out to support the Spring Jumble Sale on Saturday 9 March.

In total, the jumble sale raised £1100 for Girton Glebe and we are incredibly grateful for these funds, which will continue to support curriculum provision in school.

Mission: Impossible?

Well done to all pupils who took part in last Friday's Mission: Impossible? challenges for Comic Relief! The entries we received were utterly staggering and our staff had such a difficult time judging the creativity and ingenuity shown across the range of tasks!

We did eventually pick winning entries for each category (apart from the wire coat hanger task, which nobody entered...poor coat hangers!) and prizes were awarded in an assembly at the end of the day. The winners for each category were as follows:

Toast Sculpture: Imogen (Maple) & Alicia (Oak)

Toilet Roll Picture: Thea (Ash)

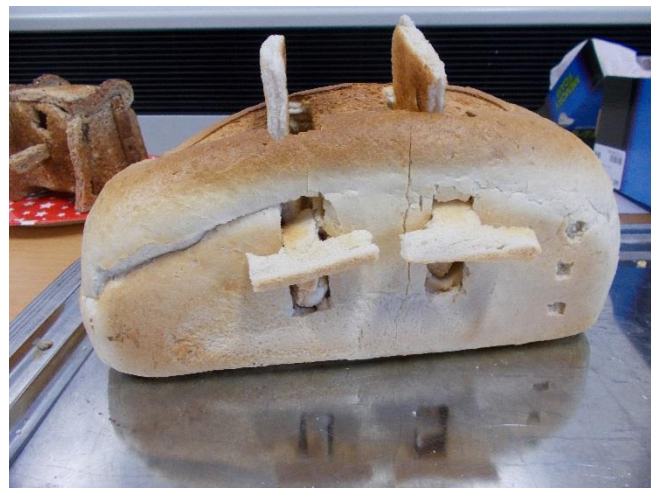
Longest Line of Pasta: Lottie (Lime)

Impressive Photograph: Ruth (Maple)

Object Resembling Something Else: Toby (Birch)

We posted some photos of the entries on the Twitter feed during the day @GirtonglebePS and more pictures can be seen below.

Girton Glebe raised £142 for Comic Relief through this event – thank you all for your support!



A toaster made of toast!



A picture made from one toilet roll!

Academy Consultation Meeting

Further to the ParentMail which was circulated on Tuesday, please note that we have rescheduled the academy consultation meeting and this will now take place on Thursday 28 March.

This session will begin at 1830 and will be held in the school hall. I look forward to welcoming you to this meeting.

Big Pedal 2019

Over the next fortnight, Girton Glebe will once again be taking part in the Sustrans Big Pedal event where parents, pupils and staff are encouraged to travel to and from school using human power.

This year, for the first time, walking will be counted alongside cycling and scooting and each day staff will record the number of human-powered journeys made by their classes. These figures will then be entered into a national database which will see us compete against other similar-sized schools across the UK.

Thank you in advance for your support of this event!

Escaped Gorilla

Last week, our children were shocked to find that the escaped gorilla we had warned them about appeared during assembly and chased both Mr Cates and Mr Simpson around the playground.

The gorilla, which later transpired to be our very own Mr Austin in fancy dress, sat down for a rest on top of Mr Simpson before it was coaxed to safety by the amazingly brave Miss Pyle brandishing a banana. The children produced some fabulously entertaining writing as a result of this gorilla encounter – many thanks to all for taking part in such good spirits!



Music Live!

On 19 March, we were very excited to welcome Simon Mayor and Hilary James to Girton Glebe, as we took part in Cambridgeshire Music Live, the annual festival of events offering young people a taste of world-class music up close.

Simon is one of the world's foremost mandolinists, and Hilary a singer, guitarist, artist and trained teacher; as a duo, they combine a truly diverse array of talents into a hugely entertaining show, which the children enjoyed before Year 5 took part in music workshops.

It was a real pleasure to welcome the duo to Girton Glebe and our pupils thoroughly enjoyed their morning of music!

P4C Questions

25.3.19 – How can you tell when you know something?

1.4.19 – What is the smallest thing in the world?

School Development

Over the last fortnight, staff meetings have focussed on standards within maths. Last week staff met to moderate work across the school and this week we were joined by a maths advisor who led a workshop on developing styles of questioning.

Egg Rolling

On Friday 5 April, Girton Glebe will be hosting its first ever egg rolling eggstravaganza in the school hall!

We are challenging our pupils to bring a decorated (hard boiled) egg to school to 'race' down a specially constructed ramp throughout the morning. Get your thinking caps on and plan your designs as the School Council will be awarding a prize for The Best Dressed Egg in each class. There will also be a prize for the egg which travels furthest down our ramp.

Children will compete in year groups and are allowed to enter one egg in the competition (chicken eggs only – no ostrich eggs, please!)

Diary Dates

Spring Term Class Assemblies – Fridays (0900 - 0930)

Willow: 29 March

Ash: 5 April

Academy Consultation Meeting: Thursday 28 March (1830)

Science Week: 25 – 29 March

Big Pedal: 25 March – 5 April

Egg Rolling: Friday 5 April

School Closes: Friday 5 April

Inset Day (School Closed): Tuesday 23 April

School Reopens: Wednesday 24 April

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Andrew Simpson

Headteacher