



Girton Glebe Newsletter

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What an exciting year we have had at Girton Glebe Primary! We are so incredibly fortunate to have such dedicated parents, carers, pupils, staff and governors and the last two weeks' events really do highlight what a wonderful community spirit we have here in school.

We still have eight packed school days remaining for this academic year, but please read on for a roundup of the last fortnight's news and events...

Staffing News

This week we were delighted to welcome Mrs Emily Little to school. Emily spent time with us during Tuesday's staff meeting and she will return on Monday when she will share the afternoon with the current Ash class as they complete moving up activities in preparation for September.

It is with regret that, at the end of the term, we will be saying farewell to Mrs Sebley. You will be aware that all schools are facing significant financial pressures, and Girton Glebe is no exception to this. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sebley for all of her hard work over the last two years and wish her well in her future endeavours.

EYFS September 2019

It has been a real pleasure to spend time with our new Foundation Stage children and their parents ahead of their official start in September.

The summer term has been jam-packed with transition dates and the children have spent lots of time in Ash class getting to know Ms Cansdale and the Early Years team.

It was lovely to welcome parents and children to Girton Glebe to share a lunch and a Pirate Picnic with us, and last night we hosted the final stage of the transition, an information evening for parents ahead of the children's first day on September 9.

Our Year 5 pupils have worked incredibly hard this term alongside the team from Relate as they prepared themselves for being buddies to our new starters. The children met their buddies yesterday and we look forward to welcoming the new cohort after the summer break!

School Performance Data

I would like to say an enormous thank you and well done to all members of staff as we celebrate another successful year at Girton Glebe.

The past three weeks have seen us submit our EYFS, Phonics and Key Stage 1 data to the local authority and this Tuesday saw the return of our Key Stage 2 SATs results.

The summary of results, which is provided below, is testament to the hard work that has been put in by all pupils and staff, and that dedication ought to be celebrated. A huge thank you to parents and carers for your continued support across the year.

Well done to all children across the school for their hard work and determination!

Key Stage 2 Results:

% Expected Standard	Reading	Writing	Maths	GPS	Combined
Girton Glebe	93%	93%	93%	96%	85%
National	75%	78%	76%	78%	64%
Cambs	73%	75%	76%	75%	62%

% Greater Depth	Reading	Writing	Maths	GPS	Combined
Girton Glebe	56%	19%	63%	56%	19%
National	28%	20%	24%	34%	9%
Cambs	28%	17%	26%	33%	9%

Key Stage 1 Results:

% Expected Standard	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
Girton Glebe	80%	75%	75%	70%
National	75%	70%	76%	65%
Cambs	74%	67%	75%	63%

% Greater Depth	Reading	Writing	Maths	Combined
Girton Glebe	45%	20%	35%	20%
National	26%	16%	22%	12%
Cambs	26%	15%	22%	11%

Year 1 Phonics Results:

Girton Glebe = 95%

National = 82%

Cambs = 80%

EYFS Good Level of Development:

Girton Glebe = 71%

National = 71%

Cambs = 70%

Lime and Birch Taste a Pizza the Action...

Last week, Lime and Birch were treated to a fantastic workshop learning how to make pizzas. They followed a recipe, weighed all of the ingredients and learnt how to knead the dough before leaving it to rise.

The children found it tricky at first to get the dough to the right consistency and they had to keep trying until they got it right. After the dough had risen, everyone shaped their dough, ladled plenty of passata on top and sprinkled it with cheese and basil. After a short time cooking in the oven, the pizzas were ready to eat: the children made the best of the beautiful weather and picnicked in the sun by the forest area.



Many thanks to Francesca De Angeli for coming in and sharing her knowledge and time with us. It was a fantastic day and was very much enjoyed by everyone.

A Tributary to Maple

On Tuesday 9 July, Maple class hopped on public transport to spend the day in Cambridge in support of their current geography topic.

The children had a lovely day walking along the river, identifying river features such as the meanders, flood plains, confluences and tributaries of the River Cam. They were also

lucky enough to see lots of amazing wildlife up close - a heron, an avocet, butterflies, fish and some very large cows too!



The children thoroughly enjoyed their walk and got lots of compliments from members of the public on their behaviour and respect for the environment. Everybody had a go at being designated photographer too and the children returned with lots of shots of their day out!

Sporting Events

This week, our pupils have been out and about taking part in a range of sporting events.

On Monday, Year 5 travelled to IVC to take part in the annual mini Olympics competition, whilst Year 1 made the same journey on the following day to compete in a multi-skills festival.

On Thursday and Friday, EYFS and Year 2 pupils also visited IVC to take part in multi-skills and tennis events respectively.

The children had an amazing time taking part in the events, where they were supported and guided by IVC students, who demonstrated each activity and gave the children lots of encouragement.

Diary Dates

Girton Feast Fete: Saturday 13 July (1215)

Moving-up Afternoons: Monday 15 July & Monday 22 July (1330 – 1500)

Report Drop-ins for Parents/Carers: Tuesday 16 July & Wednesday 17 July (1530 – 1615)

Key Stage 2 Performances: Wednesday 17 July (1800) & Thursday 18 July (1800)

Leavers' Assembly: Wednesday 24 July (0900)

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Andrew Simpson

Headteacher