



It has been a great start to the school year and it has been lovely to welcome our families and children – old and new - back! The children have started the academic year with great enthusiasm and big smiles on their faces.

There are lots of new things to look out for this year, including the launch of our core values (respect, responsibility, excellence, perseverance and compassion) themed assemblies.

Mr Chris Butler
Headteacher

Open Library

After the great success of our '**Open Library**' afterschool sessions last year, we are continuing with them this year. For this term, our school library will be open to children and parents every Thursday from 3.30-4.00pm. You are invited to join your child(ren) in our library and outdoor reading space to browse our selection of books, borrow a book, and read together after school.

During this time, the library will be manned by a member of staff. Please feel free to drop in even if it's just for a look around or a chat.

We look forward to welcoming you into school and providing a space for you to read for pleasure with your children.

Library mural competition!

We are excited to announce our newest writing competition at Girton Glebe! We have local artists coming in who will be creating murals of inspiring authors in our current library space. We would like Girton Glebe children to tell us who inspires them and why. The winners will have their authors painted onto the walls of the library. Runner-up entries may also see some tributes to their author suggestions incorporated in the overall piece. Below is an example of a mural painted in another school's library! All entries should be handed to Miss Jolly by Friday 16th September.

Meet the Teacher Evening

On Thursday 15th September, you are invited into school to meet your class teachers for Year 1-6. This will begin at 15:40 in the school hall, where there will be a brief chat in the hall with Mr Butler. Following this each class teacher will do two presentations in their classroom: the first will be at 16:00 and the second at 16:30. Each presentation will be the same and is a chance for you to meet your child's class teacher and find out about the weekly routine and any up-and-coming events/dates. We look forward to seeing you then!

PPA Cover

This year we are pleased to welcome a couple of specialist teachers to our team, who will be delivering music and computing across the school.



Mr Meachen is our new computing teacher, who will be delivering an hour of specialist computing to each class throughout the week. There will be a host of exciting and engaging topics across the school including programming, a Stop Motion project and there will even be a robot! They also cover all E-Safety aspects with our children.

Mrs Hamilton is also joining us to enhance our curriculum by complementing our topics with a range of music lessons. Again, each class will be taught music by Mrs Hamilton for an hour each week. On top of this, she will be running our choir. Any more questions about the choir, please speak to our office staff.

TA Advert

Girton Glebe are hiring Teaching Assistants for a range of part-time and full-time opportunities. Please speak to a member of the office if you are interested for more information or find out more by visiting

<https://tela.org.uk/vacancies/>

Class Assemblies

We are very pleased to let you know that we are reintroducing class assemblies this year. Each class will host an assembly during the year, which their parents and carers and invited to see along with the rest of the school. This will be held in the school hall at 9am on a Thursday and is a chance for each class to share and celebrate their work and achievements to the rest of the school community and their family. Look out for your class(es) dates below:

Ash Class Assembly

Thursday 6th July

Maple Class Assembly

Thursday 2nd February

Birch Class Assembly

Thursday 19th January

Lime Class Assembly

Thursday 10th November

Cherry Class Assembly

Thursday 27th April

Willow Class Assembly

Thursday 24th November

Oak Class Assembly

Thursday 18th May

Alongside class assemblies, there will be a host of productions throughout the year. As well as our traditional EYFS Nativity and KS1 (Year 1 and Year 2) Christmas Production, Year 3 and Year 4 will perform in their very own joint production before Easter. In the Summer term, our Year 6 class will perform their leaving production, which will be supported by our Year 5 children. More information about each production will be available nearer the time.

Upcoming dates

More information about Harvest Assembly and our Open Afternoon will follow.

9th September

FOGG Cake Sale

15th September at 15:40

Meet the Teachers

26th – 29th September

Year 6 Bike Ability

30th September at 9am

Harvest Assembly

6th October at 13:30 – 15:20

Open Afternoon

12th – 14th October

Year 5 Residential to Norfolk Lakes

14th October

Flu Vaccinations

24th – 28th October

Half Term

1st November 15:40 – 17:30

Parents' Evening

3rd November 15:40 – 19:00

Parents' Evening

10th November

Lime Class Assembly

14th November

Individual photos

15th November

Year 5 Flu Vaccinations

24th November

Willow Class Assembly

Saturday 26th November

FOGG Christmas Fair

6th December at 14:00

KS1 Production

8th December at 09:00

KS1 Production

12th December

Visit to St Andrew's Church

14th December

Christmas Jumper day and lunch

15th December

EYFS Nativity

16th December

last day of term