



## Happy New Year to you all!

We are all really impressed with how the children have settled back into school after their break and they are all busy and immersed in their new topics and learning. From topics such as 'Memory Box' and 'Movers and Shakers' in KS1 to 'Rocks, Relics and Rumbles' and 'Hola Mexico!' in KS2, the classrooms are all a hive of enthusiasm.

**Read on for a round up of other events from this week...**

**Mr Chris Butler**  
Headteacher

### Jigsaw PSHE

Since launching our new PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economics) scheme in September, children at Girton Glebe have enjoyed developing their understanding of the topics "Being Me In My World" and "Celebrating Differences." Our new Jigsaw scheme teaches children emotional literacy, social and lifelong skills, healthy relationships and resilience in an age-appropriate manner, and pieces together our school's core values within a curriculum centred on personal, social, health and wellbeing education. This half-term's new Jigsaw theme is "Dreams and Goals". Within this topic, children across the school will look at their dreams and aspirations and how they can make these achievable, considering their personal steps for success and reflecting on their own progress and accomplishments inside and out of school. Jigsaw is proving really popular across the school, with teachers commenting that the new scheme is "thought-provoking, engaging and accessible to all".

Jigsaw lessons are taught every Thursday morning across the school, with each new topic being launched with a whole-school assembly in which children are introduced to the key themes and questions of the topic.

## Hello from Meg, our SENco

I am delighted to be stepping into the role as SENco for Girton Glebe this term alongside my SENco role at Impington Village College. It has been fantastic to meet the wonderful SEND team here and start getting to know all of the children and their teachers. As a previous teacher of SEND and experienced SENco I will be on hand to offer any support and advice to our families. I'm very happy to be joining such an inclusive and friendly primary school.

**Michelle Dama, Family Support Worker**

Just a reminder that we are very fortunate to have a Family Support Worker based at our school on Wednesday afternoons. Michelle aims to work in partnership with children, families, the schools and other professionals to ensure that those in need of additional support - whether that be as a family or as an individual - will benefit from a variety of services catered to meet their needs.

If you would like to discuss anything or would like to arrange a time to meet with Michelle please either contact the office, or contact Michelle directly:

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### House Points

House Points have been reset to zero for the start of our new term. This is how things stood at the end of Autumn Term. Congratulations to **Robinson**, who were the winning house from last term:

**Churchill** **736**

**Robinson** **853**

**Trinity** **680**

**Newnham** **693**



## Library Mural

Over the Christmas Holidays Kate Kelly, a local artist, started work on our library mural. Earlier in the year, there was a competition for our mural. After a hard competition, the chosen authors were Julia Donaldson, Cressida Cowell, Michael Morpurgo and Joseph Coelho. The first wall is complete and is looking fantastic! There have been many gasps and exclamations of, "Wow, the library looks great!" from both children and adults. We are all looking forward to seeing the completed project.

## Willow Class Assembly

This week, Willow Class got a chance to show off their Autumn term learning during their class assembly. It was great to see all their knowledge of ancient civilisations come to life in their original play, 'A Jump in Time', which saw four of our pupils travel back in time to witness some key moments in history, like the reign of Hatshepsut in ancient Egypt, and the discovery of King Tut! A huge well done for all members of Willow Class for working hard and putting on a great performance.

## Clubs

Below is a list of the clubs that are running this term and the dates that they start. Chess, Little Explorers, Cake Club and Art Club are all full. If you would like any more information on any of the clubs, then please contact the office.

### KS1 & KS2 Gymnastics

Monday 9th January

### KS1 Multi Sports

Tuesday 10th January

### KS1 & KS2 Taekwondo

Wednesday 11th January

### KS2 Girls Football

Thursday 12th January

### KS2 Triathlon Club

Monday 16th January

### KS1 & KS2 Intermediate Chess Club

Monday 16th January

### KS1 Art Club

Tuesday 17th January

### KS2 Running Club

Tuesday 17th January

### KS2 Art Club

Wednesday 18th January

### EYFS & KS1 Little Explorers

Wednesday 18th January

### KS2 Acro Dance

Thursday 19th January

### KS1 Cake Club

Thursday 19th January

### KS2 Street Dance

Friday 20th January

## FOGG Christmas Tree Shred

Thank you to all who supported the Christmas Tree Shred and Wheelie Bin Clean on Sunday 8th January. It was a beautiful sunny day which helped to ensure a good turnout. We raised a fantastic £327.58 for the school! We are very grateful to Acacia Tree Surgery and Wheelie Fresh Bins for their generous support.

**Our next fundraising event will be a School Disco on Thursday 9th February. This will be held in the school hall. Further details to follow!**

## Celebration Assembly

A huge well done goes out to everyone in school for working so hard and demonstrating our core values this week. Our focus this week has been our Core Value 'Respect'.

Well done to all of those celebrated in our assembly.

Maple  
**Ella and Rex**

Birch  
**Megan and Adeline**

Lime  
**Liam and Mariika**

Cherry  
**Michael and Megan**

Willow  
**Marcell and Cristina**

Oak  
**Izzy and Timothy**

## Upcoming dates

17th January  
**Young Voices at The O2**

2nd February  
**Maple Class Assembly**

9th February  
**School Disco**

13th – 17th February  
**Half term**

2nd March  
**World Book Day**

13th March  
**NHS Vision Screeners (Ash Class)**

27th March  
**Easter Assembly**

28th March 14:00 – 15:00  
**Year 3 and 4 Production**

28th March 15:40 – 17:30  
**Parents' Evening**

30th March 09:00 – 10:00  
**Year 3 and 4 Production**

30th March 15:40 – 19:00  
**Parents' Evening**

31st March  
**Last day of term**