

We have had a fantastic end to a brilliant and busy half term. The children continue to amaze us with their enthusiasm and kindness! I wish you all a very relaxing week of half term and I look forward to inviting you all back after half term.

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

Mr Chris Butler Headteacher

Plans for the pond

Now that our pond is back in place and looking great, we are keen to develop and build up the biodiversity of it. For this, we are looking for any 'donations' or experts for help with this! There are two main ways that you can help:

If you have any pond wildlife, or plants, which you could donate, these will help us to develop the pond further. To attract amphibians such as newts and frogs to the pond, non-invasive, narrow leaf pond plants will encourage newts and frogs to lay their eggs within the leaves.

Secondly, if you have any experience with building up a pond, or developing one, we would love to hear from you and make use of your expertise! We would be very keen to set up a gardening club, which can be at lunch time.

If you are interested – and able – to support in any of these matters, please speak to Mr Butler.

NSPCC Training for Parents

The below link offers a free 10-minute digital training from the NSPCC. The aim of it is to empower every adult to know what to do if a child needs help, how to speak up for children who need it and where to go if you need support yourself.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/listen-up-speak-up/

Street Dance Performance

On Saturday 4th February, our motivated Street Dancers performed at Energise '23 to a packed out audience of parents and family members. The children performed amazingly well! It was a long day for them and they behaved brilliantly and their performance was the best they have ever done it. They should be really proud of themselves and we must congratulate them: Mariia, Katie, Mia, Charlotte, Mariika and Sarah from Lime; Lois, Michael, Timothy and Thea from Cherry; and Freya, Chester, Tess, Izzy and Hadi from Oak. Although they weren't all able to perform on the day, they have all taken rehearsals very seriously and given 100% into it.

We must also thank our Street Dancer instructor, Jack, for making this possible and for working really hard with our Street Dancers!

Girton Glebe's Core Values

The results are in from the families of Girton Glebe's voice survey. It was exciting to see that Perseverance, Respect and Responsibility remain favourites among children and adults alike. Kindness has emerged as a very strong contender as a value to be added to our existing values, along with creativity, collaboration and aspiration.

These results will now be looked over carefully by leadership and Governors to settle on the final 5 that will become the school's new values.

House Points

House Points have been reset to zero for the start of our new term. Congratulations to **Robinson**, who were the winning house from last term:

Churchill 392

Robinson 403

Trinity 373

Newnham 355

FOGG Committee Class Reps 2022-23

Please see a list below of our FOGG Committee Class Reps:

Ash

Ayla Andrews

Maple

Victoria Reeves, Kate Collings

Birch

Victoria Willis, Francesca Peachey, Chelsey Wing

Lime

Jen Goodwin

Cherry

Kate Hawksworth

Willow

Angie Vidler, Mansi Shouche

Oak

Kate Sherwood, Georgie Dobbyne

If you are interested in becoming more involved with FOGG, we would be very happy to hear from you, at **contactfogg@gmail.com**

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 'Compassion'.

Well done to all of those celebrated in our assembly.

Ash

Reuben and Ethan

Maple

Audrey, William and Violet

Birch

Gavin and Thomas

Lime

Peter C and Finley

Cherry

Lennie and Noah

Willow

Tanmayee and Violet

Oak

Wilf and Freya

Upcoming dates

13th – 17th February **Half term**

24th February

Oak Class Cake sale

1st March 5pm

KS1 SATS meeting

2nd March

Birch virtual teaching session with The Polar Museum

2nd March

World Book Day

13th March

NHS Vision Screeners (Ash Class)

14th March

Birch trip to The Zoology Museum

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

31 March

Willow Class Cake Sale

31st March

FOGG Easter Event, including non-uniform day

31st March

Last day of term

We are recruiting!

This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic cook/caterer to join our kitchen as a valued member of our team, you will help us maintain and improve our food offer at Girton Glebe primary school.

Head over to tela.org.uk/vacancies to find out more and apply today!

