



What a busy week this week has been! From assessments to school trips and even a whole school talent show, the school has been full of energy and excitement this week. While the weather may have taken a turn, it hasn't dampened our spirits and we have been working hard and having lots of fun around school.

Today the school is particularly colourful, with lots of crazy hair and weird and wonderful outfits as we celebrate Red Nose Day; check out next week's newsletter for more information on what we've been doing to raise money and awareness for Comic Relief.

### Here's a round-up of this week's news...

**Mr Chris Butler**  
**Headteacher**

## Ash Class Reading Workshop

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April, from 3.30-4.30pm, Mr Holt and Miss Yarwood will be running a reading workshop for all Ash Class parents on understanding phonics and how to best support your child with reading at home. The workshop will begin with a recap of how our phonics scheme, Essential Letters and Sounds, works in the classroom before an opportunity for individual discussions about your child's progress and any support they may need.

The first half of this workshop will run at the same time as our weekly Open Library. If you would like for your child to attend Open Library while you participate in the workshop, please let Miss Yarwood know so that we know how many children to expect. Children will then be returned to Ash Class at 4pm for the Q&A session.

**We looking forward to welcoming you to this reading workshop.**

**Miss Yarwood & Mr Holt**

## Open Library – Come and Join Us!

Love reading? Join us in our school library each Thursday from 3.30 – 4.00pm to read with your child, borrow books to take home and meet different teachers from around the school each week. Staff are always on hand to help or to answer any reading-related questions you may have at these sessions. We love to see our regular children and parents there each week and would love to meet more of you and spread the joy of reading. Please feel free to drop in and stay for as little or long as you'd like!

## Volunteers Wanted!

Do you have a passion for Chess and want to inspire the next generation of budding chess players?

Would you be interested in running an afterschool or lunchtime chess club at Girton Glebe? Our Chess Club is already well established with lots of enthusiastic players but unfortunately our current club leader can no longer run the club from the Summer Term. We are therefore seeking a new volunteer to continue this club.

**If you know anyone that may be interested, please contact the school office for more information by emailing [office@gg.tela.org.uk](mailto:office@gg.tela.org.uk). Thank you!**

## House Points

This week's winning House of The Week is **Robinson**! The breakdown of House Points for this week is as follows:

<b>Robinson</b>	<b>109</b>
<b>Trinity</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>Newnham</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Churchill</b>	<b>70</b>

## Birch Trip to Zoology Museum

On Tuesday, Year 2 visited the Museum of Zoology as part of their Movers and Shakers project about historically significant people who have had a major impact on the world. Birch class paid a visit to this exciting museum to look in particular at Charles Darwin and his 5-year-long voyage on board the HMS Beagle. The Cambridge Museum of Zoology has lots of fascinating artefacts from his trip and the children all enjoyed identifying the different creatures and animals that Darwin wrote about following his trip.

The class left school early in the morning and enjoyed a trip on the public bus, before walking through a rather rainy Cambridge and exploring all of the different species on display at the museum. The children showed great enthusiasm and interest and such wonderful maturity while independently exploring the animals and skeletons on display. They particularly liked the whales and the loggerhead sea turtle was a firm favourite amongst Miss Jolly's group! Celia said this was "the best day ever ever!".

Well done Birch Class and a huge thank you to all of the parent volunteers that helped with this trip. Look out for more trip news in next week's newsletter.



## Great Big School Clean 2023

This year, we are joining The Great Big School Clean 2023 and pledging to pick up as many binbags full of rubbish as we can! From now until 2nd April, each class will be pledging time to get our hands dirty and clean up our village. Here's why...

At Keep Britain Tidy, we believe that no one is too small to make a big difference, and when we all come together, that big difference becomes a huge one! This year the message is simple: join our #BigBagChallenge by picking up one bag – or more – to clean up your local area and help to Keep Britain Tidy!"

Look out for updates on our Instagram and Twitter and you can even get involved at home, too! If you and your family want to help, simply get out and about with bin bags, a litter picker or some gloves and see how much rubbish you can collect! Use the Litter Bingo attached to this week's newsletter to see how much rubbish you can find and clean up off the streets of Girton, or anywhere in the country if you're going away for the weekend! If you're joining in, please let us know so we can celebrate your success – any photos can be shared with Miss Jolly via Class Dojo.



**NO ONE IS TOO SMALL TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE**

**Join the Great Big School Clean**  
**17 March – 2 April 2023**  
Pledge to pick up a bag at [keepbritaintidy.org](https://keepbritaintidy.org)  
#GBSchoolClean



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## THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN 17 MARCH - 2 APRIL 2023

Join **Keep Britain Tidy** this Spring, as the **Great British Spring Clean** returns for its eighth year.

This year, we're calling on people across the country to join us, and take action to make the neighbourhoods, parks, and open spaces around us places to be proud of.

Last year, **#LitterHeroes** from around the country pulled on their gloves, grabbed their litter-pickers, and pledged to join our **#BigBagChallenge**. Together, we removed almost half a million bags of rubbish from the environment.

When we all join forces and take the same action at the same time, the difference we can make is huge. That's a difference to our planet, to the wildlife we share it with, to our communities, and to our own health and wellbeing.

Go to [keepbritaintidy.org](https://keepbritaintidy.org) and make your pledge.

### BENEFITS OF GETTING INVOLVED

**85%**

of participants felt more pride in their local area after getting involved.

**74%**

of participants agreed that taking part helped to improve their mood.

**76%**

of participants felt empowered to make a change for good.



# We are recruiting!

We require a Teaching Assistant to work with students as part of our Special Needs Team under the direction of the SENCO. As a school, we are innovative in realising the potential of all our students and we offer an excellent, supportive environment in which to work.

**Head over to [tela.org.uk/vacancies](https://tela.org.uk/vacancies) to find out more and apply today!**



**Girton Glebe**  
Primary School

## Celebration Assembly

A colossal well done to everyone in school for working so hard and demonstrating our core values this week. Our focus this week has been 'Excellence'.

Well done to all of those celebrated in our assembly. This week's certificate winners are:

Ash  
**Amelia & Aveline**

Maple  
**Sakura & Damien**

Birch  
**Theo & Megan**

Lime  
**Charlotte & Marifé**

Cherry  
**Dorothy & Zachary**

Willow  
**Flo & Livia**

Oak  
**Hadi & Ersan**

## Upcoming dates

21st March  
**Year 6 Tag Rugby Tournament**

27th March  
**Easter Assembly**

28th March 13.30 – 15:00  
**Year 3 and 4 Production**

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

30th March 09:15 – 10:45  
**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**

17th April  
**Summer Term starts**

20th April 15.30 – 16.30  
**Ash Class Reading Workshop**

21st April  
**Lime Class Cake Sale**

22nd April  
**FOGG Spring Jumble Sale**

# Let's play litter bingo!

As part of the Great British Spring Clean, we're asking you to collect and safely dispose of as much litter as possible.

Go to [keepbritaintidy.org](https://www.KeepBritainTidy.org) and tell us how many bags of litter you pledge to pick up during our #BigBagChallenge



**CRISP PACKETS**

How many  
did you find?



**PPE**  
(facemask)

How many  
did you find?



**PPE**  
(gloves)

How many  
did you find?



**PLASTIC BOTTLES**

How many  
did you find?



**CIGARETTE BUTTS**

How many  
did you find?



**CARRIER BAGS**

How many  
did you find?



**ALUMINIUM CANS**

How many  
did you find?



**FAST FOOD LITTER**

How many  
did you find?



**SWEET/CHOCOLATE  
WRAPPERS**

How many  
did you find?

**TOTAL PIECES OF LITTER I COLLECTED**

**NUMBER OF BAGS OF LITTER I PLEDGE  
TO PICK UP FOR MY #BIGBAGCHALLENGE**



NAME:

**#GBSpringClean**

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