

It's been another marvellous week at Girton Glebe! I have enjoyed drinking lots of hot chocolates with all of the children who have earned 100 House Points and watching the Year 3 and 4 performance of Peter Pan The Musical come together. Our debut Spring production takes to the stage next Tuesday and Thursday and we are looking forward to welcoming lots of families in for this fantastic show. The children have been working incredibly hard perfecting their singing, dancing and acting and can't wait to show you the finished product!

Don't forget we also have in person parents' evenings next Tuesday and Thursday, too.

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

Mr Chris Butler Headteacher

#### **Author of The Month**

As we near the end of March, we are looking for our next Author of The Month to display in our school library! April & May's nomination will be chosen by a Girton Glebe pupil. If your child has an author in mind that they would like to recommend for other children to read, please get in touch with Miss Jolly either in school or via Class Dojo. The next Author of The Month will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Due to much of April being in the school holidays, the next chosen author will stand for both April & May.

#### **House Points**

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

Robinson 103

Trinity 98

Newnham 98

Churchill 89

# **Oak Class Tag Rugby Tournament**

On Tuesday, Year 6 attended a local Tag Rugby Tournament at Shelford Rugby Club. This exciting sports trip saw all of Year 6 participating in 6 matches against other schools from the local area. While it was a tiring morning, the children had lots of fun and did Girton Glebe proud, winning two Spirit of The Games awards for fairness, kindness and perseverance throughout the tournament; well done to Chester and Samuel for winning these awards and to all of Year 6 for the maturity and resilience they showed throughout the tournament! Thank you to the South Cambridge School Sports Partnership for hosting such a great event. We are looking forward to more sporting events like this one in the Summer term!

## **Celebration Assembly**

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

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

Ash **Felix & Frankie** 

Maple
Jen Nah & Lewis

Birch **Guy & Eilidh** 

Lime **Katie & Teddy** 

Cherry **Gael & Kerrigan** 

Willow **Paloma & McKinley** 

Oak **Henry & Tess** 

## #BigBagChallenge

Well done to Marcell in Willow Class and Jayden in Birch Class for getting out into the local community and litter picking as part of our Keep Britain Tidy challenge! Both boys have been tidying up around Girton this week and have already collected three 3 bin bags worth of litter each!

This challenge runs until 17th April so keep up the hard work to improve our local area! We will continue to do our bit within school time and will share updates and photos on social media soon.

#### **Willow Class - Easter Cracked!**

On Tuesday, Willow had the pleasure of visiting the Baptist Church again, this time for Easter Cracked. The children had a wonderful time learning all about the Easter story, making beautiful Easter Gardens and even watching a demonstration of a baptism in the church's pool! A huge thank you to the Baptist Church for arranging this for us and for welcoming us once again into your church. To everyone in the community: keep an eye out for our Easter Gardens as they'll be displayed around the village to spread a little joy this Easter!



## **Ash Class Trip to Church Farm**

Last Thursday, Ash Class embarked on their first ever school trip, to Church Farm! This was part of their Amazing Animals and Glorious Growing topic and gave the children the opportunity to embed their classroom learning with a hands-on experience.

During this exciting trip, the children had the opportunity to feed the lambs from bottles and even enjoyed a tractor ride around the farm. Ash Class learnt about different farm animals and saw them all first-hand, learning about what they eat and how they grow. Then, to end a fantastic day, the children had fun playing on the adventure playground at the farm. Well done for such a fantastic first school trip, Ash Class, and a big thank you to our parent helpers for accompanying the children!





## **Red Nose Day**

On Friday 17th March, the whole school celebrated Red Nose Day in awful style! The theme was "What Not To Wear" and "Crazy Hair" and the children and staff outdid themselves with weird and wacky outfits and some truly bonkers hairs styles. From flippers to bananas, wigs to morph suits, and even some underwear on children's heads, the school was looking crazier than ever as we celebrated the power of coming together to help those less fortunate than ourselves. The worst dressed pupils in each class received a prize for their fabulous outfits. Here are the winners:

Ash - Iona

Maple - Griffin

Birch - Guy

Lime - Marifé

Cherry - Amelia

Willow - Rowena

Oak - Samuel

As well as dressing up, we also hosted a whole-school talent show in which each class voted for one act to represent them in front of the entire school. We all had lots of fun watching the dancing, singing, beatboxing, joke-telling and piano playing on display and all of the children who performed should be incredibly proud of their talents and courage. A big well done to our fabulous hosts, John and Samuel, too!

All of this was not only wonderfully entertaining but also raised over £180 for Comic **Relief! Thank you** to everyone that dressed up. auditioned for our talent show, and donated money; this is all for a great cause! **Look out for information** on our next school event. FOGG's Easter Event.



#### **Tremendous Tae Kwon Do!**

Our afterschool Tae Kwon Do club have been working incredibly hard with their instructor, Mark, over the last few weeks and many of the club have now earned their next belts. A huge well done to everyone in Tae Kwon Do club who took part in their grading this term. This is one of our most popular clubs and it's great to see that the children's hard work is paying off!

- A big well done this week to Nico, Eddie and Lev for earning their yellow stripes.
- An even bigger well done to Liam, Timothy C, Jacob G, Alex, Peter S and James for earning their yellow belts.
- And the biggest well done to Charlie W for earning his green stripe!

Mark would like to praise every one of you in the club for doing so well. There will be more pupils ready to take part in their grading by the end of Summer Term, too!

At Girton Glebe, we love to celebrate all of your successes, sporting or otherwise. If your child or their team has an achievement they would like to share on our weekly newsletter or in celebration assembly, please contact Miss Jolly via Class Dojo.

## **FOGG** update

# The FOGG Committee have been busy fundraising for the school and we wanted to share an update.

We started 2023 with the annual Christmas Tree Shred in January which raised £333. In February, we had the school disco, which was very well attended and made a profit of £347. It was brilliant to see so many children having a great time! Thank you to all who volunteered to help. As it was so popular, we have decided to have another disco, on Thursday 25th May.

There have also been monthly cake sales. This year, it was agreed with Mr Butler that the proceeds from the cake sales would be put towards a class trip for each class. Willow is the next class to host. Their cake sale will be on the last day of this term, Friday 31st March. On 31st March, FOGG are also holding an Easter Event. This day is a non-uniform day, and there will be a trail for each class to complete during the school day. As a reward, each child will receive a chocolate treat. There is a suggested donation of £1.

Shortly after the Easter break, there will be the Spring Jumble Sale on Saturday 22nd April. Donations can be left outside the front of school from Monday 17th.

Following on from the success of the children's disco, FOGG are planning an Evening of Live Music, featuring a local band, on Friday 19th May, in the school hall. Further details to follow!

FOGG will also be supporting the school's King's Coronation Celebrations by paying for the children to have an ice-cream or ice lolly as part of the school's Street Part celebrations, as they did for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations last year.

So far this year we have spent money on the refurbishing of the pond. We have also paid for 30 Ukeleles (from the Music Legacy Fund, see 3rd Feb newsletter for details) and the Sensory Garden (see 24th Feb newsletter).

If you are interested in getting involved with FOGG or for more information on any of the above, please email **contactfogg@gmail. com**.

# **Upcoming dates**

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** 

17th April **Summer Term starts** 

20th April 15.30 – 16.00 **Ash Class Reading Workshop** 

21st April **Lime Class Cake Sale** 

22nd April **FOGG Spring Jumble Sale**