



Can you believe we have reached the end of our final full week of this academic year? I'd like to take this opportunity to reflect on what a wonderful year my first full year at Girton Glebe has been: from the success of our first ever Year 3 & 4 production, to the pride we felt as a community to receive our 'Good' Ofsted rating and experiencing my first full Sports Day with so many family members and friends of Girton Glebe joining us to celebrate in school, we have so much to celebrate as a school.

As we wrap up this year, I'd like to say a big well done for such a positive year to all staff members, pupils and volunteers and thank you to our parent community for all of your ongoing support. I'm looking forward to continuing to make progress as a school as we embark on our journey towards achieving the International Baccalaureate accreditation and can't wait to welcome you all back to school in September.

I'd like to wish all of our families a wonderful summer and to wish Year 6 the very best of luck as they leave Girton Glebe. Here's a round up of end of year news...

Mr Chris Butler
Headteacher

Changing Staff

As one school year comes to an end and we look ahead to next academic year, we would like to wish **Karrie Childs** and **Leah Patel** well in their new endeavours as they leave Girton Glebe. Thank you for all of your hard work with us this year!

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish **Laura Fitch** the very best as she begins her maternity leave; we look forward to welcoming Laura back as our SENDCo next year!

We are also excited to welcome lots of new and familiar faces to Girton Glebe from September. We're sure you'll join us in welcoming on board new teachers **Lydia Burnett** and **Tom Warren**, as well as new teaching assistants **Chiamaka Nkem-Paul** and **Diane Swain**.

New School Logo

We are very pleased to be able to announce the arrival of a new school logo this September! The new logo has been designed to be more representative of our village identity and has been inspired by the village sign and the goose motif which is common around the village, including the stunning mural adjacent to St Andrews church. As many of you know, the image of the geese is significant as geese were historically kept at the wash pit and provided quills for the Cambridge colleges. The image of the flower now used for our Houses is based on the corn marigolds which were once prevalent in Girton.



Although our signage and website will be adopting the new logo from September, we are mindful how a change of logo can have a financial impact on the community. There will be no expectation for all child owned property, namely uniform and reading bags, to have the new logo on immediately. All new purchased items will have the new logo on and both logos will co-exist on uniforms for the foreseeable future, as we transition to the new logo.

The new logo, alongside our journey towards adopting the International Baccalaureate, is further indicative of the exciting juncture we are at as a school community.

House Points

Our house points have been collected and counted for the final time this year. Here's how the leader board looks this week:





Goodbye Oak Class!

Next week, we will say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 Class as they embark on exciting new journeys at Impington Village College, Chesterton Community College and Trumpington Community College.

To all of Year 6: you have achieved great things in your time at Girton Glebe, been brilliant role models to your Ash Class buddies, and made us all very proud of you with your recent SATs results and your fabulous end of year production of *The Lion King*. We wish each and every one of you the very best of luck and will miss you all at school!

Baby News!

Miss Yarwood is pleased to announce the safe arrival of her son Reuben, who was born on the 1st July weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Everyone is doing great and baby Reuben is settling in well. Congratulations, Rachael!

Celebration Assembly

This week, we have celebrated all of our school values, with lots of children earning certificates in our final Celebration Assembly of the year! Well done to all pupils on a fantastic year, and a special mention to this week's certificate winners:

<p>Ash Maple Birch</p> <p>Lime Cherry Willow Oak</p>	<p>All of Ash Class! Griffin, Sophia & Thomas Caleb, Jacob, Jayden, Kylie, Luca & Thomas B Dominik, Harriet & Ted Ashley, Mia & Olesia Francesco & Jasmine Ersan, Henry & Max</p>
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Final Family Swim Session

Sign up below for our Saturday Swim Sessions in our newly-refurbished school pool!

Saturday 15th July 2023

11am **Book now!**
12pm **Book now!**

- Operated by *elaactive*
- A family friendly swim session with qualified RLSS Lifeguards.
- Tickets must be purchased online in advance.
- Come "swim-ready", no changing, shower or toilet facilities are available.
- Pool rules apply: strictly no diving; jumping is permitted from the deep end only
- Water toys and floats are welcome – no fins, snorkels/masks that cover the nose or rubber rings, please
- All children aged 7 or below must be accompanied into the pool by an adult

An Update from FOGG

The past school year has been busy for FOGG. We've had 2 jumble sales, 8 cake and second-hand uniform sales, the Christmas Fair, an Easter trail, a Christmas Tree shred and our recent stall and raffle at Girton Feast. This year has also seen the reintroduction of school discos and Break The Rules Day. These events all help to raise funds to support the school, and as per our remit 'to enhance the education' of the children.

Thank you for supporting these events. FOGG has spent money this year on renovating the pond area (with additional Co-op funding), enhancing the sensory equipment on offer and creating the sensory garden, contributing to the Year 6 residential as well as supporting all class trips. We have also purchased games, puzzles, a table easel and outdoor toys for Ash Class, as well as 30 ukuleles for the whole school to use in their music lessons. We've also helped at events such as setting up the whole-school picnic and funding the ice-cream van to mark the coronation.

Money raised at the school performances is ring-fenced to be spent on drama & performing arts events and this year FOGG has funded the Y6/5 production of the Lion King.

We really hope you and your children have enjoyed the events that we have put on this year. We would like to hear more from you about what events you have enjoyed and what you might like to see more of – please feel free to get in touch!

We would especially like to thank the school staff and the parents who helped us put on these events - without you they are just not possible.

If you would like more information about FOGG activities, please email us at contactfogg@gmail.com. Our AGM afterschool will be held afterschool on **15th September**. Please join us to learn more about FOGG and our roles.



Upcoming dates

19th July
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9.00am)

19th July
Year 6 Leavers' Party (3.00pm)

19th July
Last Day of Summer Term

NEW ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINS

4th & 5th September
Inset Days for Staff

6th September
Autumn Term Starts

15th September
FOGG AGM



We wish each and every one of you the very best of luck and will miss you all at school!



**Girton Glebe
Primary School**