



Welcome to Spring! It's been a week full of visitors & performances, from folk bands to IVC performers and it has been great to see our children so inspired by these performances and what you can achieve with practice and determination.



We also welcomed many parents into school for our termly parents' evening, where teachers were proud to share pupils' work and progress and this term, for the first time with our new assessment system, our data from assessment week. Thank you to parents who attended these meetings, and for your positive feedback about the sharing of academic data profiles.

Read on for a round-up of news from around the school this week...

# **Chris Butler Headteacher**

# Celebration Assembly

Well done to all of the children below who earned a certificate in this week's celebration assembly!

**Ash -** Charlie & Felicity **Maple -** Amelia & Blessing **Birch -** Jude & Violet

**Lime -** Eilidh & Guy **Cherry -** Emaya & Peter **Willow -** Kikki & Selim **Oak -** Phoebe & Valerie

A huge well done to Dorothy in Year 5, too, who has earned her Grade 5 in Cello. Dorothy was celebrated in last week's assembly and proudly told the school she earned a distinction too! **Super** work, **Dorothy!** 

#### Pirates of The Curry Bean – Sneak Peek

This week, the whole school enjoyed watching the dress rehearsal of Year 3 & 4's magical production of Pirates of The Curry Bean. Join us at sea on Tuesday 26th March (2pm) and Thursday 28th March (9:30am) as Lime & Cherry Class take you on a ship-tacular adventure to chase that rainbow and find your pot of gold!

With buckets of laughter and barrels of musical fun, Year 3 & 4 will transform the school hall into an underwater wonderland as young twins Jack & Liza Periwinkle yearn for adventure; imagine their joy at discovering a real-life treasure map! But when the infamous Redbeard and his pungent Pirates of the Curry Bean steal the map and kidnap their mother, the race is on to rescue her, reclaim the map and find the treasure! Accompanied by their faithful cat Fiddlesticks, the twins join a mad admiral and his crazy crew on a voyage of adventure that takes them from Old London Docks to the mysterious island of Lumbago in the sea of Sciatica! Will they be first to find the treasure chest, or is a surprise awaiting them that's even better than gold? With colourful characters, sparkling

> songs and a witty script as sharp as a cutlass, this show is dripping with piratical style!

> > Sea you there! We are shore you'll enjoy it!





#### **Marvellous Megson!**

On Tuesday, the whole school were treated to a wonderful performance from professional folk duo, Megson! Since learning the violin in school, and subsequently teaching themselves to play other instruments, band members Stu and Debbie have been playing together for over 20 years and enjoy "spreading the word of folk music" and "telling stories through their songs."



The children listened as they played the guitar, banjo, octave mandola, accordion and stomp box and enjoyed joining in with various historical songs and sea shanties. We even wrote our own sea shanty about all of things we would miss if out at sea (namely chocolate, strawberries and hamburgers!).

This uplifting sing-along session was a great break from our classrooms and an inspiration for all of our musicians at GG. Thank you to Mrs Knowler and FOGG for organising this inspiring assembly for us.

### **IVC** performance

We were also joined on Tuesday by talented performers from Year 13 at IIC Performance School. Mr Griffin (who teaches Performing Arts to Year 6 as part of our IVC transition program), brought a confident and inspiring group of students to perform custom-written short plays for Oak Class, designed to entertain and encourage pupils to follow their dreams. The IVC actors performed two short pieces - one about dreams and ambitions and the other an interactive murder mystery with an entertaining "mop dog" character, who the children couldn't stop talking about!

Thank you so much for the personalisation that went into these performances and the effort to engage our pupils. We loved having you here at Girton and you have definitely inspired Year 6 to pursue their dreams and "rewrite the stars"!

## Red Nose Day – A HUGE Thank you!

An enormous thank you and well done for all of your **Red Nose Day** donations last week! We raised a whopping **£314.12** from cash donations and those made online. Children looked wonderful dressed in red and all had a great day!







#### **IB Update**



Following on from our IB Drop-In session on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, we will be hosting two identical IB parent sessions in the Summer Term. These will be a chance for you to come into school and find out more about the PYP and how it will look at Girton. The sessions will be led by Jo Sale, our Trust IB Lead, who will be able to answer any questions you may have.

The dates and times of the sessions are below. We also aim to record the presentations so anyone who is unable to attend a session won't miss out.

Session 1: Tue 7<sup>th</sup> May 3:30pm- 4:00pm Session 2: Fri 10<sup>th</sup> May 8:30am - 9:00am

More information will be sent out soon allowing you to book onto either of the sessions; as these will be identical, you only need to attend one.

Look forward to seeing lots of you there!

# **NETBALL – Winners Again!**

On Tuesday, Miss Tweddle led her Year 5&6 netball team to victory once again at a local schools' tournament at IVC. The team played wonderfully together, commenting that "we have faith in each of our teammates" and have subsequently qualified to the next round in April.

This victory adds to our impressive string of undefeated sporting events; Girton Glebe are incredibly proud to announce that we have won every sporting competition we have entered so far this academic year!

A huge well done to Thea, Alicia, Clara, Livia, Zara, Marcell, Theo, Mark & Felix for representing the school so well and for such a fantastic achievement!





#### **House Points**

Well done to **Green House** who are this week's House of The Week!















# **Upcoming Dates**

**25<sup>th</sup> March** Easter Assembly

**26<sup>th</sup> March, 14:00** Year 3&4 Production

**26<sup>th</sup> March, 15:30** Year 5 Norfolk Lakes Information Session

**27<sup>th</sup> March, 09.00** School Choir Performance

**27<sup>th</sup> March** Year 5 Easter Cracked @ Girton Baptist Church

28<sup>th</sup> March, 09:00 Year 3&4 Production

**28<sup>th</sup> March** FOGG Break The Rules Day

**28<sup>th</sup> March** Cherry Class Cake Sale

**28<sup>th</sup> March** Last Day of Term

