



Girton Glebe Primary School

Newsletter



17th January 2025



Welcome back and Happy New Year!

It has been great to welcome everyone back to school and we have had a positive start to the Spring Term.

Classes have begun delving into our new inquiry topic, **How We Express Ourselves**, with Central Ideas such as **Stories Can Be Told In Many Ways**, **Imagination Can Lead To Innovation** and **People From The Past Influence Our Thoughts And Beliefs**.



As is common at this time of year, lots of winter sniffles and bugs are making their way around the school. A reminder of our attendance policy can be found [here](#).

Read on for a round-up of this fortnight's news from around school...

Chris Butler
Headteacher



Lost Fleece!

Gertie The Girton Goose has lost her fleece (and with it, her wings!). After lots of outfit changes in the Autumn term for Children in Need and Christmas, Gertie's school uniform has been misplaced.

Please keep an eye out around school and pass this back to Mr Butler if found.

Pupils (and parents!) are always welcome to design and create new outfits for Gertie which she will proudly display in our Celebration Assemblies. Perhaps these could be inspired by your latest projects in class, upcoming events or festivals, or by our school colours and values.



Well-being Wednesday: The Return of Oddey!



This week, we were treated to more dance workshops by returning visitor, Oddey, who joined us last academic year as part of our Black History Month celebrations.

This year, Oddey returned to continue our work on promoting physical and mental well-being, as we took part in fun, energetic dance workshops to give our brains a break and get our bodies moving! This fitted excellently with our Transdisciplinary Theme of "How We Express Ourselves" and children from around school embraced the opportunity to express themselves through the medium of dance.

A huge thank you to FOGG for funding this exciting and essential activity!





This half term, we have started our new units of inquiry on the theme of 'How We Express Ourselves'.



We launched this new theme with a whole school assembly last week, looking at the different ways that people express themselves: writing, drawing, dancing, playing sport, playing a musical instrument.

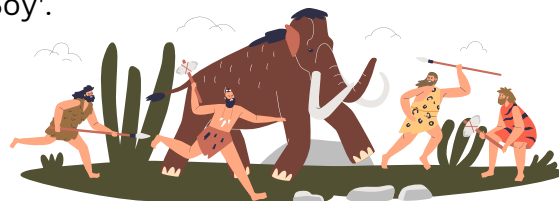
We talked about the importance of expressing ourselves and how this supports our mental well-being and can make us all feel better and more positive about ourselves.

In class, children and staff have started their new units around this theme with enthusiasm and are focusing on the different ways people express themselves across the globe, exploring the concept through History, Geography, RE and PSHE lessons.

Lime Class Assembly!

On Thursday 9th January, Lime class shared their amazing (postponed) class assembly with the rest of the school, parents and carers.

This engaging assembly took everyone on a journey through the Stone Age and shared lots of learning that had taken place last term, including narrative writing by the children based on the book 'A Stone Age Boy'.



The children also shared a musical performance which was palindromic and involved the children keeping in time with a beat, playing as an ensemble and learning a percussion technique. One of our favourite songs, Living In The Stone Age, was also beautifully performed.

Despite a technical hitch, the changed date and performing so quickly after coming back from the Christmas break, the children showed great resilience and shared their learning wonderfully. Well done Lime Class! Keep working hard this half term!

Click [here](#) to see our full range of menus for this half-term.

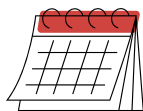


Girton Glebe Weekly Menu W/C 20th Jan 10th Feb 10th Mar 31st Mar.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meat Main Course	Chicken Burger served with Potato Wedges & Baked Beans	Chicken Korma Curry served with Rice & Naan Bread	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Tomato, Sausage & Sweet Corn Pasta served with Garlic Bread	Battered Fish served with Chips, Peas or Baked Beans
Vegetarian (V)	Quorn Burger served with Potato Wedges & Baked Beans (V)	Quorn Korma Curry served with Rice & Naan Bread (V)	Quorn Fillet served with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (V)	Macaroni Cheese served with Garlic Bread (V)	Vegetarian Nuggets served with Chips, Peas or Baked Beans (V)
Vegetables & Salad	Daily selection of Salad or Vegetables served with main meals to include; Peas, Carrots, Green Beans & Sweetcorn				
Pasta & Jackets	Pasta served with a variety of toppings.	Jacket potato served with a variety of toppings.	Pasta served with a variety of toppings.	Jacket potato served with a variety of toppings.	Pasta served with a variety of toppings.
Dessert of the Day	A daily selection of desserts to be chosen on the day.				

Vegan options available daily.





Upcoming Dates

24th Jan

FOGG Ceilidh

30th Jan

Cherry Class Assembly

30th Jan, 4.30-5.30pm

EYFS & Y1 Phonics Presentation

5th Feb

Young Voices



13th Feb

Willow Class Assembly

14th Feb

Last Day of Spring 1 Half-Term

24th Feb

First Day of Spring 2 Half-Term



Celebration Assembly

Well done to all of the pupils who earned a Celebration Certificate this week and last week. We always love to celebrate achievements chosen by our pupils, from in and out of school!



Last week's certificate winners were:

Ash: Alastair & Ted

Maple: All of Maple Class

Birch: Orla & Reuben

Lime: Alexander & Nilesh

Cherry: Arthur & Mia

Willow: Peter & Marife

Oak: Laurie & Lois



This week's certificate winners are:

Ash: Amelia & Immy

Maple: Margot & Teddy

Birch: Frankie & Jensen

Lime: Luca & Lucy

Cherry: Ece & Guy

Willow: Dash & Harriet

Oak: Dorothy & Theo



We also celebrated Arthur for his fantastic swimming achievement outside of school. Arthur swam 1000m in 30 minutes - well done!

Alexander & William have also recently earned their red belts in Judo; an impressive achievement. Congratulations!





House Points

Congratulations to this week's House of The Fortnight: **BLUE HOUSE**



Here are this fortnight's totals:



341



295



292



260

