



Girton Glebe Primary School

# Newsletter



10th October 2025



What a wonderfully busy and uplifting few weeks it's been! The corridors have been buzzing with energy – from our usual joyful learning and classroom discoveries to the many visitors we've had through our doors. It's been lovely welcoming external guests, as well as both current and prospective parents, and seeing everyone experience the vibrant atmosphere that makes this such a special place to learn and grow.



There's been such a positive buzz around the school – full of smiles, curiosity, and a real sense of community. Thank you to everyone who's been part of it, whether by visiting, volunteering, or simply cheering us on from home!

Our next newsletter will be sent out on Wednesday 22nd October 2025, just in time for the start of half-term. I look forward to sharing even more highlights then – but for now, I hope you enjoy this issue and all the wonderful moments it captures from the past few weeks.

**Chris Butler**  
Headteacher



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## Food Recycling Workshop

Last week, all of Key Stage 2 took part in a fantastic day of food waste and recycling workshops, delivered by the visiting waste education team. Throughout the day, pupils took part in hands-on sessions exploring how we can all reduce waste, recycle more effectively, and make more sustainable choices.



Each class experienced two engaging workshops – one focused on food waste, where children learned about cooking with minimal waste, and another on recycling, helping them understand what really happens to our rubbish and how small actions can make a big difference.

The sessions were interactive, informative, and lots of fun! The children showed great enthusiasm and curiosity, asking brilliant questions and sharing their own ideas about helping the planet.

A huge thank you to the visiting team for providing such an inspiring day – and to our staff and volunteers for supporting the sessions. Everyone had a great time and came away with plenty of ideas for reducing waste at home and in school!





## Y5 Residential



Two weeks ago, Willow Class set off on an unforgettable residential adventure to the Inside Out Education Bushcraft Woodlands in Norfolk – and what an incredible few days it turned out to be! From the moment they arrived, the children threw themselves into every challenge with enthusiasm, teamwork, and a fantastic sense of adventure.



The trip was packed with exciting outdoor activities designed to build confidence, resilience, and cooperation. Pupils tackled a thrilling assault course, learned the art of fire making and tool crafting, tried their hand at outdoor cooking, and even experienced the thrill of sleeping under the stars. Throughout it all, the children showed amazing determination, kindness, and courage – supporting one another and embracing every new experience.

Trips like this are such a valuable part of learning – helping children develop independence, problem-solving skills, and a deep appreciation for the natural world. The laughter, muddy boots, and beaming smiles said it all!

A huge thank you goes to all the Inside Out Ed Bushcraft staff for their expertise and warmth, and to our own school staff team for giving their time, care, and energy to make this trip such a memorable success. Well done, Willow Class – you were amazing adventurers!



## SEND Coffee Morning



Our next SEND coffee morning will be on Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 10-11. All parents are invited to attend this session. Zoe Shuler, our link SEND specialist teacher will be running a workshop called ‘ Understanding and supporting your child’s sensory needs’. During the workshop she will talk about sensory processing and sensory differences and offer practical strategies for you to support your child’s sensory needs at home. This can also be useful for parents who feel that their child may demonstrate masking behaviour at school. Following the session, there will be a chance for an informal chat and a tea/ coffee. If you wish to attend please complete the form so that we have an idea of numbers:

<https://forms.office.com/e/Pr9UH5WT4q>





## Team Challenge Event

The very first South Cambridgeshire School Sports Partnership inter-school event of the 2025/26 year took place on Thursday 2nd October, and what a brilliant afternoon it was!



Ten children across year 3 and 4 represented the school with fantastic energy and enthusiasm, joining 160 children from 16 different schools to take part in five exciting team challenges. The event was brilliantly supported by 48 Sports Leaders from Comberton Village College, who encouraged and guided the teams throughout the afternoon.

A huge well done to Gibson, Amelia, Mika, Nim, Lydia, Freddie, Violet, Claudia, Iona, and Felix for showing such amazing teamwork, determination, and positivity. There were smiles all round as they worked together and gave each activity their all – a fantastic start to the sporting year!

A big thank you also goes to Mr Gunyon and Mrs Collison for accompanying the children and supporting them throughout the event.



## KS1 Drop-Off Time Survey

Thank you for your support with our recent trial to move the KS1 and EYFS collection time to 3:15pm. We'd really appreciate your feedback on how this change has worked for you and your family. Please take a moment to complete our short survey using the link below:



<https://forms.office.com/e/UV3fCqPCHB>

Your comments will help us review the trial and make an informed decision moving forward. Thank you again for your continued support and partnership.

## Happy News Parent Competition

The Happy Newspaper celebrates all that's good in the world; a platform to share positive news and wonderful people. They are inviting contributions – and here's the exciting part: this is a challenge for parents, not the children!



HappyNews is asking for contributors to share happy news in a creative way to celebrate your children. This could be through a poem, a piece of artwork, or any other creative format you like. If you would like to submit something, you can send your pieces here:

[Happy News Submission](#)

We also encourage families to check out HappyNews as a fun and positive reading material to have around the house – and don't forget, we have copies available in the school library for you to enjoy!



## Travelling by Tuba

What an extraordinary day of music-making we had! Our pupils were treated to an unforgettable performance and workshops from the talented duo Stewart and Chris, who took everyone on a musical journey “Around the World in 60 Minutes – The Sequel.”

The performance began in Rio de Janeiro with a vibrant South American Samba Band, before travelling across continents to experience the sounds of an Aboriginal Didgeridoo, a Bavarian Gems Horn, a Zulu Warrior’s Kudu Horn, and even a Cimbasso from early Italian opera. The journey continued through the Far East, featuring a stunning Tibetan Dung encrusted with jewels, and across the Atlantic to New Orleans, where the swingin’ Sousaphone stole the show. With a Can-Can dancing tubist, an exploding Tuba, and an intergalactic finale, the performance was full of laughter, amazement, and awe!

Following the show, children took part in hands-on music workshops, exploring a variety of global rhythms and instruments – from Brazilian Samba and Mexican Salsa to New Orleans Jazz, Spanish Tango, and even Hand Chimes. Every child had the chance to play an instrument and experience how music is rehearsed and brought to life.

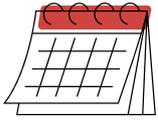
### FOGG dates for your diary...

- **Jumble Sale: 27.9.25**
- **Autumn Disco: 16.10.25**
- **The George Seasonal Market: 14/15.11.25**
- **Film Afternoon: 16.11.25**
- **Christmas Fair: 6.12.25**
- **Christmas Tree Shred: 4.1.26**
- **Ceilidh: 23.1.26**



It was an incredible, high-energy day that celebrated creativity, rhythm, and teamwork. A huge thank you to FOGG for supporting this wonderful event, and to Mrs Knowler for organising such an inspiring musical experience for everyone.





## Upcoming Dates

### 13th October

Black History Week / Piano Assembly

### 15th October

Y2 Whipple Museum Trip

### 16th October

FOGG School Disco

### 21st October

SEND Coffee Morning

### 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Final day of school before half-term

### 3rd November

First day back after half-term



## New Holiday Club



A quick reminder that our holiday club is now being run by Kids R Active, ensuring families continue to have access to high-quality holiday childcare during school breaks.

For full details on upcoming sessions and how to book, please see the poster attached to this newsletter.

For families who may be looking for an alternative, we also have information about Monstrous Fun, a holiday club run out of Impington Sports Centre, which could be another option to consider.



## Celebration Assembly

Well done to all of the children who were presented with a Celebration Certificate last week.



This week's certificate winners are:

**Maple:** Livia & Finn

**Birch:** Darius & Finnegan

**Lime:** Amelia & Gibson

**Cherry:** Lewis and Jen Nah

**Willow:** Adeline & Caleb

**Oak:** Emaya & Leah

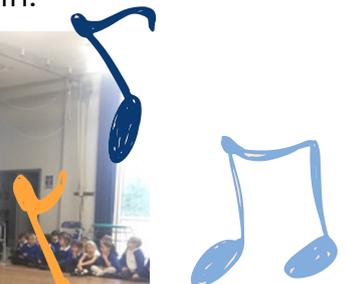


## Harvest Assembly

Our Harvest Assembly last Friday was a truly joyful occasion and a wonderful celebration of the season. It was lovely to see so many of our Ash Class families joining us, along with families who are new to the school this year as well as our year 6 families who were unable to do this first time around.

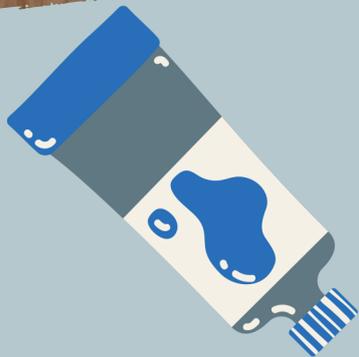
Each class shared a short performance – from heartfelt poems to lively songs – and the hall was filled with beautiful whole-school singing. The morning was full of warmth, smiles, and a real sense of community, making it a perfect way to start the day.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make this cherished Girton Glebe tradition such a special occasion once again.





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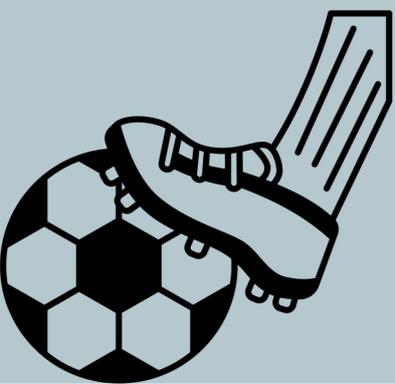


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CHILD-LED PLAY, ORGANISED SPORTS,  
CRAFTS, GAMES AND LOTS MORE KEEPING  
KIDS SAFE, ACTIVE AND HAPPY THROUGHOUT  
THE HOLIDAYS**

*Bookings open Friday 19th September*

Contact Kids R Active at  
[info@kidsractive.co.uk](mailto:info@kidsractive.co.uk)

*See you there!*





# MONSTROUS FUN HOLIDAY CLUB

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OCTOBER HALF TERM

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Friday 31<sup>st</sup>

★ IMPINGTON SPORTS CENTRE

Swimming - Arts & Crafts - Sports & Games

Ages 5 - 11

8.30am to 5.30pm

£40 per child

More information and how to book

