



Girton Glebe Primary School

Newsletter

8th May 2026



What a wonderful couple of weeks it has been, with the sunshine finally making an appearance and giving us all the chance to enjoy our fantastic outdoor spaces. It's been lovely to see the school grounds buzzing with activity.



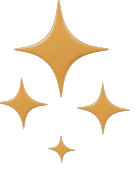
On Monday 27th April, we were delighted to welcome two members of The Eastern Learning Alliance, who visited to learn more about the Teaching and Learning taking place at Girton Glebe. They met with members of the SLT, who shared this year's CPD programme—exploring the thinking behind it, how it has been implemented, and the impact it is already having. They also spent time discussing the huge amount of work that has gone into shaping our curriculum.

After the presentation, SLT took our visitors on a learning walk around the school. They enjoyed a brilliant snapshot of life in our classrooms: from letter-writing in English, to angle-measuring in maths, to an energetic and interactive lesson on Trade. They were especially impressed by how confidently the children spoke about their learning and how clearly they could connect it to what they had learned before. It was a lovely moment for both staff and pupils to showcase the vibrant learning happening every day.

We're also getting excited for the start of swimming sessions next week. Keep an eye on your What's Nexts to find out when your child's class will be heading to the pool.

Chris Butler
Headteacher

Smartphone Free Survey: Reminder



Thank you to everyone who has already completed the Smartphone Free Survey, it has been really helpful and will help us move towards being smartphone free from September.

DEADLINE EXTENSION: MONDAY 11TH MAY, 20:00

To help guide our plans for moving towards being smartphone free from September, we would really value hearing the views of parents and carers. We're keen to understand how everyone is thinking and what feels most helpful for supporting our children through this change.

Please take a few minutes to complete this short, anonymous survey. It takes around five minutes and will really help inform the school's approach.

You can access the survey here, by scanning the QR Code:



Within the survey, it mentions 'The Parent Pack'. The Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact is a way to band together with other parents in your area to agree to delay getting your child a smartphone until at least 14, and social media until 16. More information can be found about this here:

<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/sign-the-parent-pact>

Thank you so much for your time and support.



Hello from Lime Class!



Lime Class Visit to the Museum of Classical Archaeology

On Thursday 23rd April, our Year 3 pupils enjoyed a memorable trip to the Museum of Classical Archaeology. Blessed with beautiful spring sunshine, the day began with an exciting journey on the public bus into Cambridge.

Once in the city, the children delighted in a scenic walk through the historic streets, covering over 10,000 steps throughout the day. Along the way, they eagerly spotted the famous Mathematical Bridge, which sparked lots of curiosity and conversation.

At the museum, pupils were fascinated by the impressive collection of Roman sculptures. A particular highlight was the opportunity to handle real Roman artefacts, which brought history to life in a truly tangible and exciting way. The children observed intricate details, asked thoughtful questions, and deepened their understanding of life in the ancient world.

The children represented the school beautifully and returned full of enthusiasm. A huge thank you to all the adults who accompanied us on this trip—your support made the day possible.

Year 3 Learning Update

Over the past few weeks, Year 3 have been thoroughly enjoying their work based on The Search for the Arctic Jellyfish. This engaging text has inspired a fantastic range of creative and purposeful writing across the unit. The children began by writing persuasive letters to convince crew members to join Dr Morley on the expedition, carefully choosing their words to appeal to a sense of adventure. They then stepped into role as the crew, crafting thoughtful acceptance letters in response. Building on this, pupils developed detailed expedition proposals, showcasing their ability to organise ideas and write with clarity and purpose.

One of the highlights of the unit has been their poetry writing. The children produced some truly impressive pieces, using rich vocabulary and powerful language to create vivid imagery and atmosphere.

As part of our inquiry unit, we have also loved designing and creating our own Roman sandals. The children began by making a prototype, testing and refining their ideas before producing their final designs.

It has been wonderful to see such enthusiasm and creativity in their work, and we are very proud of all they have achieved.



Team Spirit Shines at the Netball A Team Plate Final

On Thursday 23rd April, nine pupils from across Years 5 and 6 represented our school in the A Team Plate Final, competing against teams from across Cambridge.

The children played brilliantly throughout a very competitive tournament, showing impressive teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship. They scored some fantastic goals and even secured a well-earned win along the way.

They finished in a commendable 7th place overall – a result they should be very proud of.

Well done to the whole team for their hard work and enthusiasm!

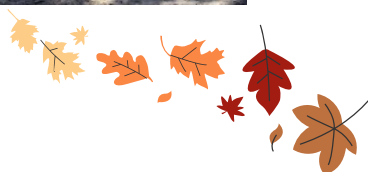


Maple Open Class

We had a wonderful time at our Maple Class Open Morning and were so pleased to welcome so many parents.

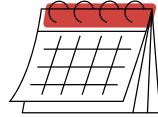
In Forest School, we enjoyed helping our community by weeding the allotment. We also had great fun playing phonics games where we decided whether words were real or “alien” and we showed our creativity by decorating our own pebbles, inspired by Lubna and Pebble. We finished the session by toasting marshmallows on the fire.

With such a gorgeous day, it was a truly special experience, and we hope everyone who joined us had as much fun as we did.





Upcoming Dates



May

11th – 15th May: Oak SATs week

14th May, 09:00: Drumming Assembly

15th May, 09:30 – 11:30: Oak Party in the Park

15th May: Ash Class Cake sale

20th May, 14:00: Cherry and Willow Production

21st May, 09:30: Cherry and Willow Production

21st May, 15:30: Oak Class France Residential Information Evening

25th – 29th May: May Half Term

June

1st – 5th June: Cherry Multiplication Times table Check

2nd June, 16:00: New Parent Information session

4th June: Sports Day

8th – 12th June: Maple Phonics Screening Check

8th – 12th June: Oak Residential to France

10th June: Birch Class trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park

16th June: Maple trip to Hunstanton

17th June: Cherry class trip to Sutton Hoo

18th June: Back Up Sports Day

23rd June: Class Photos

25th June, 10:00 -14:30: Lime and Cherry Dynamos Cricket

July

2nd July: Move Up Morning

9th July: Oak Production Day

10th July: Reports Home

14th July, 15:30 – 16:30: Reports Drop In

17th July, 09:00: Oak Class Leavers Assembly

17th July: Last Day of Term

Celebration Assembly

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



Last week's (1st May) certificate winners are:

Ash: Milo and Ali

Maple: George and Philip

Birch: Darius and Iris

Lime: Eden and Alf

Cherry: Alfie and Freddie

Willow: Nico and Bea

Oak: Lena



This week's (8th May) certificate winners are:

Ash: Zachary and Elisse-Jade

Maple: Rosellie and Dante

Birch: Hamish and Katherine

Lime: Gibson

Cherry: Ella and Violet

Willow: Eilidh and Luca

Oak: Dominik and Grace



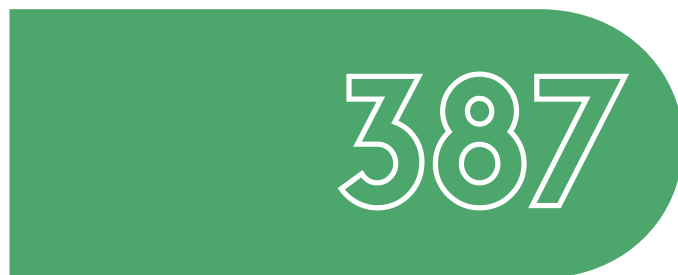


House Points

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



Here are this fortnight's totals:



info@smartkidzplayandlearn.co.uk

WHAT?!



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Wow!

BOOK NOW

Ad-hoc and emergency bookings available as long as you are registered with us!

WRAP AROUND CARE AT GIRTON GLEBE



SCAN ME

Monday to Friday

7:30am to 18:00 (term time only)

www.smartkidzplayandlearn.co.uk



WINNERS OF THE PLAY SETTING OF THE YEAR AWARD 2022

Junior netball!

New venue!

Develop your skills and build confidence with our fun and inclusive sessions.

Tuesdays at Swavesey Village College

4.15-5.15:

School years 4, 5 & 6

5.15-6.15:

School years 7, 8 & 9

Cost per week: £6.25,
£5 for siblings.

GKfit



Book at:
[gkfit.co.uk/
netball](https://gkfit.co.uk/netball)



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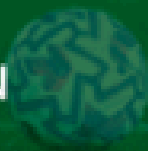
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2nd
Saturday
Every month

FARMERS MARKET

**FREE
ENTRY**

from 14.00
to 16.00



GIRTON

The William
Collyn,
Community
Centre,
Cb3 0GP

No market in January

14th February

14th March

11th April

9th May

13th June

11th July

No market in August

12th September

10th October

14th November

12th December

Welcoming Wednesdays:

Wellbeing and Education Support

A friendly, safe, and confidential space where our team of professionals and volunteers can support your family's wellbeing and education.

10 am - 1 pm
Every Wednesday
(term time only)

Cambridge Acorn Project
Cambridgeshire Music,
New School Road,
Histon, Cambridge
CB24 9LL

We're here for you
and your family,
please reach out.



We can help with:



Education, tips and strategies to support your child at home.

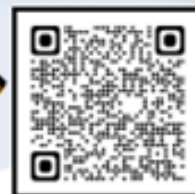


Form-filling, practical admin support, & signposting to services.



Therapeutic support.

Scan for more info:



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www.cambridgeacornproject.org.uk

**KEEPING UP
WITH THE
CHILDREN** **MATHS**

This is an adult only informal course which will help you to support your primary aged child's learning at home. We'll show you some of the teaching methods your child's school uses and explore games and everyday activities to make learning at home fun!

You can also gain skills for volunteering or working with children.

Venue: Cambourne Library

Day: Wednesday

Start Date: 3/6/26

End Date: 8/7/26

Time: 1pm - 2.30pm

To book a space please contact Cambourne Child and Family Centre
01954 284 672

ChildAndFamilyCentre.South@cambridgeshire.gov.uk