

Celebration Awards Friday 6th September 2024

Hawk	Whole class
Eagle	Whole class
Kestrel	Whole class
Swift	Whole class
Owl	Whole class
Wagtail	Whole class
Kingfisher	Whole class
Robin	Whole class
Woodpecker	Whole class

Welcome Back

It has been lovely to see our children and families back at school. We hope you all had a lovely break and had some quality family time and a chance to have a lie in!



I would also like to welcome all of our new families to the school. It was lovely to see our new reception parents at the meeting yesterday morning who then had a chance to go into class to explore the environment with their children.

We have a great website, packed with information: https://www.gbins.co.uk/ I also write a weekly newsletter that is emailed to you on a Friday and is also on the website.

We are looking forward to a busy, fun year with lots of learning.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your child's class teacher or you can phone the office on 01376326891 or email the office on admin@gbins.co.uk. The office hours are 8.30am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

Attendance

Legislation around attendance has changed starting from September 2024. Holidays taken during term time are not permitted and may result in parents receiving a fixed

penalty notice. Absences will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and evidence will need to be provided in advance



eg: letter from doctors/hospitals etc... Request for absence need to be made in advance, using an absence request form available from the office. Please click on the link to see the DfE guidance https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/medi a/66bf300da44f1c4c23e5bd1b/Working_tog ether_to_improve_school_attendance_-August 2024.pdf

A copy of our Attendance Policy is on the website or click on the link below to access: https://www.gbins.co.uk/media/2597/childattendance-policy-july-2024.pdf

Breakfast Club

We run a breakfast club from Monday to Friday, during term time, from 7.30 am for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Please bring children to the school hall via

the main entrance where they can enjoy a varied breakfast of cereal, toast, crumpets, pancakes, fruit, yoghurt, juice, milk or water. Games and



activities are arranged daily. Children are escorted to their classes at 8.40 am ready for the school day.

To benefit from the Breakfast Club, you need to book and pay in advance for your child/children via the Arbor App. The cost of each session is £4.00. If you have more than 2 siblings attending, concessions are available - please ask at the office for further details.

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Wraparound Child Care

If you need child care after school this is available up to 6.00pm. It is provided by a company called CMXSC and is held at the Junior School. Please click on the link for more information and to set up an account. <u>https://www.gbins.co.uk/parents/wraparound</u> <u>-care/</u>

Parking

The school car park is small and is shared between the Infant School and the Junior School next door. It is primarily for staff use.

We also have various taxi services that bring children to school and use the car park to drop off and pick up. Some parents with disabled badges



also use the car park but as you can appreciate the car park is very small and is very busy with adults and children moving around. We are sorry if you are unable to find space in the car park, even with a disability badge.

When parking outside of school, please check that you are parked legally and not blocking local resident driveways. Understandably, our neighbours get rather cross if someone has parked across their drive or in a reserved parking space.

PTFA School Fete

Our Summer Fete was postponed due to bad weather last term. Anyone who purchased wristbands will still be able to use them at the Fete on Friday 27th September from 3.30-6.00pm. More information will be coming to let you know how you can help and what the plans are. Put the date in your diary. Everyone is welcome as it is a joint event with the Junior School. Friends, neighbours and wider family members are also welcome.

Family Support

Sharon McCormick is our Home/School Liaison Worker. If you are struggling with your child's behaviour; bedtimes, mornings are a nightmare; your child is a fussy eater or struggles to leave you at school time, bereavement or family separation, then Sharon may be able to help.

If she cannot help you personally, then she can refer to more specialised services who will be experts in their field. Sharon is available Monday - Wednesday between 7.45am-4pm. You are welcome to email her on <u>Smccormick@lyonshall.org.uk</u>. She can also be contacted on 01376552393 or 07714621666. Alternatively, come to one of her drop in sessions in school from 8.30am -9.30am on one of the following Mondays: 23rd September 21st October 25th November

9th December

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18.9.24	Governor Meeting	6.30pm
20.9.24	Individual Photos	Day
27.9.24	PTFA School Fete	3.30- 6.00pm
17.10.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm
18.10.24	Kestrel class assembly	9.05am
19.9.24	PTFA AGM all welcome	6.15pm
27.9.24	School fete all welcome	3.30- 6.00pm
21.10.24 to 25.10.24	Book Fair in school	Open 3.20- 4.20pm

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23.10.24	Parent Consultation meetings for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	3.40- 6.20pm
24.10.24	Parent Consultation meetings for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	3.40- 6.20pm
28.10.24 to 1.11.24	Half Term Week	
4.11.24	Back to school	8.40am
11.11.24	Non-Pupil Day	Day
11.11.25 to 15.11.25	Anti-Bullying Week	
15.11.24	Owl class assembly	9.05am
29.11.25	Eagle class assembly	9.05am
2.12.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm
6.12.24	Swift class assembly	9.05am
6.12.24	Nursery & Reception Disco in hall	3.30- 4.30pm
6.12.24	Years 1 & 2 Disco in hall	4.45- 6.00pm
20.12.24	Last day of term	3.20pm

23.12.24 to 3.1.25	Christmas Holidays	
6.1.24	Back to school for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	8.40am
7.1.24	Back to school Nursery	
16.1.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
24.1.25	Hawk class assembly	9.05am
27.1.25	Non-Pupil Day	Day
7.2.25	Wagtail class assembly	9.05am
12.2.25	Parent Consultation Meetings	3.40- 6.20pm
13.2.25	Parent Consultation Meetings	3.40- 6.20pm
17.2.25 to 21.2.25	Half Term	
24.2.25	Back to school	8.40am
17.3.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
24.3.25	Reception Dress Rehearsal	9.15am
25.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Kingfisher and ½ Robin class	9.15am

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26.3.25	Reception performance to parents in Woodpecker and ½ Robin class	9.15am
7.4.25 to 21.4.25	Easter Holidays	
22.4.25	Back to school	
24.4.25	Governor meeting	6.30pm
16.5.25	Kingfisher class assembly	9.05am
23.5.25	Non-Pupil Day	
26.5.25 to 30.5.25	Half Term	
2.6.25	Back to school	8.40am
9.6.25	Year 1 Phonic Screening Week	
13.6.25	Robin class assembly	9.05am
20.6.25	Woodpecker class assembly	9.05am
7.7.25	Yr 2 Dress rehearsal	
8.7.25	Yr 2 Performance to Parents in Kestrel class and ½ Hawk class children's surname A-J	9.15am
9.7.25	Yr 2 Performance to Parents in	9.15am

	Eagle class and ½ Hawk class children's surname K-Z	
10.7.24	Governor meeting	6.30pm
11.7.25	Year 2 Leaver's Disco	3.30- 5.00pm
22.7.25	Last day of term	
23.7.25 to 29.8.25	Summer holidays	

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