



"Together we Love, Learn and flourish"

This year we are due our SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) We will have a visit from an inspector who will focus on "How effective is the school's distinctive Christian vision, established and promoted by leadership at all levels, in enabling pupils and adults to flourish?" We are not a faith school and all are welcome at our school; we are a church school with faith at our heart. Whenever we have visitors to school they always comment on the ethos of the school and the very positive 'feel' of the school and how well our children interact with each other and how well children and adults interact with each other. The whole school family do support each other to flourish. Pupils and staff worked on and decided upon the Christian values that underpin what we do in school and as you walk around you can see this in the day to day activities carried out by both children and adults. Here is a reminder of our values

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We worked together on our values. Look out of them in everything that we do.

Caring - We care for each other and the world around us.

Supportive - We help each other to be the best we can be.

Inclusive - We value everyone

Respectful -We treat others how we would like to be treated ourselves.

Forgiving - We understand that we can all make mistakes

Honest -We are truthful to ourselves and to other people

Thankful - We are grateful for all of God's gifts

Courageous - We face our fears together and aim high

Chicken Pox

We have had a few more cases of chicken pox this week so please be vigilant, particularly if your child has not had chicken pox previously. Several children have also had a sore throat before the spots have appeared. If in doubt please check for spots!

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

Raffle Tickets

Thank you so much for efforts with selling our raffle tickets this term. The last day to return raffle tickets to school is Friday 8th July. If you have sold your raffle tickets please return the money and stubs to school along with any spare tickets you may have.

Gainford Fun Day

Gainford Fun Day is on this Saturday and I know that many of our families enjoy the whole day including the fancy dress and all of the activities on offer. Look out for FoGS Teddy tombola stall. Thank you for donations for this - my office had had a lovey array of soft toys arriving every day and class Swale children have been popping in to have sneaky peak!! St Mary's Church are also having a coffee and tea stall on the green and I know they will be very happy to see you too.



Summer Games Night/Fayre

On Thursday 14th July 3.30-6pm we will be holding a Games Night & Fayre for all of our school families. You are more than welcome to come along with other family members too.

If you can donate any of the following we would appreciate it very much.

- Bottle gift bags
- Bottles of alcohol for the tombola stall
- Filled glass jars (filled with rubbers, bobbles, sweets, marbles, crayons etc)
- Empty jars with or without lids (so we can fill these at school)
- Pringle tubes (or similar)

Class Tees have had a wonderful week. They now have the stage set up for their end of year production and have worked so hard on learning lines and rehearsing their songs. They have also been learning about a contrasting location and have focused on Benin in West Africa. In Benin art the meaning of various animals is linked to myths and, proverbs traditional beliefs and often featured on plaques and on jewellery. On Friday afternoon Class Tees pupils used clay and clay tools to make plaques featuring their chosen animal.; it was an afternoon of learning and fun-and a very messy hall!

Lydia "The Benin topic is really fun and I loved working with clay; it was hard to work with at first but I soon got the hang of it!

John "I enjoyed moulding the clay into shape it was good fun; this is the type of art that I really enjoy doing."

Class Wear and Class Swale

When we booked a whole day educational visit to South Shields we kept our fingers crossed that the rain would stay away and we were rewarded with a wonderful day of sunshine. Both classes set off with bags full of towels and buckets and spades and they all had a wonderful time. They followed up their visit producing some wonderful work in the classroom. As part of Water Safety Week, they also learnt about keeping safe near water. Watch out for photos on our website - coming soon. There were lots of sleepy children (and tired staff) after an action-packed day!

Hope everyone has good week

C Riley

Reminders/Appeals

We are a Nut- Free school

Please ensure packed lunches are nut free and please do not send your child to school with nuts for a snack.

Covid Information

- Adults with symptoms of a respiratory infection and who have a high temperature or feel unwell should try to stay at home and avoid contact with others until they can resume normal activities and no longer have a temperature
- Children and young people who are unwell and/or have a high temperature should follow the same advice.
- Adults with a positive Covid test result should try to stay home and avoid others for 5 days
- Children with a positive Covid test are advised to stay home for 3 days



Attendance w/e24.06 .2022

Our Minimum Target is 96%

Well done to all classes who have achieved attendance above our minimum target.

A special well done to class Swale for attendance that was the best out of the entire school.

Class	Attendance %
Swale	93.52
Wear	76.01
Tees	93.04

Gold Headteacher Awards

Awards made by class teachers this week were for Helpfulness

Class Swale	Angus Harry
Class Wear	Ryan C
Class Tees	Alice Ava

Next week the award will be for Maths

Diary Dates

Year 6 Secondary visit dates

- Teesdale Academy 4th and 5th July
- Staindrop Academy 6th and 7th July
- St Francis Xavier, Richmond 11th July (full day tbc) and 7th July (am only)

Family Games Night/Fayre Thurs 14th July 3.30-6pm

Year 6 Leavers' Service St Mary's Church, Gainford
Wednesday 20th July 9.10am

Class Tees Production-Pirates of The Curry Bean
Tuesday 19th July 2pm & 6pm

Sports Day Wednesday 13th July pm

Last Day of Term - Thursday 21st July

Return to School – Tuesday 6th September

Clubs for the Summer Term

Clubs are £4.50 for the hour session or £6.75 for 1 hour and 30-minute sessions

Computing Club 3.30-4.30pm Mr Martin Open to Tees and Wear pupils
6th, 13th (not 20th) 27th June, 4th 11th July

Athletics Club with Kyle Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm
Open to Class Wear and Tees
6th, 14th, 21st, 28th June 12th July

Forest School Club with Mrs Muir. 3.30-5.00pm
06.07.2022 Open to Class Wear and Class Tees pupils – places still available

Friends of Gainford School (FoGS)

The next FoGS meeting is on Monday 4th July at 7pm. This will be via Teams. If you would like to join in even just to find out how you could help with up-and-coming fundraising events then please contact Gainfordfogs@gmail.com.

We really do need lots of help with the Summer Fayre on the 14th July so please come along to the meeting if you think that you can help in any way and that they have the right to



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We are a Rights Respecting School

Article 22 You have a right to special protection and help if you are a refugee.

Children have learnt a little bit more about what countries are doing for refugees. They have heard how some schools in County Durham already have Ukrainian refugee children attending and having lessons just like them.

HOUSEPOINTS/DOJO points

Well done for all the hard work and effort in school this week! The Dojo points have been added up and those Dizzy Dogs have come out on top!

<u>DIZZY DOGS</u>	171	<u>FANTASTIC FOXES</u>	160
<u>LEAPING LIONS</u>	109	<u>COOL CATS</u>	127