



Message from the Headteacher

Bowes Museum Visit

This week Class Tees pupils had a wonderful visit to Bowes Museum. The visit was a mixture of history and art with the class learning printing techniques as well as learning about the history behind Bowes Museum. It is a fabulous opportunity for the children to see the art work and exhibitions currently on display.

"We looked around the museum and took ideas from the objects we saw like the dresses. We used these patterns to help us with our own designs." Ada

"We learnt about John and Josephine Bowes and their love of art. We made sketches of what we saw and used these ideas to make our own printing tiles," Amelia

"There were dresses on display from the 1700s to the 1950s and lots of people looked at the patterns on them and used these in their own printing. We learnt how to use polystyrene tiles for printing. It was really good." Joseph

Floods in Pakistan.

All children have been learning about the floods in Pakistan and how they have impacted on the lives of over 33 million people- that's 1 in 7 of their population with families losing their homes livelihoods and, in some cases, loved ones. Some of our Class Tees pupils have been looking at ways to help. Lydia has written a letter to send to the local MP to see what the UK government are doing to help and she has also found out which charities are supporting the people of Pakistan. The pupils have asked me to share the link for the Red Cross charity with parents/carers in case anyone wants to donation

<https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/pakistan-floods-appeal>

It is wonderful to see our older pupils being socially active and really trying to make a difference not only to our local environment and community but also looking at supporting others globally. Well done!

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival Service will be held at St Marys Church, Gainford on Wednesday 19th October at 9.10am; this usually lasts no more than 1 hour. We will be asking for donations of tinned /packaged food or fresh produce with donations being shared between Butterwick Hospice and the local food bank, 'The Well', at West Auckland. All are welcome to come along to the service.

Gainford's Got Talent! Thursday October 13th 7pm

Don't forget to respond to the Operoo Form, for Class Tees & Wear, this will provide your consent for your child to walk as a group to the church and give us an indicative number of those children's family members attending. This should finish at around 8.30pm. We would love lots of family support for this event.



Table-Top Sale

There is a fund-raising event at the Gainford Village Hall on Saturday 8th October 10am to 4pm, there will be a mixture of new and used items for sale, along with refreshments being served. It is in aid of Total Order Pro CIC, which support vulnerable and disadvantaged people in their own homes.

Children arriving late

Just a reminder that the school day commences at 8.55am when we take the register and start lessons or Collective Worship promptly. Did you know that being a few minutes late each day, can build up to several hours of missed education over the school year?

Messy Church

The next session of Messy Church will be held on Sunday 16th October at 3:30-5.30pm at St Mary's Church, all families are welcome to join in the fun!

Here's hoping the weather improves for the weekend after a very wet end to the school week!

C Riley

Quick Reminder

Please ensure packed lunches are nut free and please do not send your child to school with nuts for a snack.
Packed Lunches should not contain sugary drinks, chocolate bars, chocolate biscuits or sweets

Please label your child's clothing including PE kit, hats, scarves etc as this will help us return any lost property to the correct pupil.



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Attendance w/e 30.09.2022

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	99.1
Wear	85.9
Tees	98.8

Gold Headteacher Awards

Awards this week were for RE

Well done for the fabulous work this week

Class Swale	Toby Lachlan
Class Wear	Ryan Erin
Class Tees	Alfie

Diary Dates

Staindrop School Tag Rugby: Wednesday 19th October (Class Wear)

Harvest Festival: Wednesday 19th October -St Marys Church 9.10am

Staindrop School Sports Festival: Thursday 20th October (Class Tees)

Staindrop School Sports Leaderships: Friday 21st October (Details TBC)

Break up for Half Term: Friday 22nd October

Return to school: Monday 31st October

Flu Immunisations: Wednesday 16th November

School Closure: Monday 21st November (Staff Training)

Nativity (Class Swale): Wednesday 7th December 10am & Thursday 8th December 1.30pm

Pantomime at Darlington Hippodrome (Whole School): Wednesday 14th December (details to follow)

Break up for Christmas: Tuesday 20th December

Return to School: Thursday 5th January

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Multi-Sports

With Kyle for Y2-Y6

Tuesdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Forest School Session Y2-6

With Mrs Muir

Wednesday 19th October 3.30-5pm £6.75

Mini Disciples delivered by Claire Mead
crafts, songs, drama, Bible stories and so much more!

Open to Class Wear & Tees

Wednesday 3.30-4.40pm 5/12/19th October
2/9/16th November

First session free then £10 for 5 more sessions



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Friends of Gainford School (FoGS)

The next FoGS meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5th at 7pm via Teams/Zoom. We would love to see more volunteers supporting our school so if you are interested in volunteering or just finding out more please contact gainfordfogs@gmail.com.

We are a Rights Respecting School

Rights Respecting

This week the children have learnt about the flooding in Pakistan. They recognise that children have a right to food and shelter. They discussed how they can help. They considered the impact of climate change and recognised that everyone has a responsibility to look after our planet.

HOUSEPOINTS/DOJO points

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

<u>DIZZY DOGS</u>	258	<u>FANTASTIC FOXES</u>	236
<u>LEAPING LIONS</u>	288	<u>COOL CATS</u>	286