



THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

Keeping you up to date

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Spring Term Week 10

We've had Royalty in school this week, as we had a coronation ceremony in Year 1 on Wednesday to crown King Arthur and Queen Niamh. The Year 1 children were all extremely smartly dressed and had designed and made their own crowns as part of their home learning. Thank you to Reverend Diane who led the ceremony. Our Reception children were invited to join in the celebrations and they enjoyed sharing the cakes that Year 1 made during the day (which were very delicious!) Pictures from this event are below.



We are feeling very proud of our Reception children as Miss Byrne has been out of class a lot this week helping interview our potential Year 2 teachers and taking part in training. The children have been so kind and helpful to our supply staff, Mrs Misra and Mrs Taylor, as well as to Mrs Cole and Miss Powell. They have been a great team!

Our Nursery children have been so impressive in their learning this week – they have been researching Apatosaurus's (I had never heard of an Apatosaurus, so they have taught me about it too!) and found out why they have such long necks and tails. In Maths they have worked hard on counting to ten using cubes. The children have also been planting sunflowers with Mrs Gough ready for the spring.



We ended the week with us all seeing red! It has been a wonderful day today, raising money for the school and for Comic Relief. Thank you for wearing red as part of our dress down day and for supplying and buying goodies at the cake sale. We raised £72.70 for Comic Relief from the cake sale which will go to fantastic causes.

Thanks to the FROGS for organising the disco after school – it was a lot of fun and, as always the children's behaviour was exemplary. Where do they get their energy from? Have a fabulous weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

'Happy, Kind and Confident'

Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Due to interviews, we did not have a celebration assembly this week so there are no stars of the week or house points. We will do double house points next week to see who the winning house is.

Vacancy – Kitchen Assistant

We are sad to say that Harriet, who works in our school kitchen for AiP, has a new job. AiP are therefore recruiting. The position is for 15 hours week (3 hours a day – 10.30am-1.30pm) Monday to Friday. The hourly rate of pay is £12.21 (the National Living Wage). Tasks include helping to prepare food, washing up and helping to serve the dessert option to the children at lunchtimes. If you would like to gain a qualification, there is also the opportunity to do an apprenticeship. This would be for 16 hours per week and We will let you know the hourly rate of pay if you are interested. Please let Mrs Isaac's, Mrs Harrison (Nursery) or Mrs Tucker know if you are interested in this opportunity. We will all miss Harriet and wish her the very best.

Support to Stop Smoking or Vaping

We have been made aware of the following service and been asked to share it with you:

<https://smokefreecw.co.uk/>

Our School Allotment

Another enormous thank you for helping make the Griffin a great place for your children. Mr Klesca, Mr Socolovsky, the Colville family and the Mutelica family came along on Sunday to help move compost, spread bark chippings and clear some ground at our school allotment. We could not have done it without you! The allotment is almost ready for the children to start planting and we already have rhubarb growing well. Next, will be planting strawberry plants.

Scooters

If your child is going to wraparound after school and has arrived on their scooter in the morning, please park their scooter in the compound at the end of the hall so that we can lock the playground gate at 3.30pm for security reasons. Thank you.

Forthcoming Dates for the Diary

01/04 Reception – School Nursing Service Visit

08/04 Mad Hatter's Tea Party Themed Lunch

10/04 Easter Hunt with a special surprise at the end!

11/04 Easter Bonnet Parade – 2:30pm

14/04 to 25/04 HALF TERM

News from The Frogs

Next Event



SAVE THE DATE!

On Saturday 10th May from 7-10pm we are holding a 'Strictly The Griffin' event for adults. Kerry Dennehy (a former All England Latin American Champion, English Closed Latin Champion, UK Closed Professional Latin Finalist, UK Closed Amateur 10 dance Finalist, UK Closed Amateur Latin Finalist, UK Closed Youth Latin Finalist and British Team Member) will be teaching us a Latin dance and a Ballroom dance during the evening. There will also be a meal of some description and a bar – it will be a fun evening for friends and families of The Griffin Primary School. Further information and ticket prices will be coming out soon. For those of you who love Strictly ... rather than a '10 from Len', it's a '9 from Mrs Hine!'

The FROGS email address is

frogs2072@welearn365.com if you ever need to contact them.

Feeling Charitable

Well done Summer in Year 1. She is taking part in a Race for Life to raise money for Cancer Research. If you wanted to sponsor her the link is below:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/summers-race-for-life-30329328>

