



# THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

## Keeping you up to date

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### Spring Term Week 13

In this, the last week of Spring Term, we had a very special visitor on Thursday – the Easter Bunny had come in to say 'hello' to the children and hand out chocolate eggs. The children had to follow clues, which led to the hall where he was waiting for them. As you can imagine, it caused quite a lot of excitement! We also enjoyed learning about and helping to celebrate Vaisakhi today, and were taught some great dance moves by Aarna and Annapoorna.



In class this week, children have been learning about the Easter story and have been completing lots of Easter activities. They have been recapping their learning from this half term.

We have noticed that there are lots of tired children and I am not surprised – it has been a long term! We all look forward to having the next two weeks to relax, refresh and recharge ready for the Summer Term, our final term of the year. We hope you have a safe and happy Easter Holiday. We look forward to seeing you on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 8.45am.

### Wraparound Care

As we have a significantly higher number of children attending the wraparound club session from 3.20- 4.20pm, we need to change the arrangements for picking up from this slot slightly. We currently have parents arriving adhoc during this hour and, although this has been manageable to date, this is now increasingly difficult to manage, whilst supervising the children and keeping them safe.

We, therefore, need to have a fixed pick up time moving forward, so that we can closely supervise all children at the end of the session by getting their belongings and getting them ready for collection at the same time.

From the Summer Term, we will be locking the gated compound at the end of the hall at 3.35pm, once the early pick up slot has finished, and will then unlock it at 4.20pm. We will have the children lined up and ready to go and we will then sign them out for you.

This will mean that one member of staff will be keeping an eye on children who are staying to the later session, whilst other adults open the door and speak to parents if required.

As we have less children at the later wraparound session (4.20-5.30pm), collection can be from any time after 5pm, to ensure children have had time for their snack.

We have also had some people booking onto the morning sessions and then not showing up and this can affect the levels of supervision we have planned. Therefore, we are also changing the deadline for booking/cancelling sessions to 10 minutes before any session, to allow for sudden, unexpected changes.

As this is a very flexible system, if sessions are not booked/cancelled in time, then the full charge of the session attended/missed will apply.

**'Happy, Kind and Confident'**

## Star of the Week Celebration Assembly


Congratulations to our stars of the week:

**Nursery** – Kolby for always being Happy, Kind and Confident and always making everyone smile.

**Reception** – Archie S-M for his astonishing knowledge about the world and amazing progress this year.

**Year 1** – Alex for fabulous writing and working hard. (Mrs Hine's Tea Party will be on the first day back!)

## House Points

The winning house this week is  .

Well done to everyone in Ruby House for earning the most Dojo points. Our termly reward for the winning team – an extra playtime - went to all of our houses, as they each had 3 gems in the treasure chest!

## Summer Term Clubs

Here is the schedule of after-school clubs for the Summer Term. They are all £3.50 to attend. The wraparound clubs are for 3 year olds and above and will start on the first day back. The staff led clubs are for Reception and Year 1. These will start in week 2.

**Monday** – Mini Rugby (Wraparound)

Cooking – Miss Byrne (FULL)

Art Club – Mrs Cation (NEW)

**Tuesday** – Arts and Crafts (Wraparound)

Football (Mr Pouton & Mr Martin)

**Wednesday** – Multi-Sports (Wraparound)

**Thursday** – Movement Club (Wraparound)

**Friday** – Colouring Club (Wraparound)

We also have two lunchtime clubs from 12.30-1pm:

**Tuesday** – Singing (True Music – pay directly)

**Friday** – Recorder Club (Mrs Hine – free) (FULL)

To book a place on any wraparound club please go to ParentPay.

For art club, Mrs Isaac's will create a Parentpay item when we return after the holiday. Places are limited to 12 children.

## Mrs Tucker

Mrs Tucker will not be in school for several weeks after the holiday as she is having an operation. Mrs Isaac's and Mrs Harrison will be increasing their hours to cover her absence. We wish Mrs Tucker a speedy recovery.

## Forthcoming Dates for the Diary

**14/04 to 25/04 HALF TERM**

**16/04 National Offer Day** - Nursery and Reception Places for September 2025.

**28/04 Summer Term Starts**

**01/05 Polling Day** – the Nursery is being used as a Polling Station. Nursery children will be based in the main school building for the day. Further information to follow.

**02/05 FROGS' End of Friday 'Treat'** – Fruit pots 50p

**05/05 Bank Holiday** – No school!

**08/05 'Invite an adult to lunch' Day**

**12/05 Scholastic Book Fair** – in school for a week

**13/05 Year 1 Victorian Trip** – St John's Museum

**14/05 Animal Workshop (in school)** - Reception and E1 & E2 children

**26/05 – HALF TERM**

**02/06 – Teacher Training Day** – No pupils in school or Nursery

**03/06 – Children back to school**

**09/06 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week**

**10/06 New Parents' Information Evening** – Nursery 5.30-6.15pm / Reception 6.30-7.15pm

**11-13/06 Arts 'Week'** – further information to follow!

## News from The Frogs

### Next Event



### Easter Bonnet Parade

Congratulations to everyone for such wonderful and creative Easter Bonnets – we were so impressed! The children voted for their favourite ones, and the winners of the Easter Bonnet Competition were:

**Nursery** = Zayden

**Reception** = Charlotte

**Year 1** = Jude

### Strictly The Griffin – 10<sup>th</sup> May 7-10pm.

Tickets are selling quickly – don't miss out. Book your tickets via ParentPay.

If you ever need to contact the FROGS, their email address is [frogs2072@welearn365.com](mailto:frogs2072@welearn365.com)



## And Finally...

Happy Vaisakhi to all of our Sikh families – we hope you have a wonderful time and enjoy the celebrations.