



THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

Keeping you up to date

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Spring Term Week 9

Spring has really 'sprung' this week, with our daffodils beginning to blossom, our tulips on the way and the primroses in the front planter (which the Eco Club planted) bursting with colour. As I write this the sun is shining – a bit different to the wild weather from Thursday!

This week in nursery the children have been subitising numbers to 5, learning about a stegosaurus, and having fun creating rainbow puddles, while exploring colours and mixing. The children have really enjoyed these activities, developing their maths, creativity and curiosity.

In Reception, children have been continuing with their work from 'The Enormous Turnip' and going on a Spring Walk. Year 1 children learnt about the changes in weather – measuring wind speed on the Beaufort Scale and finding out about temperature.

This week Year 2 children have been looking at the importance of hierarchy during the reign of William the Conqueror, sequencing a story in English and counting in 5's to understand the 5 times table. We have also welcomed the arrival of some mealworms into the classroom as part of our current science unit! We will be checking on them each week to see how they have grown during the process of metamorphosis.

The week finished with our Fabulous Friday – dress down and cake sale for Comic Relief (a week early, but we are interviewing next week for our Year 3 teacher!), our Wonderful Women Gift Trolley and our Silent Discos – great fun!

Walk and Wheel

Over the next 2 weeks, we are encouraging children to walk or wheel to school. The Big Walk and Wheel inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and to discover how these changes benefit their world. It is open to all schools in the UK and takes place from the **16th to 27th March** – our last 2 weeks before the Easter holiday. The challenge is for as many pupils as possible to travel to school by walking or wheeling using bicycles or scooters. We then send in our top 5 days' percentages, from across both weeks to determine our final position – there are daily prizes to be won! If you live too far away to do this all the way, but would still like your child to join in, why not try a hybrid approach and drive most of the way and then park nearby on a road on Eden Park or Rocherbie Heights and walk the rest of the way?
Good luck everyone!



Parent Forum

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to be representatives on this forum. The first meeting for will be on Tuesday 24th March at 6.30pm. It will take place in school. I look forward to seeing you.

Work Experience Students

Just to let you know that next week we will welcome some students from Rugby Free Secondary School who are joining us for their work experience week.

Consultation Evening Reminder

From 5-6pm, on Monday 16th March, there is a consultation meeting regarding the formation of The Sheriff Partnership, the Lawrence Sheriff MAT. Parents of The Griffin Primary School are welcome to attend.

Nursery Parents' Evenings

We look forward to seeing Nursery parents this week to meet with Mr Pouton. These meetings will be held in the main school building.

'Happy, Kind and Confident'

Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our stars of the week:

Nursery – Fabian, for his super creativity in the construction area.

Reception – Zach for great effort and determination in all that he does.

Year 1 – Srihitha for being a ray of sunshine every day and making everyone feel happy.

Year 2 – Ethan K for his incredible attitude and effort in maths. He is a true mathematician!

Presentation Awards

Reception – Zeph for always taking such care in his work.

Year 1 – Sahib for amazing progress in his handwriting.

Year 2 – Fabian for his brilliant bag tag that he made in DT. He used a running stitch to join two bits of fabric together and embellished it with sequins.

Mr. Martin's PE Award

Year 1 – Evangelia for super learning of new skills

Year 2 – Ethan K for his amazing teamwork during this week's team building exercises.

House Points 🏆

Well done to everyone in Topaz House for earning the most Dojo points this week.

Values Ambassadors

Congratulations to this half term's ambassadors for Reception who are:

We are Considerate: Jakub

We are Kind: Mia

We Talk: Mandy

We are Respectful: Lucas

We Listen: Niyara

Plastic Bottle Tops

Thank you to everyone who has been sending these in – The Eco-Club have used these to create a piece of art reminding us to look after our oceans. I will post a picture of this next week, once it is glued together and it will be displayed in the hall near our Eco board. We therefore, no longer need any more bottle tops to be sent in.

It's Rhubarb Season!

I will be bringing organic rhubarb to school from Tuesday for you to enjoy (suggested donation is 5 sticks for £1 – all proceeds to the school) – bring on the crumbles!

Forthcoming Dates for the Diary – 2026!

16-27/03 The Big Walk and Wheel

17, 18 & 19/03 Nursery Parents' Evenings

23/03 IEP Review Meetings – relevant parents have been notified of these meetings.

25/03 Marvellous Monarchs Workshop – Year 2

27/03 Easter Bonnet Parade – 2.30pm

30/03 – 13/04 EASTER HOLIDAY

13/04 Teacher Training Day

14/04 Summer Term Starts

08/05 Family Bingo Evening

12/06 Class Photos

19/06 Marvellous Men (Fathers and Others) Gift Trolley

11/07 Summer Fayre & Farmers' Market

News from the FROGS – Next Events



If you know of any craft/food stall holders or face painters who might want a stall at our Summer Fayre & Farmer's Market, please do let a member of the FROGS or the office know. Thank you.

School Allotment

Mr Hine and I were busy moving 2 tonnes of soil into the planters on our school allotment on Saturday morning – it was beautiful weather and very invigorating! The allotment is now ready for planting. We can't wait to start growing some fruit and vegetables up there.

Happy Mothers' Day

Hoping that all the mothers and wonderful women have had a fantastic day today. You deserve it!

