

Learning Logs, Book Changes, Homework and Reminders

- Please make sure your child brings their learning log to school every day. On a Thursday we will be summarising a book as a class.
- As discussed at parents evening, when you listen to your child read, please comment in their learning log book. Speak to Ms Vanderkar if you have any questions about this.
- New homework will be distributed on **Fridays**.
- Please make sure homework is returned by **Tuesday** so it can be marked.

Spanish, Music and PE

- Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on **Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon**.
- This half term the children will be enjoying Music with our specialist teacher. This will include holiday songs appropriate for the season as well as a song that will be sung in their assembly!
- In Spanish they have been learning greetings and colours and this term they will be learning how to say body parts.



Key Dates

Assembly

Wednesday 27th November at 3:15pm.

Trips

Tuesday 10th December —Panto

If you would like to come with us on any school trips this is greatly appreciated.

Gainsborough Primary School Class Newsletter Doves

Dear Parents and Carers of children in
Year 2,

Welcome back to Gainsborough!

We hope you had an lovely half term break.

The children had a fantastic start to Year 2 and we are looking forward to another exciting half term of learning with more challenges!

Adults Working in Year 2

Miss Vanderkar, Miss Arooba and Ms Medland

Our Campaign this half term is



Keep Giving.

Did you know that 1,137 people are sleeping on the streets of London? And sadly this number is increasing.

We are collecting **coats and warm clothes** to give to a charity who will pass it on to those in need. We will be creating leaflets in ICT to promote our cause!

Gainsborough Keeps

Excellence in learning. Always striving.

Our new campaign curriculum centres around the values we want our children to hold when they leave Gainsborough:

Keep Giving

Keep Kind

Keep Green

Keep Healthy

Keep Connected

Keep Safe

Reading

- We will be changing reading books once a week on a TUESDAY.
- If you would like the book to be changed more regularly, please comment in your child's learning log. Every time this is done, we will look to change the book.
- To support your child at home, please do read with your child as often as you can. This can include them being read to as well as listening to them.
- Our class reader is Julia Donaldson.
- Children can also access Bug Club . If you have difficulties logging on, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Vanderkar.

ICT

- We will be using various ICT programmes to assist in our campaign.
- This will include using Word to create an eye-catching leaflet
- We will use PowerPoint to promote our campaign around school.
- If you have access to Word programmes at home, please do use with your child to help with speed/improve typing skills.

Maths

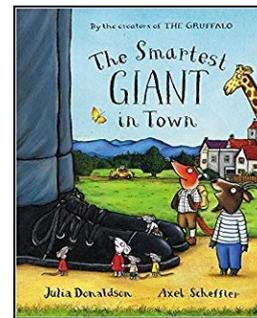
In maths this half term we are covering

- Shape— 2D and 3D shapes.
- Multiplication and division— so any help you can give at home learning the 2, 5 and 10 times table and their related division facts will really benefit the children.
- Fractions—half, quarter, thirds, three quarters.
- Statistics—different type of representing data e.g. pictogram, tally, bar. This will also include answering questions about the data.
- Good, old-fashioned money!
- Useful website:
www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-

Curriculum

- Our topic this term will be clothes.
- We will be learning about clothes from different times in history. We will start by looking at clothes worn by the Vikings. We will examine portraits of children in different eras and we will be comparing our school uniforms to Victorian children's uniforms.
- We will compare different materials and find out about the history of weaving.
- We will also be discovering traditional costumes from around the world.
- Our science module is Humans and Other Animals.

Writing



- Writing this term is linked to our topic on clothes.
- We will be using The Smartest Giant in town by Julia Donaldson as inspiration.
- We will be writing a letter pretending to be a shop keeper and persuading the giant to come to our shop. We will have to use lots of descriptive language to convince him.
- We will then innovate the story into a new narrative about a person giving away clothes to people who need them.
- We will also be writing an information brochure all about clothes in the past. We will be able to gather lots of information from our topic work. Please share what you used to wear as school uniform with your child. How was it different? Similar?