

# Gainsborough Newsletter



Summer 1 Week 1



## The Time We Spring-Cleaned the World Poem

The world it got so busy, There were people all around. They left their germs behind them; In the air and on the ground. These germs grew bigger and stronger. They wanted to come and stay. They didn't want to hurt anyone - They just really wanted to play. Sometimes they tried to hold your hand, Or tickled your throat or your nose. They could make you cough and sneeze And make your face as red as a rose. And so these germs took over. They started to make people ill, And with every cough we coughed More and more germs would spill. All the queens and kings had a meeting. "It's time to clean the world up!" they said. And so they had to close lots of fun stuff, Just so these germs couldn't spread. We couldn't go to cinemas Or restaurants for our tea. There was no football or parties, The world got as quiet as can be.	The kids stopped going to school, The mums and dads went to work less. Then a great, big, giant scrubbing brush Cleaned the sky and the sea and the mess! Dads started teaching the sums, Big brothers played with us more, Mums were in charge of homework And we read and played jigsaws galore! The whole world was washing their hands And building super toilet roll forts! Outside was quiet and peaceful, Now home was the place for all sports. So we played in the world that was home And our days filled up with fun and love, And the germs they grew smaller and smaller And the sun watched from up above. Then one morning the sun woke up early, She smiled and stretched her beams wide. The world had been fully spring cleaned, It was time to go back outside! We opened our doors oh so slowly And breathed in the clean and fresh air. We promised that forever and always. Of this beautiful world we'd take care!
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## Instagram

Weekly learning challenges, ideas and help on our Instagram page [Gainsborough\\_hackney](#)

Weekly learning focus – Each week on Instagram we are sharing ideas linked to a subject. These tasks are great for all ages, and adults! They are designed to be resources light and easily completed. It gives everyone a break from the online learning and a chance to do something nice together. This week we looked at art. We shared lots of examples of the art activities we were tagged in or that were sent to us:

Week 1 – Art, Week 2 - History, Week 3 - Geography, Week 4 - Science,  
Week 5 - Music, Half Term - PE

## App of the Week is Mathletics

Mathletics

Mathletics is a great way to build on mathematical and problem solving skills. Children are given opportunities to practice different areas of maths through activities and challenges that are fun and engaging. Points can be earned for every activity which then leads to certificates being awarded. Since the lockdown children at Gainsborough have been awarded 209 bronze certificates and have earned over 443,090 points.

Mathletics can be easily accessed on mobiles, tablets or laptops for instant, rewarding and positive screen time.

## Well Being

Our WAHM's clinician, Dr Liz Malpass, is available to speak with members of our school community. Please call the school office if you would like to talk through issues related to: bereavement, wellbeing, child and adult mental health, COVID 19 related issues. We are here to listen.

Our A Space therapist Anne-Marie Gilliard is also available to talk through issues you may be experiences and share materials.

We have a wealth of online materials available to us via the COVID 19 link on our website. Please read these and familiarise yourself with answers and explanations for when your children have questions. Getting the balance between fact sharing and protecting our children is crucial in a pandemic.

## Learning Packs

As home learning continues some families report that they have some great routines going while others face barriers at every turn. We have some tips.

Agree a schedule each day, this can follow a class timetable if that helps

Agree short activities with breaks in between each activity

Agree rewards, and consequences, to manage refusal or behaviour. Use time out and 'time in'. 'Time in' is a great reward and can be activities with an adult or time on their favourite thing!

Praise, praise, praise. Give realistic praise for every piece of good work.

Don't sweat the small stuff. Leave the little errors, late starts and early finishes alone.

Keep going Gainsborough!

## Food Bank

We are with Badu Sports and Magic Breakfast to offer you support when needed. If you require a food package please do not hesitate to ask.

## NSPCC info

Coronavirus has changed lots of things about family life. And we know that some parents and carers might be worried about how to manage stress and changes to their daily routines. It's important to remember that everyone copes with change and stress in different ways. We've got some hints and tips you might find helpful. Log onto: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-support-children-families-parents>

## GOLDS!

**Nursery** Moyasore- Staying connected and sending in her lovely video. Great work, independently saying number to 20.

**Reception** Tiana - For helping all the others this week. Well done!

**Year 1** Kwame -For receiving a silver certificate on Mathletics. Well done for all the hard during home learning. Keep it up!

**Year 2** Dominik -For incredible effort and participation on TT Rockstars and Bug Club.

**Year 3** Izzy -For logging on to Bug Club and Mathletics everyday this week and achieving amazing results in both. You are a superstar. Keep it up!!

**Year 4 - O** Sam - Well done for completing 6 lessons on reading plus. Reading over 8,000 words.

**Year 4—H** Jack - For being awarded a bronze award on Mathletics.

**Year 5 - S** Chelsie - For accessing most of the learning platforms.

**Year 5 - E** Benas - For being committed to practising his times tables on TT Rockstars and earning the most points!

**Year 6 - H** Lilianna - For her incredible effort on Reading Plus. She has read over 40,000 words. Keep it up Lilianna!

**Year 6 - N**

Kyra'Lea - For her great participation on all the on-line learning platforms this week and achieving great results