



Gainsborough Primary School Sky Group Newsletter

Reading Logs, Homework and Reminders

- **Reading Logs**—Children are required to change their books at least once a week. Please support your child with reading at home and sign their reading logs.
- **Homework**—Homework is handed out each week on a Friday and must be returned to school by **Tuesday**. For their homework, children are given:
 - Spellings
 - Maths, where they are required to complete the assigned Mathematics unit
 - Writing

Spanish and PE

- **Spanish**—In Spanish this term, we will be learning our Face and Body Parts. By the end of term we will know how to sing the 'heads, shoulders, knees and toes' song in Español!
- **PE**—In PE this term we focusing on Dance, Gymnastics and Yoga.



Reminder: PE is on Friday. Children must come to school in their PE kit on Friday.

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Sky Group,

Welcome to Autumn Term 2! We hope you had a fantastic Half Term.

The children in Sky Group made great progress last term and we are looking forward to seeing them blossom this term. There will be lots of fun and engaging activities that the children will enjoy.

Adults Working in Year

Skylarks—Miss Serkan and Miss Simpson

Our Campaign this half term is

Keep Giving (Toys)

This term is all about giving. Linking to our topic, we are going to learn about toys from the past and present. We are going to be designing and creating our own toys to gift to a family member, to uphold the value of keep giving!



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**

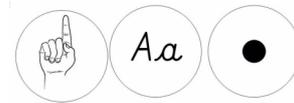
Reading

- In Sky Group, we use the RWI programme to support reading.
- 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 read.
- Children can also access **Bug Club**. The username will be the first 4 letters of their first name followed immediately by the first 4 letters of their surname. All the log-in information can be found at the back of your child's homework book. If you have difficulties logging on, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Serkan.

Writing

In writing this term we will be focusing on a range of writing styles:

- We will be using Dogger by Shirley Hughes to inspire our story writing.
- Instructions—we will be writing Instructions on how to make a jam sandwich!
- Information Text: we will be writing an information text about old and new toys.



RE and Values

In Values the children will be thinking about how we can give to others.

We will be talking about generosity and learning how the Jewish and Christian faiths celebrate.

Art

Our topic this term is all about toys! We will be looking at similarities and differences between toys from the past and now. Children will also be looking at how games have changed over time. They will also have a chance to play with toys from the past and make their own toys.



Maths

In maths this half term we are covering

- **Place Value**—recognising numbers within 10 and 20. Writing our numbers in words.
- **Addition and subtraction**—adding and taking away using various strategies and knowledge of number bonds.
- **Geometry/ Shapes**—Recognise and name common 2D and 3D shapes and the different features.

Please practice counting 2's, 5's and 10's at home with your child. The weekly maths homework covers everything that we have learnt in maths that week.



ICT

- We will be using various ICT programmes to assist in our learning.
- We will code and create our own games using Espresso Coding.
- We will also start to use google classroom. Children have been given log ins which are stuck in the back of their homework book.
- If you have access to Word programmes at home, please do use with your child to speed/improve typing skills.

