

PE

PE lessons this half term will focus on multi-sports and the development of PE skills.

Class PE days:

Wednesday

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on Wednesdays.

Rights Respecting Schools

We are a Rights Respecting School, which means we place the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of our ethos and curriculum. This half term we are focusing on:

Article 2 The convention applies to every child without discrimination.

Article 12 Every child has the right to be heard.

Reading Logs and Homework

Homework is handed out each week on a **Friday** and must be returned to school by **Tuesday**. Children will be given spelling, maths and a piece of literacy

homework. Please remember to read daily with your child at home and encourage your child to summarise what they have read in their reading log (reading logs must be brought to school every day).

Books will be changed every week; if your child needs to change their book more frequently, please remind them to speak to their class teacher.

Attendance and Punctuality

This year the children in Year 1 are aiming for 100% attendance. School is open to children from 8:45am. The children can come into class and complete an activity, ensuring that they are on time and ready for the start of lessons at 9am.

Gainsborough Primary School Year 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Gainsborough Owls!

We hope you had a wonderful time during your summer holiday.

Year 1 have made a fantastic start to this new school year and are adjusting to the changes very well. We are really looking forward to all our new learning opportunities over the coming year!

Adults Working in Year 1

Miss Dillon—Class Teacher

Miss Thomas—Teaching Assistant

Our Campaign

How can we make our school a happy place?

Year One will be thinking about what it takes to make a school a happy place.

They will design and create a box where children can leave daily kind comments, acts and positivity for others to enjoy.

Gainsborough Keeps

Excellence in learning. Always striving.

Keep Kind

Keep Green

Keep Healthy

Keep Connected

Keep Safe

Keep Giving

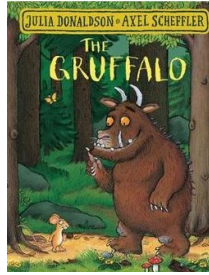


This half term we are focusing on Keep Kind. The children will think about ways to show kindness to others; developing their skills of showing consideration, giving compliments and donating to charitable causes.

Writing

This term we will start by learning the story of 'The Gruffalo' by Julia Donaldson and writing our own stories based on the book.

The main focus this term will be on writing sentences by saying them aloud first, then writing them using capital letters, full stops, and finger spaces.



Reading

- This half term we will be enjoying the story "The Gruffalo's child" by Julia Donaldson as our class reader.
- We will be practising our summarising skills by regularly completing summaries in our learning logs.
- To support your child at home, please read with them every day.
- Children can access Bug Club at home. The username will be the first 4 letters of their first name followed immediately by the first 4 letters of their surname.
- Reading lessons will continue to focus on answering a range of question types, based on the book that they are reading.

Maths

This year we will follow the White Rose Maths scheme alongside Primary Advantage Maths. This half term we will be covering:

Place Value: We will learn to read and write numbers to 100 in numerals (and 1-20 in words), as well as identify one more/less than a given number within 100.

Addition and subtraction: We will add and subtract 1 and 2 digit numbers using the numbers 0-20. We will also represent and use number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20.

Please continue to support your child's learning at home by practising at home. The website below has some fantastic maths games to support our learning in school:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7->

Topic

This half term we will be basing our learning around:

All About Me

The children will be talking and listening carefully to others about their homes, families, friends, and the local area. In History, we will be making personal timelines as well as looking at Hackney in the past. In Geography we will explore our local area in the relation to the rest of the world as well as discussing where our families are from.



Art, Computing, Music and Spanish

Art: The children will create their own self-portraits based on the work of Roy Lichtenstein.

Computing: We will use Espresso Coding to write our first piece of code.

Music: The children will be learning to sing using a platform called Charanga.

Spanish: The focus for the half term will be 'Introductions and Feelings'. The children will learn how to say hello and describe how they feel.

Science

The focus of our Science lessons this half term will be:

Animals Including Humans

We will learn the names of a variety of human body parts and their functions. After we have learnt about our own bodies we will look at many different animals and compare them. As well as looking at the physical similarities and differences of a range of animals, children will compare their habitats and diets too.

