

Gainsborough Primary School Year 5 Class Newsletter

Adults Working in Year

Class Teacher- Mr Carter Teaching Assistant- Ms Bilgetay Teaching Assistant- Mr Alexander

Dates for your Diary

Mon 12th- Fri 16th HALF TERM

Mon 19th Feb Return to School

Mon 19th Feb WAHM's clinician in school

Wed 21st Feb Year 5 6 Football Boys and Girls comp

Fri 23rd Feb Year 5 Ice Skating reward trip

Fri 23rd Feb Valentine's Disco 5-7pm

Mon 26th Feb Y4 and 5 Apollo workshops in school

Tues 27th Feb Y5 and 6 Football, boys and girls

Fri 1st Mar Y5 Family Sharing Assembly, 3.10pm

Mon 4th Mar WAHM's Clinician

Fri 8th Mar World Book Day!

Mon 11th Mar Science Week!

Tues 12th Mar Parent's Evening, 3.45-7pm

Weds 12th Mar Parent's Evening, 3.45-5pm

Fri 15th Mar Red Nose Day

Fri 15th Mar Parent's in Class, 2.45pm

Mon 18th Mar Y4 and 5 Apollo in school

Mon 18th Mar WAHM's Clinician in school

Fri 22nd Mar Y5 trip to the Royal Observatory

Thurs 28th Mar Gainsborough Has Got Talent 5-7pm

Fri 29th Mar Bank Holiday

Easter Holiday Fri 29th Mar to Fri 12th April

Mon 8th - Fri 12th Mar Easter Camp Years 1 -6

Mon 15th April Return to School

<u>Writing</u>

Our writing units this half term are based around the topic of Space. Children will work on



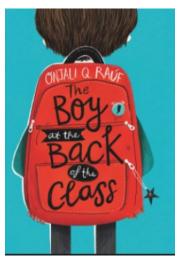
their writing skills through a diary recount about the work of an astronaut, an explanation text about life in space and newspaper report (apostrophes in contractions, colons in lists and relative clauses).

Reading

In Reading this term, the children will be focusing on honing their reading skills, including practice in summarising, comparing texts and observing themes in the context of fiction and non-fiction texts. Our main texts will be a non-fiction text called "Life in Space" and "The Boy at the Back of the Class"

World Book Day

We are celebrating World Books Day on Friday 8th March Children can come in dressed as their favourite character from a book, preferably from their class author.



Geography

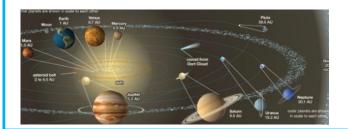
Our Geography topic this term will be the futuristic Akon City of Senegal. The children will be learning all about the climate, economy and future of this fascinating West African country and its progress.

ICT

This half term in ICT, the children will be learning about types of databases, how data can be represented in a computer database and how to use databases to collect, log and interpret information.

Science

This term in Science, the children will be investigating the planets and satellites in our solar system, including the eight planets, the sun, earth and our moon. They will develop a knowledge of spherical bodies, their movement around the solar system and the concept of night and day. The children will also being taking a trip to the Greenwich Observatory and visiting the planetarium to enrich their understanding of the



Gainsborough Keeps Campaign

Our campaign focus this half term will be attempting to answer the question, "How can we help boys and girls to have the same rights?". The children will be learning how to raise awareness of gender equality in our own and other countries. They will have the opportunity to create a leaflet for

International Women's day and organise a survey about gender equality throughout the school.

PF

This half term in PE, the children will be learning about

Football and Gymnastics.

Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit on these days.

Class PE days: Thursday

RE

This half term in RE, the children will be learning about importance of the Seder Plate in Judaism and what this can tell us about the past. The children will be learning about the specific items on the plate and what they represent for Jewish people and their history.

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

Art and Design and DT

This half term in Art, the children will be using their drawing and painting skills to create representations of the planets in our solar system.

Maths

In Maths, the children will be focusing on factors, multiples and prime numbers. Using a range of contexts, they will build an understanding of volume's connection to squared and cubed numbers and use this to solve a variety of maths problems.

Please support your child's learning at home by continuing to practice their times tables using Times Table

Rockstars and complete tasks set on Mathletics using the following websites. The username and password will be found on the inside cover of the homework book.

https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/ student





This half term in PSHE, the children will be learning about the health risks of smoking,

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vaping and al-

cohol. They'll understand their effects, emergency procedures and the media's impact on body image and food attitudes. Goals will include: resisting peer pressure, making informed health decisions and fostering self-respect.