

GUSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Low Staff Numbers

As you are aware the number of COVID cases is increasing across the school. Reported cases are not only with pupils but with staff too. We currently have seven members of staff absent, which in a small school has a huge impact.

The team have been amazing at stepping up and covering colleagues teaching commitments, duties, cleaning, admin etc. However, we have already had to postpone celebration assemblies which has been really disappointing.

Please can I ask that you are mindful of the wellbeing of staff and their families in what is a very challenging environment to work in at the moment. Please do not send your child into school if they are unwell, keep to the national isolation guidance and continue to test routinely, daily if possible.

As ever, we will continue to do all we can to offer face to face provision, however, if cases amongst staff continue to rise, we may well have to consider temporary class closures. This will be a last resort.

Thank you.

Attending School

Following on from my letter on Tuesday, I want to clarify the guidance and policies around pupils being unwell.

In line with National guidance please do not send your child to school if they have any of the symptoms of Covid:

- Temperature of 37.8 or above
- New or continuous cough
- Loss or change to sense of smell or taste

If they have been sent home with a temperature, please ensure they get a PCR test if a LFT result is negative. If a PCR result is inconclusive, which does happen with younger children, a second PCR test must be taken.

Usual school policies around illness continue to apply. If children are not well enough to attend school, then they should be kept at home, even if they have a negative LFT. If children have suffered diarrhoea or vomiting, they need to be absent from school for 48 hours from the last bout of diarrhoea or vomiting.

Due to the advised measures in school to keep the school community safe, classrooms are well ventilated and can be cold. Please provide children with an additional layer (gilet, hoodie) that they can wear in class.

Thank you once again for your continued cooperation.

Stay safe.

Happy Birthday to:

Destan, Aaron, Shaphalta, Chloe & Ella

we hope you have a wonderful day!

2021/2022

TERM 3

Week 5

Monday 31st January Stingrays Class Forest School 3—4pm Y1 & Y2 Ball Skills Club

<u>Tuesday O1st February</u> 3—4pm KS2 Basket Ball Club 3-4pm Gurkha Cultural Club

Wednesday O2nd February 3—4pm KS1 & KS2 Gymnastics Club 6–7pm Karate Club – Cancelled

Thursday O3rd February 3—4pm KS2 Netball Club

Friday 4th February

Week 6

Monday 7th February Startish & Seahorses Forest School 3—4pm Y1 & Y2 Ball Skills Club

<u>Tuesday 8th February</u> 3—4pm KS2 Basket Ball Club 3–4pm Gurkha Cultural Club

Wednesday 9th February 3—4pm KS1 & KS2 Gymnastics Club 6–7pm Karate Club

<u>Thursday 10th February</u> 3—4pm KS2 Netball Club

Friday 11th February

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SUPERSTARS! Our Superstars this week are:

Rowan, Lacey-Mae, Sapphire, Joshua B, Jovian, Joy, Rayaan, Marley, Avin, Amaya, Aaryash, Lucy, Neehara, Bianka, Ayaan, Sharon, Kyle, Reggie, Airyne, Suhana, Aisha, Brenden, Solomon, Oliver, Yaran, Norin, Charlie, Arnav, Ningsam, Sachin, Nerissa & Jason

CONGATULATIONS!

Well done all of you



Writer of <u>last</u> week

The nominations this week are: Yaran, Nibish, Harvey, Joseph, Avin, Jocelyn & Marley

The winner is: Joseph

Well Done!

Writer of this week

The nominations this week are: Destan, Jason, Neehara, Oceana, Jude, Lucy & Maggie and Rian & Orion

The winner is: Lucy & Maggie

Well Done!



HOUSE POINTS FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS

THE RESULTS:

CONNAUGHT: 319
REDOUBT: 305
KEARSNEY: 207
BURGOYNE: 204

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