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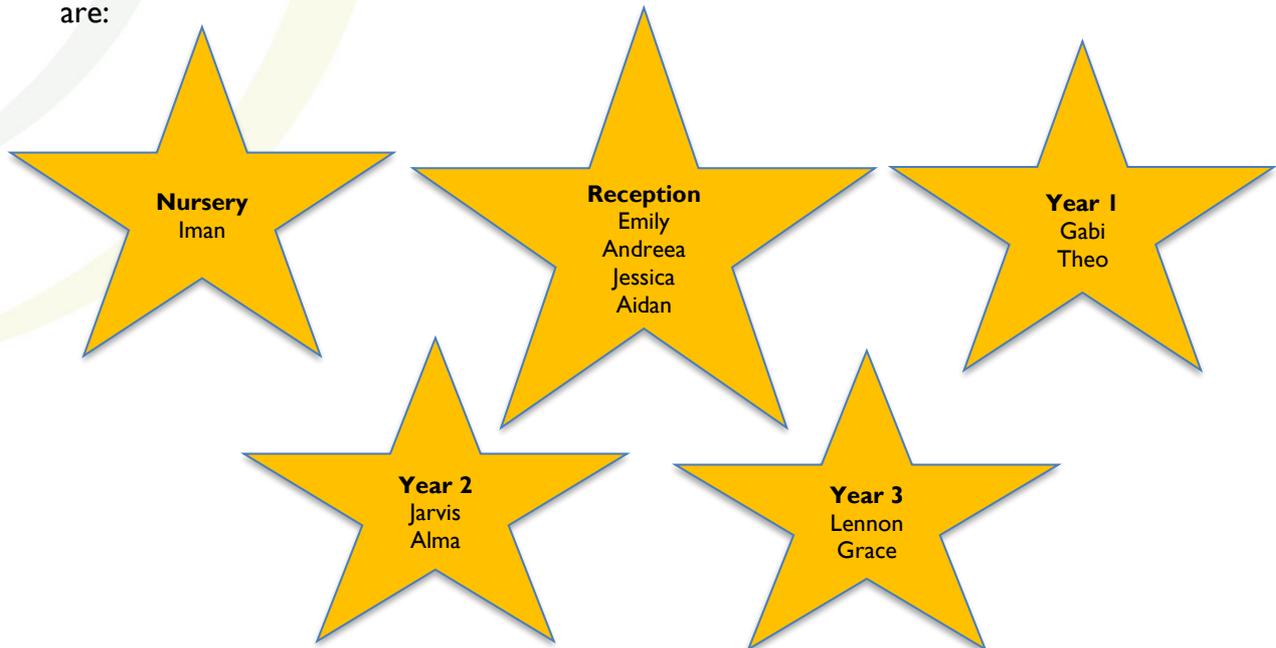
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Dear Parent/ Carer,

This week has brought so much learning, laughter and love at Gagle Brook. It started with children showing thanks and appreciation for the staff across the school on World Teacher's Day, a whole school art afternoon on Wednesday with a focus on our One Planet Principle, Sustainable Transport and ended with a day filled with yellow to recognise and support children's Mental Health. The children, as always, have made us very proud and have shown a real interest in new learning by asking questions and wanting to find out more.

### Achievements at Gagle Brook

This morning we had our weekly 'We are proud' assembly and our stars this week are:



We were wowed by the children's achievements and there were some very proud faces when standing at the front of the assembly hall. I joined our stars on the 'Golden Table' at lunchtime this week and had a wonderful time.

Our winning house is '**Silver Birch House**' house with **87 points!** A huge hip, hip hooray is coming your way! Our attendance winners this week are **Gosling and Swan class (Nursery and Year 1)** with **100%**. A big well done to everyone!

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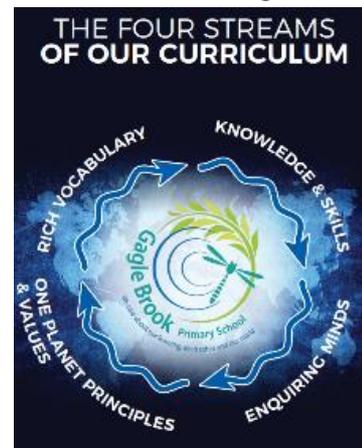
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## Our Gagle Brook Curriculum Intent

Our website has been updated over the summer and has a whole section on our broad and balanced, enquiry led curriculum which is engaging your child and inspiring them to learn and remember new and wonderful things across all subject areas. Our curriculum intent flows through our curriculum planning and involves four main streams unique to Gagle Brook. We intend to support your child to learn through the use of:

- ✓ **Enquiring Minds** (rich opportunities to support and challenge thinking and questioning)
- ✓ **Knowledge and Skills** (sequenced knowledge and skills so learning builds on prior learning and supports your child in remembering more)
- ✓ **Rich Vocabulary** (a text led curriculum which supports children in learning and applying new vocabulary)
- ✓ **One Planet Principles and Values** (these flow through the whole curriculum and support children in their attitudes to learning and supporting the environment around us)



## Reading

We are so lucky to have an amazing library space at Gagle Brook which we are working hard to fill with high quality texts for the children to enjoy. Reading is at the heart of our curriculum and it has been wonderful to see so many children visiting to collect stickers and prizes for their 15 or 30 reads at home. Please remember to continue to encourage your child to read each night and record any reads that children do at home in their diary so their teachers can stamp them.

## FROGs Autumn Disco – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October - 3.15pm-4.15pm

Tickets are still on sale for our first Gagle Brook Autumn Disco. Staff and parents are excited to host this event and are looking forward to a good old boogie with the children! Please note, nursery and reception children will receive a 'goodie bag' as part of their ticket price. Years 1-3 will be able to bring money (a maximum of £2) to spend at our 'tuck shop' and 'glow toy shop'. Please can spending money (Y1,2,3 children) be put in a named envelope or purse and handed directly to the teachers at the beginning of the day so it is kept safely in the school office. Children with tickets will be taken straight to their disco from school by their teacher and will need collecting from their classroom door at 4.15pm, where teachers and staff will see them out safely. Children will be able to wear party clothes to school on this day to save them getting changed (please note children will not need to be in PE clothes on this day).

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### **Craze of the Week**

The children continue to love playing badminton at playtimes and have developed their hand eye coordination greatly and the value of team work and determination, however it is time for a brand new craze of the week... the game of noughts and crosses. The options to play will be endless with chalk, clipboards and notebooks! I wonder whether your child will challenge you to a game at home too!

### **Dragonflies**

Dragonflies, our breakfast and after school wrap around care, is bursting with fun and opportunities ready for your children. If you would like to sign your child up, please use the form that can be collected from the school office, or catch up with Miss Hopkin for further information.

### **Upcoming diary dates...**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October-** Digital Parenting Week 2021

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October** World Sight Day

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** Gagle Brook Autumn Disco (Nursery and Reception/ Year 1,2,3) 3.15pm-4.15pm.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October** World Values Day and Career Dress Up Day

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October** 'Our Learning Showcase' for all parents 2pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** End of Term

*Further information to follow about events*

Have a peaceful weekend,

With best wishes,

Emily Holloway and the Gagle Brook Team

