



Down Stream

Newsletter 10 – 24th April '19

Dear Parent / Carer

Value of the Term: Co-operation

The act of working together with someone or doing what they ask you.



Great discoveries and improvements invariably involve the cooperation of many minds.

Alexander Graham Bell

Building Co-operative Children

Cooperation is vital not only to a happy, successful life but also to a more peaceful and harmonious world. Cooperation requires children to solve conflicts and exercise a certain amount of self-control and empathy - often letting go of something they want for the good of the group. Building this kind of team spirit begins in the family, where children learn how good it feels when everyone works together.

When children get into a dispute, parents (and teachers!) often want to jump in and solve the problem. But children learn more by solving disagreements themselves than when we take over. Help them control their impulses by having them take a few breaths before they say or do anything. Encourage verbal problem-solving, pointing out, "How do you think that makes her feel?" and "Can you think of some ways to work this out?" Show children how to use "I messages" to tell their friends what's bothering them. Instead of "You're stupid," they could say, "I feel mad when you take my toy." Use "I messages" yourself as a way to express your feelings without blaming or attacking.

SUN SAFETY

Please help us combat skin cancer by teaching the children these five ways to protect themselves. We are more than happy to help your child administer sun screen during the day – we will keep labelled bottles on shelves above the sink.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GBPS ...

Our Big Question is: **Can I have a dog yet?** and our value is: **Co-operation**

Week beginning	24 th April '19	4 th Mar. '19	11 th Mar, '19	18 th Mar. '19	25 th Mar. '19
Line of enquiry	Pets 	Animals 	Vets 	The Farm 	The Zoo 
Jigsaw weekly theme	My family and me?	Make friends, make friends, never ever break friends!	Make friends, make friends, never ever break friends!	Falling out and bullying	Being the best friend, we can be

One Planet Focus for Term 5



Special Dates

Monday 29th April
Monday 6th May

Monday 13th May

Wednesday 15th May

Thursday 16th May

Friday 17th May

Thursday 23rd May

Gosling visit to Bicester Library

Early May Bank Holiday

The start of Ramadan

Eggs arrive ready for hatching

Ducklings visit to Bicester Library

8:45am IMPACT sessions for Goslings parents

School governor learning walk

Educational visit to the Ashmolean

Visits to our Forest School begin

Outdoor Classroom Day



May Day

The first day of the month of May is known as **May Day**. It is the time of year when warmer weather begins, and flowers and trees start to blossom. It is said to be a time of love and romance. It is when people celebrate the coming of summer with lots of different customs that are expressions of joy and hope after a long winter. copyright of protectbritain.com
Traditional English May Day celebrations include Morris dancing, crowning a May Queen and dancing around a Maypole.



Ramadan

Muslims around the world, including in the United Kingdom, celebrate Ramadan by fasting during daylight hours, praying, reciting the Quran, and by giving to charity. The traditions associated with Ramadan are most visible in the country's many mosques and in predominantly Muslim neighbourhoods, such as Edgware Road in London.

School Attendance from 4th September 2018

Nursery - Ducklings 92.77% 3.03% below the national average

Reception - Goslings 94.72% 1.08% below the national average

Our attendance figures continue to decline so **please** do all that you can to ensure that your child attends every session. We are aiming to exceed the national average attendance of 95.8% (revised April '19) by the end of term 5.

If your child is absent because they are unwell, please let the school office know by email

admin@gaglebrook.org.uk or telephone: 01869 228750

IMPACT Session for GOSLING PARENTS

The Impact Maths for reception parents will run on **Wednesday 15th May from 8:45am until 9:45am.**

Please remember that these workshops are non-negotiable for parents and carers of the reception children. If you are unable to attend – please send another significant adult for your child to work alongside.

Year 1 – Class Name

We need your help! Our new Year 1 class needs a name for September. Following our Water Birds theme, the final nominees are Kingfisher, Sand Piper and Swans. A voting box will be available from next week so please ask your children to cast their votes!



Common Sandpiper



Kingfisher



Swan

2018 TERM DATES (repeat)

Term 5	24 April -	24 May
May holiday	27 May-	03 June
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>03 June</i>	
Term 6	04 June -	23 July
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>08 July</i>	
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>24 July</i>	

2019/2020 TERM DATES

<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>03 September (Tuesday)</i>	
Term 1	04 September -	25 October
October holiday	27 October -	1 November
Term 2	03 November -	19 December (Thursday)
Christmas holiday	20 December -	06 January
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>06 January</i>	
Term 3	07 January -	14 February
February holiday	17 February	21 February
Term 4	24 February -	03 April
Easter holiday	06 April	20 April
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>20 April</i>	

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May holiday	25 May-	01 June
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>01 June</i>	
Term 6	02 June -	21 July (Tuesday)
<i>Staff Training Day</i>	<i>06 July</i>	

Mr Alan Derry

On behalf of the Gagle Brook Primary School Team

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