

Gilberdyke Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 17th September 2021



Dear Parents and Carers



What a focussed, exciting start to the new academic year! Learning has erupted everywhere!! The children have come back completely settled having already met their new class, classroom and teacher before the summer holiday – it's been an incredibly 'normal' start to the year and we have LOVED taking advantage of going on trips, mixing at breaks/lunchtimes more and having some assemblies in the hall in slightly larger groups. What a credit your children are!

Celebrating the Children's Success



A celebration of the children's work will be shared via Twitter every week from now on (usually every Friday). Teachers will upload a short video onto our @Gilberdykerocks twitter account, talking about their class and workers of the week so please check these out every week.

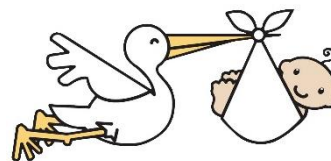


We will review this at October half term in relation to the COVID situation at that time, with a view to restarting our weekly celebration assembly where parents are invited to attend and share in their child's successes in November.

News!

Your child may have already passed on the great news that Miss Thompson is expecting her first baby!

She will be going on maternity leave in the spring term and I know that you will wish her and Jon, her partner, all the best for the next chapter of their family life together.



PE kit and new hoodies for PE days

PE kit can be worn for the whole day on whichever days your child has these lessons. Please ensure that they are well prepared in the following kit:

- **Black/dark blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms/leggings/joggers**
- **A t-shirt in their house colour** – branded versions can be purchased from the uniform shop or a plain one in the correct colour is absolutely fine
- **School jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt/hoodie in royal blue**

The uniform shop are expected to drop off a sample of our new royal blue PE hoodie next week. These are priced at £12.99 but are not compulsory (cheaper alternatives can often be found in supermarkets). I will show the children as soon as it arrives and then have it available for parents to see before purchasing one if you would like.

MacMillan Cake Away



Whilst, sadly, we cannot host our usual MacMillan Coffee morning this month, we will still fulfil our duty as respectful citizens with a MacMillan Cake Away! At the end of the school day on Monday 27th September.

More information to follow but your support with baking and producing amazing baked goods will be much appreciated.



CHILDREN WHO CAN! Extra-curricular club

Please see the separate flyer regarding the *Children Who Can* after school club opportunity which promises engaging, exciting and new opportunities for your child.

Children Who Can is a locally run business and we are keen to see it succeed as a well-run, varied and creative opportunity to broaden your child's experiences.



Year Six transition to Howden Secondary

Our year 6 pupils had a visit from Howden Secondary School yesterday and will have come home with a letter which includes information about booking a slot to attend an open evening.

Please take this opportunity to sign up and take your child to visit; COVID has meant that this has not been able to happen in recent years making it even more important to take advantage now!

Spanish Club with Claire Barber

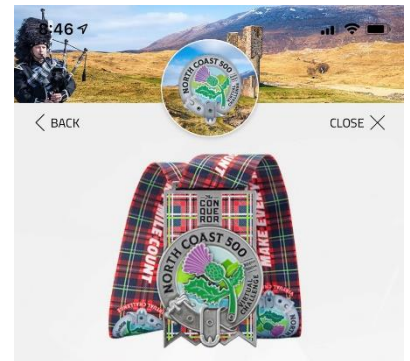
Our previously popular Spanish club has relaunched with the wonderful Claire Barber who offers a quality service and engaging club for all primary ages. Her methods of teaching young people a new language are interactive, practical and fun! Please contact Claire if you are interested on [facebook.com/superlingoUK](https://www.facebook.com/superlingoUK) text/call on 07468 320374 or take a look at the website www.superlingo.co.uk



Amazing Alex!

Alex had an amazing summer and achieved something phenomenal!!!!

He set out to complete the North Coast 500 – a challenge which involved walking 500 miles (he is 6 years old!!!) over the 6 week holiday, whilst raising money in the process to support the development of our outdoor area at school.



Not only did he complete it, but he did it with such enthusiasm!!!! He was the one who often motivated his family to get moving when they were tired and, as a result of this young man's dedication, has raised over £600 for our school.

We are so proud of him, his achievement and the wonderful contribution he has made to our school. A huge well done Alex; we're so proud of you!

Casual General Kitchen Assistant

The HCAT Catering Team are currently looking for Casual General Kitchen Assistants to be based at our school kitchens situated in Hull And East Riding. There will be various casual posts with hours to be agreed. If you are interested please contact the school office.

We hope your children have been coming home with the same enthusiasm we are seeing in school – they have been highly engaged and an absolute delight.

Enjoy the weekend.

Melissa Shirley

Headteacher