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Gorse Hill Primary School

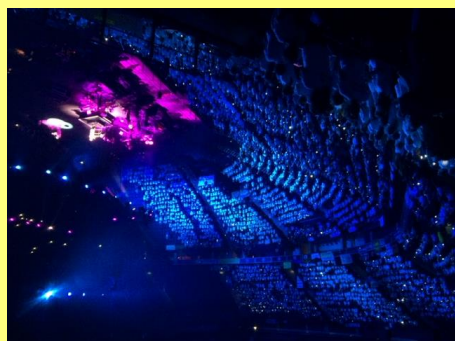
Newsletter week ending 9th February

Half Term Holiday

It is hard to believe that it is the half-term holiday already. Children have been very busy this half term learning lots of exciting things. Please keep up-to-date with what is happening in school through the individual class blogs which can be found on our website.

Young Voices

Some pupils from Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 took part in the annual Young Voices singing concert which was held at Manchester Arena. It was a fantastic event! The choir was made up of over 5000 children from the North West singing a range of songs around the theme of, 'Togetherness'.



Disco

The half-term disco was a huge success! The children had a great time and the event raised money for much needed school funds. Thank-you for your support with these events.



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SPORTS NEWS

It has been an extremely busy half term for our Sports Teams with our Dancers, Gymnasts, Footballers, Lacrosse players and Athletes all doing the school proud. We even have an infant gymnastics team now! Our girls' football A team made it all the way to the final in The MUFC Foundation Tournament where they were narrowly beaten 1-0 by St Hilda's. Shanai's goalkeeping heroics earned her the player of the tournament medal.

Our boys also came second in their tournament at The Cliff. The leagues start again next half term as well as the Skittleball Finals at Stretford Leisure Centre and our Girls Futsal team will be in action at the Trafford Powerleague.

We have been asked by The Manchester Marathon if any Parents would like to set up a Gorse Hill School Zone along the route to cheer on the runners, and join in for a 'Family Mile'. This is on Sunday 8th April. Please get in touch with Mrs Rodda or Mr O'Neill if you would like to be involved.

As part of our Partnership with LCCC any children in Years 3-6 are welcome to attend Wicketz (free cricket coaching at Old Trafford Sports Barn) on Saturday mornings, see attached flyer for details.

Brooklands Lacrosse Club who teach Lacrosse to our Junior children have a holiday camp next week on 12th and 13th February 10am-3pm at Brooklands Sports Club, Whitehall Rd, Sale, M33 3NL. For more details please ring Alison on 0777 361 4134





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Attendance Awards w/e



Punctuality w/e



Please ensure that your children arrive into school on time. Let's get the figures down next week!

Greetings from the Governors!

I hope some of you managed to view the plans for the extension to our school. We are all very excited, despite the fact that there will inevitably be some disruption whilst the work takes place. Mrs. Bates was pleased with the turn out, particularly of our local Councillors, David Acton and Laurence Walsh. Thanks go to Laurence who spoke to the local residents to get their opinions.

I would like to introduce you to Caroline Wade, who is the Vice Chair of Governors. Caroline is a Project Manager with interests in hiking, floristry and theatre, as well as having a young daughter. In the past Caroline has been instrumental in recruitment of senior staff, is extremely knowledgeable about personnel issues as well as being our lead governor to monitor Literacy throughout the school. Busy lady!



I attended the Young Voices Concert at the Arena in January and was very proud to see the Gorse Hill banner flying high! The event was fantastic! The choir of children sang a range of songs from super hero themes to a Stevie Wonder medley. There was Beat Boxing and Street Dancing as well, so it was like being at a pop concert! Thanks to Year 6, Mrs Rodda and all staff for working so hard to make this an event to remember!

Liz Williams, Chair of Governors

Dates for your Diary

February

- 9th- Half-term
- 19th- INSET- School closed
- 20th- School reopens
- 21st- Y4 Ancient Egyptian Workshop
- 22nd- Y1 Trip- The Beetle's Story
- 22nd- KS2 SATs meeting 3:15pm and 4:30pm
- 28th- KS1 SATs meeting 2:30pm and 4:30pm

March

- 1st- World Book Day
- 1st- Reading Breakfast 9am
- 1st- Cbeebies casting R and Y1
- 14th- Steve Skidmore author workshop
- 15th- Y1 Phonics screening meeting 2:30pm
- 22nd- Class 10 Linking School visit
- 22nd- Y2 Learning assembly 2:30pm
- 28th Y3 Learning assembly 2:30pm
- 28th- Parents' Evening
- 29th- School Closes

April

- 10th- School reopens 8:50am
- 11th- 13th- Y5 Robin Wood Residential

