

Dear Parents,

Our first couple of weeks back have been wonderful. The children have once again returned with so much energy and enthusiasm. We hope our new YR children have had a wonderful first week at GTPS, they already seem at home in their new surroundings.

I hope you have had the opportunity to review the Autumn term curriculum letter for your year group(s). This lets you know what topics the children are covering this term and any important dates coming up. Remember each Friday either the Newsletter or Diary Dates will also keep you updated.

Thank you for your support with ensuring the children are correctly dressed for school in accordance with our Uniform Policy.

The September weather has been a little unpredictable, but the forecast looks to be much brighter. Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards, Sarah Vass, Headteacher

Week starting Monday 18th September 2024:

Autumn Menu - Week 3



Work in Progress!

We thought you may want to see a sneak peak of the building works.

Thank you for your patience while the works are ongoing, they are still on track for an October completion and we look forward being able to utilise this fantastic new KS1 learning space and sharing more images shortly.

Diary Dates:

W/c 16th September - Autumn term clubs begin

23rd to 27th September - Y6 Kingswood Residential

26th and 27th September - Y5 First Aid

8th October & 9th October - Y5 Daws Hall Visits

9th October - Y1 Outdoor Learning

14th October - Individual and Sibling Photographs

15th October - Y4 Colchester Zoo Visit

17th October - Y2 Call of the Wild Visit

23rd & 24th October - Parents Evenings (further information and appointment booking link to follow shortly)

28th October to 1st November - HALF TERM

31st October - Closing date for secondary school applications for current Y6 (school place in Year 7 from September 2025)

4th November - INSET day

5th November - Flu Immunisations (further information and online consent forms to follow shortly)

Further important dates for your diary to be added shortly.

Y4 School Trip to Combined Services Museum in Maldon

'I loved our school trip. We learnt what foods were rationed in WWII, how to decode secret messages and that some spies had poison dart blowpipes. It was fascinating to hear about six kayak boats that were sent on a mission to invade a French harbour (occupied by the Germans). Only 2 men survived the mission and returned to the UK. Overall, it was a really fun trip and I would definitely go again.'

Henry B – Y4, now Y5 (this trip took place just before the Summer break)

