



GIFFORD GAZETTE

14th September 2018

Autumn

WELCOME TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

It has been lovely to meet many parents in the playground and at Meet the Teacher sessions over the past two weeks. Thank you for attending the sessions, we have had a really good turnout. I am looking forward to working together with parents, teachers and children to achieve the very best for all our Gifford children in the coming years. The children have settled in extremely well and are looking really smart in their uniforms. We have a very busy and interesting term planned.

Thank you for your support regarding the gates, I think we have finally sorted out the system. Years 2-6 go into the playground at 8:30am, supervised, and then walk into class at 8:40am. Year 1 enter the school via the studio hall. Reception gate opens at 8:40am and children go straight into class.



Sarah Wilson
Headteacher

ATTENDANCE - 97% CLUB

It is very important that children attend school every day. Help your child achieve attendance of 97% or above and they will enjoy a movie treat on the last day of half-term. All children in Years 1-6 can be in the '97% Club' Children can start afresh after each half-term, giving them a chance to improve their attendance and enjoy a treat!



STUDENT OF THE YEAR

At the end of the summer term Natalie 6R, was presented with the student of the year award. The student of the year award is given to students who make an enormous contribution to the life of the school and who excel at all subjects across the curriculum. We wish Natalie, together with all our Year 6 pupils, who have just left Gifford, every success in their new high schools. Natalie is pictured with her mum and sister (a former Gifford pupil).



UNIFORM

Our school uniform can be purchased online via the Tesco website, www.tesco.com/direct/ues. You can also access the Tesco website via the link on the Gifford App and website; just click on the link and this will take you directly to the uniform page where you can purchase the items you require. Please note that we still currently have some uniform stock available to purchase from the school office. However, once this has sold out we will no longer stock any school uniform.



PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Due to health and safety regulations children are not permitted to use any of the play equipment in the playground before or after school. The playground is not supervised by school staff outside school hours.

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (ESOL)

Assessments for any parents who would like to be accepted on an English Language Course will be held at Gifford on Monday 24th September from 9am-11am. Please see Carla Foster for further information.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Pupils are asked to bring in at least one item of non-perishable food over the next week, starting on Monday 17th September - see list attached. All donations will be given to Ealing Food-bank and the class in each year group to bring in the most food will get extra playtime!



MOBILE PHONES



Please note parents are asked not to use mobile phones whilst in the school building.