

Collective Worship Theme this half term = **HONESTY**

Attendance this week is **99.01 %**

13 November
2020

School News

I hope you are finding our newsletters enjoyable and useful. They are our main form of communication with families. This week we have sent a paper copy home with every child. This is a cost to school but for those of you who are not accessing it currently, we hope it gives you a taste of its content. If you would like this to be your preferred method of receiving it, please email school.

Remembrance Service

We had a moving service with Reverend Bridgit at the Gillamoor War Memorial which included two minutes silence and Lucinda playing The Last Post for us on her cornet.

School Calendar

Please find attached our school calendar for 2021-2022.

Parentpay

Please can you ensure Parentpay accounts are in credit at all times. **Currently seventeen parents have accounts in arrears, which total £575.70.** This includes, lunch, swimming, transport and clubs.

Health and Safety

We had a virtual NYCC Health and Safety Inspection of our policies, procedures and assessments. The Inspector was pleased to report we are one of the top schools in the County. We are very health and safety conscious with excellent systems in place for protecting the pupils and staff.

Forest School

The children had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and are looking forward to the next few weeks. If they would like to bring an alternative jumper please pack this and please ensure they have a plastic bag for dirty boots to save on carpets!



@SchoolGillamoor



Gillamoor C
of E Primary



**Winning House
last week was
Ash**

**This week's
winning House
is Oak**

SPORT

Children in Need shared a whole day of being active. Hopefully they will sleep well tonight!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20 Nov Star Gazing

30 Nov Assessment week

1 Dec Non-uniform day

11 Dec Christmas Jumper Day

15 Dec Pantomime

16 Dec Carol Singing

17 Dec Christmas lunch

18 Dec Christmas Party

18 Dec Break up

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Psalms 106:1



PTA News

The AGM was held and Kat Dowsland was voted to remain as Chair with Rachel Gibson as Vice Chair, Jemma Clements as Secretary. Karen Stanley will remain as Treasurer for the time being but we are still looking for someone who could shadow her and then take over. Please contact Kat—katrinaew82@hotmail.com for a no obligation chat.

- Wreaths in various sizes are available to order. Please email Kat
- 1st December - non-uniform day; please bring an item for the PTA to use in the Christmas Hampers. Numbers will be sent home in children’s bags for you to sell. On Friday 27th November.

Parent Support

- Please see attached flier for a session about Dyslexia that is open to all who are interested.
- <https://www.youthsporttrust.org/AfterSchoolSportClub> - an online sports club every-day at 5pm.

Request for boxes!

Please can you send in any small boxes/cereal boxes on Monday 16 November for the infant children to use to make Tudor Houses and a street.

COVID related items and updates

- Children do not need to stay off school if they are not showing one or more of the three symptoms.
- You will have noticed staff are now wearing masks at drop off and pick up, this is to keep you and us safe. Please consider wearing one yourselves at these times.

Clubs

We are really proud of the quality clubs we have on offer each day after school and have been delighted by the responses from children and parents. We also have clubs and leadership group meetings at lunchtimes e.g. Eco Club, Book Group, STEM team.

After school clubs will run to the week commencing 7 December. There will be **no clubs in the last week**, however, if you require wraparound care this can still be accommodated. Breakfast Club will continue as normal until the end of term.

Quotes from parents.

My children love the clubs!

My son can't wait for Animal Club each week.

Staff Training
Child Protection



School Lunches

Week beginning 16 November
pre-ordered sandwiches.

(make sure you have emailed with your child’s choices)

THUNK OF THE WEEK

(A thunk is a question that makes you think; it may or may not have a correct answer but gets the brain cells working!)

Is whistling a form of singing?

Thunks are great for family debates