

Galleywood Infant School

Friday 15th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Just a short newsletter with some reminders and the diary dates for your calendars- attached!

Thank you for offers of help to walk with Year 2 and Year 1 classes to Galleywood Allotments on Tuesday morning. The allotment holders are always very friendly, willing to explain to the children how the different fruits and vegetables are planted, grown and harvested and answering their many questions.

If you, or a family member is able to help please let us know. Year 2 classes will be leaving school at 9:15, returning by 10:45 and Year 1 classes leaving at 10:15 and returning by 11:45. Thank you for your support.



Our welcome meetings take place on Tuesday afternoon, 19th September at 2:30pm. There will be 3 different meetings, welcoming parents to Foundation Stage, to Year One or to Year Two. You will hear about the learning that has been mapped across the year for your child and about some ways to help at home with learning. The presentations will be made available for parents with children in two different year groups, and for those unable to attend. We hope to see as many of you as possible on Tuesday afternoon.

Galleywood Infant Parents Association GIPA, is a very important and valuable part of our school community and has been for many years! Children and families are SO lucky to have the GIPA team, who organise all kinds of fundraising events that are fun for families and at the same time raise really amazing extra funds to benefit all our children. Please commit to join and support GIPA- our school would not be the place it is without them.

The parent group, supported by all of the staff team, plan, organise and run events throughout the year so that children and families have fun, make new friends, and raise funds for a range of projects. Sometimes the funds are directed towards ambitious large-scale items such as the pirate ship, and sometimes to buy books, science equipment or Forest Schools items to make everyday teaching and learning more exciting.

The first meeting for this school year will take place on Wednesday 18th October at school. This will be an opportunity to celebrate the amazing work of the GIPA team last year, to thank them for all they do and to talk about plans for 2023-24. GIPA achieves so much through the ideas, hard work and commitment of lots of people. Please come along, share your ideas, meet some new people, offer to help with one or two events and hear about the projects we have in mind for the forthcoming year. Parents from all year groups are warmly welcomed. A list of GIPA dates will be published very soon- a few dates and times still to be agreed.



GIPA Quiz night on Friday 10th November

Galleyfest on Saturday 6th July 2024