



### Achievement Assembly

Our achievement assembly this week celebrated pupils who have "asked questions". Well done to the following children:

**Reception:** Elsie **Year 1:** Oliver **Year 2:** Sophia  
**Year 3:** Franky **Year 4:** Emmie **Year 5:** Alfie **Year 6:** Marshall



### Celebrating Attendance

Whole school attendance is currently at 96 %  
Well done to Year 4 for best attendance this week at 99%!

### Dates for Diary

- From week 9<sup>th</sup> March - after school clubs run until week 30<sup>th</sup> March
- Break up for Easter: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

### Rights Respecting Article of the month: Article 17



### Summer Term 1 After school clubs

Google form is now available to sign up for clubs after Easter commencing week 27<sup>th</sup> April.  
Tuesday to Thursday clubs will run for four weeks and Monday's KS2 athletics will run for three due to the May bank holiday.

EY & KS1: <https://forms.gle/idNJ4TUK4Hd6HUuV7>

KS2: <https://forms.gle/7YQN7u2Fz6S9Rha9>

*Please ensure payments are made online too or send cash into class in a named envelope with a note as to which club payment is for.*

### Gateshead Council Events

#### **Creative family workshops taking place this spring:**

Enjoy family time this spring with two creative events from our Learning and Skills team, including a Mother's Day pottery session (15 March) and an Easter air-dry clay workshop (9 April). Both events offer fun, hands-on activities for all ages and the chance to make something special together.

<https://intranet.gateshead.gov.uk/article/36637/Creative-family-workshops-with-Learning-and-Skills>

### The Glasshouse Dance Festival





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Dance Festival 2026

We are so proud of our dance group who performed an amazing routine at the Glasshouse this week as part of the Gateshead School Sports Partnership Dance Festival! Well done everyone 🌟

**Routine medical or dental appointments in school hours**

We have seen an increase in numbers of children arriving late or leaving early since January, Routine appointments should be made outside of school time where possible. We understand appointments can often be difficult to navigate due to availability; however, we would ask you to try and plan future appointments during the 13 weeks of school holidays throughout the year. If you need to take your child out of school for a medical or dental appointment which cannot be arranged outside of school hours or during half terms or summer, please notify the school office with the accompanying appointment letter or slip, we would welcome this notification via email please send a screenshot of the appointment and advise what time we can expect your child to be in at the beginning of the day or a time when you will need to collect early during the day.

Please email using the general school address: [portobelloprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:portobelloprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk) Thank you for your support.

**Happy Mouth Primary School art competition.**

We have been involved in helping the NIHR Research team/Public Health Team at Gateshead Council. There were 4 primary schools who chose to enter including us, the panel were ecstatic and impressed with the artwork produced from children from Reception up to Year 6. In total there were 272 entries and the first panel (consisting of Early Year Practitioners) shortlisted 57 children's artworks across Reception to Year 6.

The Practitioners selecting the finalists only knew the schools names, the artwork originated from and had no access to children's names. The panel to choose the winners, consisted of staff from the Gateshead Family Hub and Newcastle University Practitioners too.

They had a difficult time selecting the winners due to the quality of artwork produced, but they finalised their choices resulting in 28 winners. The Research Lead for this project, was not involved in any artwork selection. Dr Johansen was pleased to announce that the following children have won from our school, with each child receiving at £20 voucher. Well done to all our winners.

Reception: 2nd place: Zoey    Year 1: 3rd place: Ellie    Year 2: 1st place: Jessica

Year 3: • 3rd place: Luna • SPHR Fuse Award for Best Oral Health Message: Miles

Year 4: • 2nd place- Hastaaj • 3rd place- Oscar

Year 5: 2nd place: Aishah    Year 6: •    1st place: Maisie • 2nd place: Rose • 3rd place: Olivia





### Summer Term 1 After school clubs

Please review the options for summer clubs commencing week 27<sup>th</sup> April until week commencing the 18<sup>th</sup> of May.

**Eco and Rights Respecting - Year 1 to Year 6 only (No charge)**

<https://forms.gle/vwoKxuKUQgkip8L7>

**Reception, year 1 and year 2**

<https://forms.gle/oEkxTn1ssKwuG2FD6>

**Year 3 to Year 6**

<https://forms.gle/rXY388Ae8pody1ng9>

If your KS2 child attends the Performing arts club on a Thursday, the first session back is week 1, on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Please encourage your child to attend every session from this date onwards...it's not long until showtime, information will be shared school wide soon.

Thank you  
Miss Tindale  
PE Lead

## Stand by Benny Raffle week 30<sup>th</sup> March

Join us for our 2<sup>nd</sup>, Stand up for Benny fundraiser. with the help of "I make things" who have donated 3D Stitch and Grinch characters, these are up for grabs along with some Easter goodies.

Raffle tickets can be bought week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> March at £1 a strip.

1st prize: a 22cm Stitch character along with a large Cadbury chocolate egg, an easter colouring book, bingo game, bubble wand and an easter Rubix cube.

2nd prize: a 15cm Grinch character along with a medium Cadbury chocolate egg, an easter colouring book, bingo game & bubble wand.

Raffle tickets £1 a strip  
Cash can be taken into school  
from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March  
Thank you  
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