



# Gaywood Primary School

Newsletter - 12th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the first newsletter of 2018 and I would like to wish you all a Happy New Year and hope that you had a relaxing Christmas break.

We welcome back Mrs Adams in Year 4 (Jackdaw) and Mrs Dack in Year 1 (Finch), who have been on maternity leave.

I will be holding another meet the Headteacher briefing next half term on Monday 19th March at 9am and 5pm in the school hall. I look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards,

Mr Mindham  
(Headteacher)

### School Matters!

**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

This week's attendance ~ (National Attendance is 96%)

Rec	Robin	97.7%	Wren	96.4%
Y1	Finch	96.9%	Sparrow	98.9%
Y2	Blackbird	99%	Starling	96.2%
Y3	Swallow	90.4%	Swift	95.5%
Y4	Jackdaw	97.4%	Raven	96.7%
Y5	Heron	94.8%	Kingfisher	95.5%
Y6	Kestrel	95.8%	Peregrine	97.1%

### PTA Meeting

Please join us!  
Your voice is important.

#### PTA Meeting

All parents are welcome to attend the PTA meeting at the school on Tuesday 30th January 2018 at 6.30pm.

### Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a **caretaker** and a **121 MSA**. Please see the office for further information and an application form.

Encourage your children to 'think before you post.' Online actions can impact not only yourself but the lives of others. Content posted privately online can be publicly shared by others, and may remain online forever.

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)



## Children late into school

We are very concerned that there are a lot of children who are late to school on a regular basis. This has a big impact on their learning.

Please can you ensure that your child is in school on time so they can access the curriculum—five minutes late every day is equivalent to missing three and a half days of school.

**KS2 start at 8:45am and EYFS/KS1 start at 8:55am**

## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



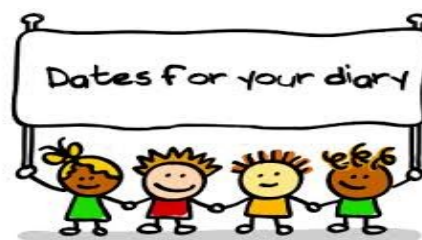
### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

**Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance**

## HOMework CHALLENGE

Our new homework challenges have been sent out this week. Year 1 to Year 6 have a set of six challenges to choose from, it is up to the children how they present their challenge at the end of the half term. We look forward to seeing their work. Look out for pictures on the new website.



**30th January**

*PTA Meeting @ 6.30pm*

**9th February**

*Break up for half term*

**23rd February**

*Sponsored Bounce*

**14th & 15th March**

*Parent Consultations*

**19th March**

*Meet the Headteacher briefing*

**Weds 28th March**

*Break up for Easter*



We would like to say a big 'Thank You' to the PTA who raised **£95** at the KS2 Carol Concert through the raffle and refreshments.

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