



# Gaywood Primary School

## Newsletter - January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this is the first newsletter of the year, may I wish you a happy and prosperous 2024.

We are delighted to say that, as a result of the fundraising at the Christmas Fair, over £600 was raised which we put towards £2,000 of books to update our library. With the addition of the new 'Reading Challenge' books that we have purchased for each classroom, we are really trying to encourage children to read a wide selection of books.

It was a pleasure to see children from Gaywood Primary attend the 02 in London this month to take part in 'Young Voices'. They represented the school displaying our core values of respect and ambition in their performance. Bravo to all that took part and the parents and carers who were able to attend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Mr Mindham (Executive Headteacher)

# JANUARY

**LOST MINUTES =  
LOST LEARNING!**



### Parking Petition

Please see link below for a road safety petition regarding the parking situation outside Gaywood Primary School.

<https://www.change.org/p/safety-for-the-children-81b476c7-467e-45d2-9af5-f5673f205fa2>

### Gaywood Primary Christmas Fayre

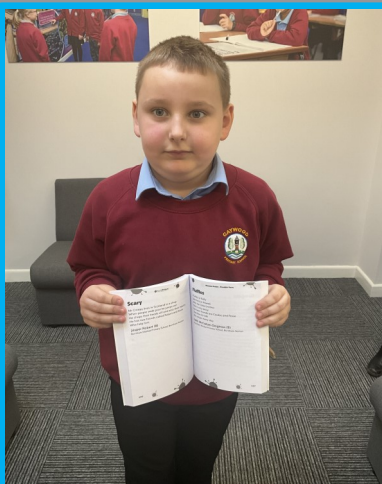


Elves, snowmen, reindeer and even a giant Turkey were all in attendance at our annual Christmas Fayre.

The pupils were joined by family and friends at the event, where we hope you all enjoyed the host of activities with a festive twist such as Knock the Elf off the Shelf, Hook a Bauble, Snowman Skittles, Reindeer Antler Hoopla, and Pin the Nose on Rudolph.

All funds raised went towards new books for the classrooms and library. We would like to thank the staff and children who helped organize the event as well as everyone who attended.





## Published Poet

Congratulations to Jasper from Year 4 who had a poem he had written published in a book of poetry!

Well done Jasper for showing such great ambition, we are all extremely proud of you and your achievements.

## Dogs On Site

Polite reminder for all Parents and Carers that we do not allow dogs into the school grounds for health and safety reasons —with the exception of guide/service dogs



**No dogs**  
Except guide dogs  
and assistance dogs

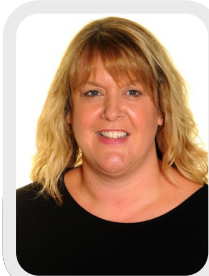
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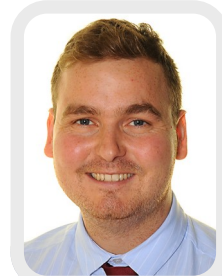
**Mr Mindham**  
Executive Headteacher



**Miss Young**  
Deputy Headteacher



**Mrs Wardill**  
Pastoral/DSL/Attendance



**Mr Whiting**  
UKS2 Phase Leader

If your child has any worries or concerns please ask them to come and have a chat with one of us. We will **always** have time to listen.

## Young Voices - O2 Arena London

A group of our Year 5 Pupils had the opportunity to attend the O2 in London for a music event in which hundreds of schools from all around the country took part.

All of the children had been practicing extremely hard since we returned in September, to learn songs such as Walking on the moon (The Police), a collection of songs from Moana and Matilda as well as 'A sky full of stars' by Coldplay.



A massive well done to everyone that took part and thank you to all the parents for your support.



**Friday 2nd February**

*NSPCC Number Day*

**Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th  
February**

*Year 1-6 Parent Consultations*

**Tuesday 13th & Wednesday  
14th February**

*EYFS Parent Consultations*

**Thursday 15th February**

*Y1 Holkham Trip*

**Friday 16th February**

*Last day of Half-Term*

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