



Gaywood Primary School

~ April 2025 ~

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. As we return to school, we enter a short but busy half term filled with exciting learning opportunities and events.

This weekend, a number of our children will be taking part in the GEAR race – a wonderful community event that promotes fitness, determination and fun. We're incredibly proud of everyone who is representing Gaywood Primary School and we will be cheering them on every step of the way.

At Gaywood, we continue to be inspired by the energy and enthusiasm of our pupils. As always, our core values of **respect, resilience, ambition and diversity** underpin everything we do – both in the classroom and beyond. These values help us to grow not only as learners, but as kind, thoughtful and responsible individuals.

Thank you, as ever, for your continued support. It is hugely valued and plays an important part in helping us to give every child the best possible start. We look forward to a successful half term ahead, however short it may be!

Warm regards, Mr Mindham (Executive Headteacher)

Easter Egg Competition Winners

A huge congratulations to all of the talented participants in our PTA Easter Egg Competition! Your creativity and hard work truly shone through, making it a tough decision for our judges.

- 1st Place : Upper Key Stage 2- Demilee
- 2nd Place: Upper Key Stage 2– Shalabham
- 1st Place : Lower Key Stage 2– Oscar L
- 2nd Place: Lower Key Stage 2 – Matei
- 1st Place : EYFS/KS1 – Cole
- 2nd Place: EYFS/KS1 – Anna A

A big thank you to everyone who participated! You all made this year's competition a memorable one. We hope you had fun and are already looking forward to next year's challenge!



Monday 5th May

Bank Holiday - School Closed

Thursday 15th May

Reception Park Farm Trip

Sunday 18th May

Clubs go Live

Wednesday 21st May

PTA School Disco

Friday 23rd May

Last Day of Term

Monday 2nd June

Back to School

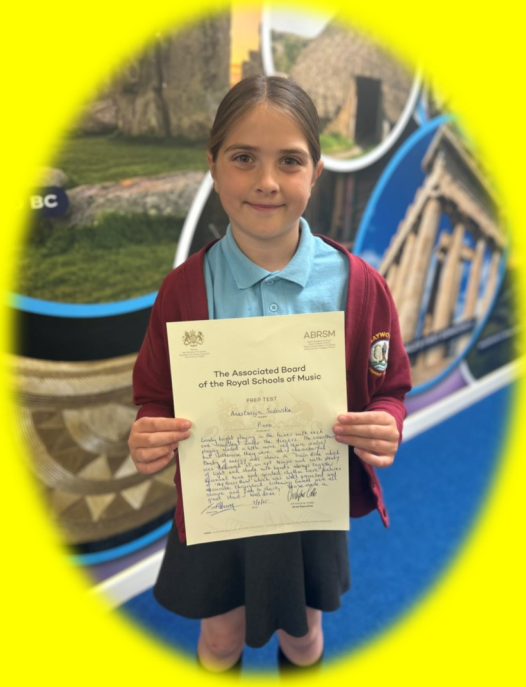
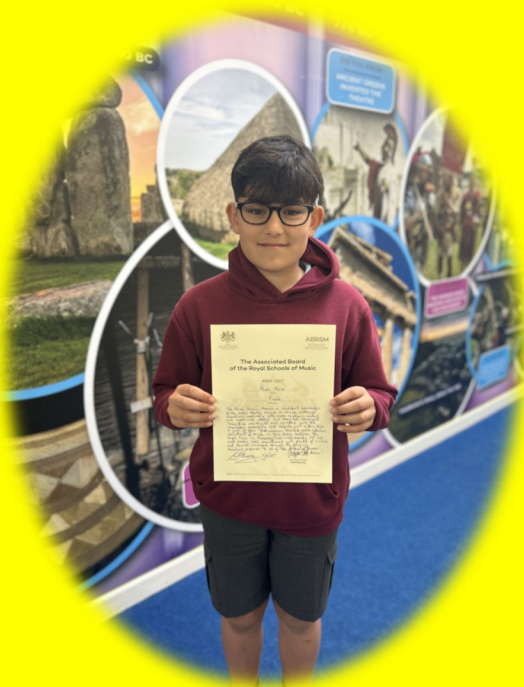


Alan and Anastasia's Musical Success

We are thrilled to share that Alan and Anastasia have recently taken their Prep Test for piano with the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music. Both received wonderful feedback, praising their preparation, musicality and confidence.

Their dedication to regular practice has been outstanding, and they have truly shown our core value of **resilience**, overcoming challenges and persevering with determination.

Congratulations to Alan and Anastasia on this fantastic achievement — we are very proud of you both!



Congratulations to Our Year 4 Young Writers!

We are incredibly proud of our talented Year 4 pupils who recently took part in the **Rotary Young Writers Competition**. This exciting event invited children from primary schools across Norfolk to showcase their creativity and writing skills – and our pupils truly rose to the challenge! A total of **nine children** from Year 4 represented our school with enthusiasm, imagination, and impressive storytelling. A special congratulations goes to **Isla T** who achieved **3rd place out of over 100 entrants** across the county – a fantastic achievement and a real testament to her creativity and effort. Well done, Isla!

We'd like to thank all the children who took part.

Keep writing, dreaming, and sharing your wonderful ideas with the world!



Top Tips and Guidance for Sun Safety



As we head into the warmer summer months, we kindly ask for your support in helping to keep all our children safe and comfortable during the school day.

Please make sure your child comes to school with the following essentials:

- **A sun hat to protect them from the sun during outdoor activities**
- **A water bottle to help them stay hydrated throughout the day**
- **Suncream applied before school**

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school a happy and healthy place to learn and play!