



Gaywood Primary School

Newsletter - April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all enjoyed a restful Easter break—it already feels like a distant memory as we move swiftly into the summer term. It has been a wonderfully positive start, with the children settling quickly back into their routines and engaging enthusiastically with their learning.

This term is already shaping up to be a busy and enriching one. A number of year groups have taken part in exciting enrichment opportunities, some of which are highlighted in this newsletter. These experiences play a vital role in bringing learning to life and broadening pupils' horizons. There is much more to look forward to in the coming weeks, and we are excited to share these moments with you as the term progresses.

As always, thank you for your continued support; it is greatly appreciated by everyone in our school community.

Kind Regards,
Mr N.Mindham (Executive Headteacher)

Easter Egg Raffle

We would like to extend a big thank you to all parents and carers who purchased a ticket in our Easter raffle, your support is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to our lucky winner, Yuxi Huang in Year 6 we hope she enjoyed her prize and perhaps even shared it with her brother Neal in Year 4!



We are delighted to have raised **£100** through the raffle. This week, we were pleased to welcome Carl from the RSPCA, who visited us to receive the donation on behalf of the charity.

A huge thank you to the Rotary for providing the egg and for everyone who purchased a ticket.



Monday 4th May

School Closed - Bank Holiday

Monday 11th May

Family Learning Workshop - Maths

Monday 18th May

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EYFS & Y5 - Homework Challenge

Tuesday 19th May

Y1/2 Bloomfield & Y6 - Homework Challenge

Wednesday 20th May

Y1/2 Brown/Nowrung & Y4 - Homework Challenge

Thursday 21st May

Y3—Homework Challenge

Friday 22nd May

Last Day of Term



Year 5 Gressenhall Trip



This week Year 5 took part in an exciting and educational visit to Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse. The visit gave pupils a valuable opportunity to step back in time to experience what life was like during the Victorian era.

During the visit, the children took part in hands-on activities learning about daily life on a Victorian farm, as well as what a typical school day was like for children of that time. From exploring traditional farming methods to experiencing the routines and expectations of a Victorian classroom.

This visit linked closely with our History curriculum, supporting pupils' understanding of life in the past. The day was both engaging and memorable for our children.



Crucial Crew

Our Year 6 pupils recently enjoyed an exciting and educational visit to the local fire station, where they had the opportunity to learn a range of valuable life skills from a variety of emergency service professionals.

Throughout the visit children took part in practical sessions covering first response using the DRSABC approach, led by St John Ambulance and the East Anglian Air Ambulance. They also learned essential skills such as CPR and how to place someone in the recovery position.

The police team delivered an important session on staying safe online, helping pupils to better understand how to navigate social media responsibly. In addition, lifeguards and RNLI representatives shared vital water safety advice, including how to identify potential dangers and the importance of floating to stay safe in an emergency.



Fire Prevention crews and Cadent Gas provided further guidance on safety in the home and community, while pupils also explored the importance of active listening, clear communication, and understanding consent.

This visit was a fantastic opportunity for our Year 6 children to gain practical knowledge and confidence in staying safe, both for themselves and others.