

Dates for the Diary

Home-school link meeting: Tuesday 19th September 2017, 9am-10am

- To share our school improvement plan for the year
- Safeguarding concerns
- Flu immunisation spray
- We would like all parents to attend please.

Refreshments will be available.

Attendance

Overall	94%
Reception	N/A
Year 1	89%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	90%
Year 4	89%
Year 5	91%
Year 6	95%

Welcome Back

We would like to welcome you all back and hope you enjoyed the summer holidays. We would like to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children. We hope that your time at John Gulson Primary is an enjoyable one. A big well done to all the children for settling into their new classes so quickly and maturely. All of the children looked very smart in their new uniforms and ready to start the new academic year.

We welcome 6 new members of staff to John Gulson, Mrs Thorne (Nursery), Miss Sikotra (Reception), Miss Masters (Year 2), Mrs. Taylor (Year 3), Mrs. McLeod (year 3) and Miss Russell in Year5.

As you are aware the times for the beginning and end of school day are 8.45am and 3.15pm, Gates to the playground are open from 8.25am, and at 8.35am all classroom doors are opened for children to enter their classes.

Please get your children to their classes at 8.35am in order that all lessons can start promptly at 8.45am.

It is also very important that you collect your child from school on time too, children can become very distressed when their parent is not there on time for them. School finishes at 3:15pm. If your child is not collected by 3:25pm, he/she then will be taken to the school library.

Parents arriving at 3:25pm or later, will therefore need to collect their child from the school library.

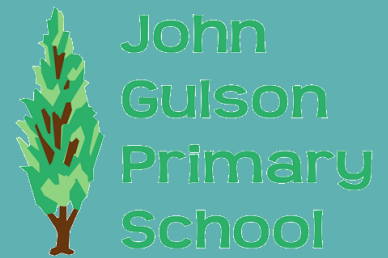
If we notice that your child has been collected late on more than one occasion then you will be invited to a meeting to discuss reasons for this. After this meeting, if there is no improvement, we then would raise this as a concern with the Local Authority.

Please may we remind parents that if your child/children are unable to come to school, a telephone call must be made to the school office by no later than 9:00am. It is important to keep the school informed if your child is going to be absent at the start of the day. A call needs to be made to the school office on each day of their absence. If the school is not notified with a reason for your child/children's absence, it will be reported as an 'unauthorised absence'. Children are allowed to bring in a water bottle every day and are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. Children should not bring in squash or fizzy drinks. Children in KS2 (Y3-6) can also bring in a 'healthy' snack or a piece of fruit for break time.

Please also ensure that all items of School Uniform and P.E Kits are labelled with your child's name, this is to help us keep lost property to a minimum. Any lost property items that are not labelled will be displayed at the end of each half term, left over items will then be given to charity.

Mr Hussain – Head Teacher

S. Hussain



Tesco Bags of Help

Vote for John Gulson to Win!



John Gulson is excited to have been shortlisted for funding by the Tesco Bags of Help scheme for the improvement of our Nursery/Reception garden project. The plan is to have weather proof canopy so young children can still explore outdoors not matter what the weather as well as refreshing our storage sheds, fences and children's play equipment. Tesco only shortlist 3 projects across each region. If we have the most tokens in local Tesco stores we will receive £4,000 to fund the project.

WE WANT TO WIN THE 1ST PRIZE of £4,000!!!!

Whenever you go into a Tesco Store in Coventry (including express stores) and purchase anything no matter how small

ASK FOR A BLUE TOKEN & PLACE THIS IN THE BOX HEADED JOHN GULSON NURSERY GARDEN.

The more tokens we receive in every Coventry Tesco store the better chance we have of getting £4,000 for our School!

Please spread the message by telling everyone you know to vote for us and **MAKE SURE YOU ASK FOR A BLUE TOKEN** when using **ANY** Tesco Store. They are not given out automatically.

The scheme runs from Friday 1st September until Tuesday 31st October. Please ask all your friends and family to vote as well – Every little helps!

Thank you for your continued support

School Terms and Holidays 2017-2018

Autumn Term

Tuesday 5 Sept 2017 to Friday 20 October 2017
(Monday 4 Sept 2017 is a teacher training day*)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 23 October 2017 to Friday 27 October 2017

Autumn term (continued)

Tuesday 31st Oct 2017 to Thursday 21 December 2017
(Monday 30 Oct 2017 is a teacher training day*)

Christmas Holiday

Friday 22nd December to Friday 5th January

Spring term

Tuesday 8 January 2018 to Friday 16 February 2018
(Monday 8 January 2018 is a teacher training day*)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 19 Feb 2018 to Friday 23 February 2018

Spring Term (continued)

Monday 26 Feb 2018 to Thursday 29 March 2018

Easter Holiday

Friday 30 March 2018 to Friday 13 April 2018

Summer Term

Monday 16 April 2018 to Friday 25 May 2018
(May Day Bank Holiday, Monday 7 May 2018)

Half Term Holiday

Monday 28 May 2018 to Friday 1 June 2018

Summer Term (continued)

Monday 4 June 2018 to Tuesday 24 July
(Wed 25 July 2018 is a teacher training day*)

Summer Holiday

Begins Wednesday 25 July 2018

*1 extra Teacher Day will be added during the term and communicated via the website and newsletter