

# Gig Mill Primary School News – 15th September 2017

Together we care, together we succeed.

## Parent Partnership

It has been a great start to our school year, it has been wonderful to see so many parents joining us this week for year group induction meetings and parents meetings for our new Reception classes.

Our school calendar of events is included overleaf, which I hope you find useful to plan ahead giving you advance notice of the key events for the school year. The HSA are holding the Annual General Meeting next week at 6.45pm in the Key Stage 1 Hall (Broadway entrance), and hoping to welcome new committee members, please join us if you would like to get involved.

### Star Readers!

Congratulations to all the children and parents taking part in the summer reading challenge with over 1600 books read by Gig Mill children. Today we have launched a new achievers award for “Star Reader” as part of our praise assembly rewards.

6G have won the attendance award with 100% attendance - Well done!

## Routines

Thank you for your patience with end of day routines, ensuring we are able to dismiss the children safely. Just a reminder that gates open at 8.40am to allow children to be welcomed into class for registration and ready to start lessons, next week new Reception children will be arriving and leaving at the same time as Key Stage One children at our Broadway entrance, so please take that into consideration to arrive in school on time.

At Heath Farm Road we would ask that no children arrive before 8.30am.

## Parking

As you will be aware as part of the “Safer routes to school” new road markings and signs have been put into place around the school perimeter by Dudley Highways Agency. This is for your children’s safety.

Please park considerately, without parking on the yellow lines or the pavements, and without parking across driveways. School have been advised that new markings will be enforced by wardens.

## School Council, House Captains and Rights Respecting Schools

This week children have been electing house captains, and school council representatives from their classes and teams. We will be announcing our new young leaders next week.

We were very proud last year to achieve our Level 1 Rights Respecting Schools Award from UNICEF. Our RRSA focus week will take place starting 25th September, and our fundraiser day will take place on Friday 29th September as a Mufti Day with children wearing blue to raise money for Classrooms in the Clouds Charity, who build schools in remote areas of Nepal.

## PGL

Year 6 are going on PGL residential next week, we look forward to hearing about all the exciting activities during the week.

## E-Safety Advice and information for Parents

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<http://parentinfo.org/page/for-schools>