

Gig Mill Primary School News – 7th September 2018

Together we care, together we succeed.

Welcome Back! Welcome Back! Welcome Back!

What a great start to our school year! We have been delighted to welcome all the children back to school this week. They all look really smart in their new uniforms, and have settled really well into their new classes. It has been lovely start to term at Gig Mill.

We have also welcomed our new Reception children and families who have joined us. I'm sure you will give all the new children and parents a wonderful Gig Mill welcome. Please be patient if it takes us a little longer at the end of the day as children and staff get used to new routines.

We hope that you will join us for induction meetings next week to find out about your child's new year group.

Induction Meetings

Year 1 - Mon 10th Sept 3.30pm - 4.00pm **Year 2** - Mon 10th September 4.00pm - 4.30pm

Year 3 - Tues 11th Sept 3.30pm - 4.00pm **Year 4** - Tues 11th Sept 4.00pm - 4.30pm

Year 5 - Weds 12th Sept 3.30pm - 4.00pm **Year 6** - Weds 12th September 4.00pm - 4.30pm

Swimming lessons

Your child will have had a swimming letter if your class is swimming. Swimming lessons start next week for children in Years 4, 5 and 6 and our ASD Base.

Please note - **for next week only**, Class 4GS will swim on Weds (12th).

Picking up at the end of the day

We have slightly changed where classes come out on both playgrounds at the end of the day. Please could we ask parents to stand a little further back from the school buildings in order to have enough room to bring out all the children (on both KS1 and KS2 playgrounds). For parents collecting from Broadway (KS1 playground) the Yr 1/2 children will face the playground with the Yr 1 corridor behind them and when KS2 children join the playground they will face the playground with the Nursery building behind them. On the KS2 playground (accessed via Heath Farm Road) the children will be brought down to the lower half of the playground with Y3 nearest the swimming pool car park and Y6 nearest the steps. Any Yr 1/2 being collected from this playground children will still be dismissed from the top of the slope.

Parking Reminder

Please **DO NOT** park or drop off / pick up on the school marking signs as it is putting our children, parents and other road users in danger, as well as contravening the highway code.

Term dates for 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018

INSET: Mon 3rd Sept

Term Starts: Tues 4th Sept

INSET: Fri 26th Oct

Half-Term: 29th Oct - Fri 2nd Nov

Term Ends: Weds 21st Dec

Spring Term 2019

INSET: Mon 7th Jan

Term Starts: Tues 8th Jan

Half-Term: 18th Feb - 22nd Feb

Term Ends: Fri 12th Apr

Summer Term 2019

INSET: Mon 29th Apr

Term Starts: Tues 30th Apr

May Day: Mon 6th May

Half-Term: 27th May - 31st May

Term Ends: Fri 19th Jul

(INSET Mon 22nd July)

Classrooms in the Clouds Fundraising Day - Friday 28th September

As part of our Rights Respecting school work we will be having a mufti day. Children are asked to wear blue and bring in a silver (or gold) coin. All money raised will go towards building a classroom in Bung, Nepal.

Healthy lunchboxes

For those children who bring in packed lunches to school, this website is full of ideas and information on how to make healthy and tasty lunchboxes <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>