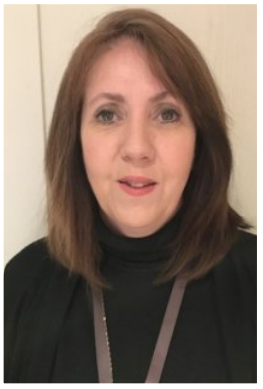




May 2023

NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents & Carers

Isn't it wonderful to see Summer finally arriving? Although it's been quite a disrupted half term with bank holidays, we have achieved so much.

It's been really great having increased opportunities for

parents to come into school. This was part of your feedback to us in the Spring questionnaire and we agreed that we want parents to share in the learning and opportunities your child has at Galampton.

We had a wonderful afternoon celebrating the Coronation, despite the poor weather and having to postpone our afternoon tea picnic. It was also lovely to see so many parents on our National Numeracy Day and of course seeing parents come in each week to our Friday assemblies. Don't forget if you do wish to see your child's learning, you can do this at any time, but let your child's class teacher know.

We've also been working on increasing our after school clubs and are hoping to start Violin Club next half term. We're also going to start up a free KS1 Craft Club for our Pupil Premium children. Sadly, the Gardening Club has been put on hold this term as one of our lovely gardeners, our dear friend Carol, has been quite poorly. We miss her, but wish her well as she begins her treatment and hope to see her back in the garden with us all soon! Thank you Dave for continuing to look after our gardens.

Have a wonderful break and see you all on 8th June for our last half term of the year.

Best wishes,

Katy Burns Headteacher



Y1 Trip

Year 1 have become better Geographers by visiting Brixham to see some of the many ways the community is supported and protected. We visited Torbay RNLi and found out about the volunteers who help to save lives at sea. The children enjoyed seeing the equipment and even trying on some of the heavy gear. We also visited the breakwater to see how it, and the lighthouse, protect the harbour and the town of Brixham. Having learnt how much it costs daily to run the RNLi, we now hope to raise some money to support this vital part of Brixham's local community.



Thank you Mrs Butler



We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Faye Butler at the end of the year. Due to family commitments, and after much deliberation, Mrs Butler has decided to end her role as Y1 Teacher and KS1 Lead.

Mrs Butler has taught at Galmpton for just over 15 years. She has been an exceptional Teacher and leader and has hugely contributed to the strong school we are today.

When I arrived at Galmpton nearly 9 years ago, it was Mrs Butler, who gave me the support that was needed to start making some significant improvements and changes. I will forever be indebted to her for her calm, unflappable and wise ways. All the staff will miss Mrs Butler but we are comforted by the fact that she will continue to come into school to support us and remain with us as a Governor. She's not getting away that easily!!

Thank you Faye, for all that you've given to Galmpton. Thank you for your commitment and passion for teaching, and for being a superb member of the leadership team. Thank you for your service and professionalism but mostly we thank you for your kindness, your humour and your ability to always find solutions for things. We will very much miss you!

Staffing for 2023/2024

We are delighted to announce that Miss Francesca Sharman will take up the position of full time Y1 Teacher from September. Miss Sharman is currently working at Brixham C of E Primary School, she knows our curriculum well and has already started her induction process at Galmpton.

All current teachers, apart from Mrs Paskin, remain in the same year group next academic year, but there are a few changes to notify you of.

Mrs Paskin will move to our EYFS class for two days a week and join Mrs Page, who leads on EYFS across our ACE Trust. Mrs Page will also become a Senior Leader at Galmpton, taking on Mrs Butler's previous role as EYFS/KS1 Lead.

Mrs Paskin will also work for one day a week in Year 3, as Mr Hicks joins the Leadership team as KS2 Lead and continues his role as Early Career Teaching Lead across the Trust.

Mrs Fisher will increase her role as SENDCo to 3 days a week, and work one day a week as our ACE SEND Support Lead. As our SENDCo Mrs Fisher also sits on our Senior Leadership Team.

Mrs Hartley continues as Y4 Teacher, Deputy Head Teacher and Acting Head in my absence. She will also lead the Senior Leaders in school.

We will inform you of learning support assistants in the July newsletter.

NATIONAL NUMERACY DAY

Galmpton celebrated National Numeracy Day on Wednesday 17th May.

Parents were invited into school for an overview of our aims for the teaching of mathematics, the key concepts that we teach children in maths from Reception to Year 6 and ideas to try to support children's learning of mathematics at home.

After the presentation, parents had the opportunity to join their child for a maths lesson in class so see what maths looks like in action in school. It was lovely to see the parents and the children working together solving problems and enjoying their maths lessons together.



Thank you to all those parents who came and took part in our open morning event. The feedback from the session was overwhelmingly positive and parents clearly liked being back in the classroom. A key aspect to learning maths is confidence, knowing that you are learning even if you make a mistake – it was nice to see some of you telling me that you will be calling yourselves mathematicians from now on!

Our maths event continued after the parents had left us for the morning and children used their reading lesson to find out about a famous mathematician. In our Act of Worship at the end of the day, children shared their learning with the rest of the school.

Well done to everyone for making our National Numeracy Day such a success!

CORONATION PARTY

On Friday 5th May we came together as a school community to celebrate the historical occasion of the Coronation of our King, Charles III. The children who won the royal fancy dress competition left with a King Charles commemorative book. We enjoyed singing our coronation song and having a tea party fit for a King!



NETBALL MATCH

On Thursday 20th April, the Year 5/6 Netball Team had a netball match at Collaton St Mary Primary School. The girls were great competitors scoring over 15 goals and winning their match. Throughout the game, all of the girls showed great courage and sportsmanship.



FOOTBALL MATCH

Our Y3 children played against Collaton St Mary Primary on Tuesday 25th April. We won our first match 4-2, which put us in the Championship Final. The children battled so hard and ended up coming second. We lost 4-0 in the final, but the score definitely didn't reflect the match. The children were all a credit to Galampton.



END OF YEAR REPORTS

This year, our end of year pupil reports will be sent out electronically by email. The office will work through, a class at a time and send each report individually. Therefore if you have siblings in different classes you will receive them separately. We hope to complete issuing KS1 reports on Monday 17th July and KS2 reports on Tuesday 18th July.

These are our current after school club offerings and we are looking at the possibility of adding further clubs – watch this space!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
BDA Football TUFC Multisport free club, open to FSM eligible children and alternate year groups at a time.	KS1 TUFC Multisport Choir with Harriet Craft, free club to KS1 FSM eligible & Pupil premium children.	TUFC KS2 girls football Lisa Richards Inspired Art Cookery club	KS2 TUFC Multisport KS2 Violin (after half term)

Attendance Data for the period 07.9.22 – 18.06.23

Whole School - 95.70%	Target is 97%
R	95.01
1	97.09
2	93.95
3	96.57
4	95.90
5	95.98
6	95.28



Well done to Year 1 who have achieved the highest attendance since the start of term!



PAVEMENT BLOCKING

We have received feedback that dogs tied up outside school at drop off / pick up times are making it difficult to pass on the pavement and parents and children are having to walk in the road. Could we please ask that you are mindful of keeping dogs close to the wall to facilitate safe access. Many thanks



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2023

Your fantastic contribution means that we can continue to improve the treatment and care of young patients at Bristol Children's Hospital and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at St Michael's Hospital.

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Calendar Dates

2023

12th – 16th June	Phonics Screening Week
Tues 13th June	YR & Y1 Trip to Paignton Zoo
Thurs 15th June	Class Photo's (Tempest Photography)
Thurs 15th June	Y4 Workshop at TBGS
Wed 21st June	Y4 trip to Torre Abbey
Fri 23rd June	FROGS School Discos – info to follow
Sun 25th June	Joint Church/School Service – all parents/carers welcome @ 10:00am
Sun 2nd July	Galmpton Gooseberry Pie Fayre
Tues 4th & Wed 5th July	Y6 Sailing
Wed 5th July	ACE Music Event – Princess Theatre
Thurs 6th & Fri 7th July	Y6 to Y7 Transition Days at Secondary Schools
Tues 11th July	School Sports Day (in case of bad weather, 18th July backup date)
Sat 15th July	Summer Fayre
Mon 17th & Tue 18th July	School reports being issued by email
Tues 18th July	Y6 Leavers Party – Battlefield 3pm – 8pm
Fri 21st July	Leavers Service in Barn Chapel – 2.15pm Y6 Parents welcome
Mon 24th July	Y6 Leavers Play – 6pm for Y6 Parents
Tues 25th July	End of Year Service – 2.15pm all welcome

2023 School Holidays & Non-Pupil Dates:

Mon 29th May – Weds 7th June (inc)	May Half Term Holiday & Non-Pupil Days
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