

01 This week at GTS

GROWING ASPIRATIONAL CITIZENS OF THE FUTURE

A warm glow of effort and teamwork!

Even though it has got colder this week, there has still been the usual glow of effort and hard work at GTS. The children have been working extremely hard.

We have continued to focus on using our Cooperation Learning Muscle and are understanding the importance of following the school rules in order to make others happy and stay safe.

Alongside this, our GTS Citizenship Value of Respect has reminded us that it is always good to do the right thing in the right way.



Cooperation

Our Learning Muscle this week was Cooperation. We work together, listen to others, share and take turns to achieve great things.



Respect

Our GTS Citizenship Value this week was Respect. We are kind, considerate and always do the right thing in the right way.



“Teamwork, respect and kindness help everyone shine!”

02 This week's Weekly Vote

REAL QUESTIONS. BIGGER THINKING.

THE QUESTION:

Can I have 1,000 friends?

50%

YES

NO

50%

Thinking for ourselves

This week's vote led to some important safeguarding discussions. We talked about what a real friend is and how friends make us feel happy, safe and included. We also thought about online friendships and that not everyone online may be who they say they are. We learned that it's the quality of our friendships that matters more than the quantity. A few close, kind and trustworthy friends can make a big difference in our lives.

A REAL FRIEND KEEPS YOU SAFE

Kind Trustworthy Respectful Supportive

*I can't do it...
YET!*



Talk about it together:

Who do you think counts as a friend?
Are online friends real friends too?
How can you tell?



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GTS FRIDAY FIVE

The little magazine from Glastonbury Thorn School

*I Can't Do It... **YET!***

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Good to know

STAYING CONNECTED AS A SCHOOL COMMUNITY

New Knowledge Organisers coming soon!

Our new Knowledge Organisers for Autumn Term 2 will be coming out soon!

Have you used the Autumn Term 1 Knowledge Organisers at home? We would love to hear your feedback on how useful they have been.

Please come and speak to us on the playground and let us know your thoughts. If you haven't used them yet, do take a look – they are a great way to find out what your child is learning and support learning conversations at home.



*Supporting learning
at home!*

*Find out
what your child
is learning and
start the conversation
at home!*

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Parent Voice

LISTENING • WORKING TOGETHER • MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Thank you to all the parents and carers who completed our latest Parent Questionnaire. We really value your feedback and the time you took to share your views.



100%

**parents and carers said
that their child feels safe
at school.**

This is fantastic news and a real reflection of our caring school community. Thank you!

Two key themes emerged from your feedback:

1 Who to talk to if you have a concern

Some parents and carers were unsure who to talk to if they have a concern. As a reminder, our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) are:

- Mr Cursley (Lead DSL)
- Mrs Clay
- Ms Merchant
- Mrs Moore
- Miss Shannon
- Mrs Morris

You can also speak to any member of staff, including your child's class teacher.

2 Bullying and how it is dealt with

Some parents and carers were unsure about bullying and how it is dealt with. Bullying is not tolerated at GTS in any form. We use restorative principles with both adults and children so that conflicts can be resolved positively. If there is ever a problem concerning your child, we will always let you



*Working
together for a
happy, safe school*

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Before you go...

LOTS OF GREAT THINGS AHEAD



EYFS Parent Information Evening

Wednesday 14th October, 5:15pm – 6:30pm.

Families are warmly invited to join us for our EYFS Parent Information Evening. You will be able to learn more about the school's wonderful ethos and how phonics is taught. We hope to see you there.



Early Years
at GTS

- Our Ethos
- Phonics
- A Bright Start

*Learn more about
our ethos and how
phonics is taught!*



Thank you...

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely weekend!

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