



Greasyby Junior School

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Care, Courtesy and Consideration

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Merit of the Week



Year 3: Oscar C & Ezra D
Year 4: Isabel K & Zara J
Year 5: Betsy B & Harry W
Year 6: Cole S & Gabby D-C

Attendance

Year 3: 93.8%
Year 4: 96.8%
Year 5: 91.3%
Year 6: 91.0%
Whole School: 93.1%



Values Awards

Year 3: Sophie S
Year 4: Sophie M
Year 5: Jack F
Year 6: Brendan C



Golden Table Awards



Year 3: Austin Z-W
Year 4: Oscar M
Year 5: Tilly H
Year 6: Erin O'S

What's on at school next week?

(Week beginning 3rd November)

Monday: Digital Wizards Club (8am)
Homework Club (12:00pm)
Middle Recorder Club (12:30pm)

Tuesday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Craft Club (12:30pm)
Indoor Ball Games Club (12:30pm)
Time Out Tuesday (12:30pm)

Wednesday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Year 6 Netball Club (12:30pm)
Year 6 Football (12:30pm)
Drama (12:30pm)

Thursday: Homework Club (12:00pm)
Golden Table (12:00pm)
Cross Country (12:30pm)
School Council (12:30pm)
Chess Club (3:35pm)

Friday: Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics (12:30pm)
Year 5/6 Foot Golf (12:30pm)
Film Friday (12:30pm)





Thank You & Have a Happy Half Term

As we come to the end of an eight-week half term, I want to take a moment to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone in our school community. It has been a long but wonderfully positive start to the academic year, and I am so grateful for all that has been achieved over these past weeks.

To our parents and families, thank you for your continued support, encouragement, and positivity. Your engagement — through parents' evenings, communication with staff, and participation in school life — really makes a difference and helps us work together to give our children the best possible start to the year.

To our children, well done for embracing school life so positively and showing such enthusiasm for learning, friendship, and new opportunities. You have all worked incredibly hard and should be proud of everything you've achieved so far.

And to our staff, an enormous thank you for your dedication, care and teamwork. From settling the children into new routines to creating inspiring learning opportunities each day, your effort and commitment are the heart of what makes GJS such a special place.

Weekly Round-Up

This week has been packed with excitement!

We began the week with an Archery Club assembly, where several children demonstrated their emerging skills and enthusiasm for this new sport. It's fantastic to see so many pupils discovering new interests through our clubs' programme.



Our Year 6 vs Year 7 reunion football matches were another highlight, with some familiar faces returning to school to take on our current teams. Monday saw the boys' match — a hard-fought 5–2 win for the Year 7s — while Thursday's girls' match was just as competitive, ending 4–3 to the visitors. It was wonderful to welcome back so many of our former pupils; both games were played in great spirit and full of smiles!

Tuesday brought our first school disco of the year, and what an evening it was! There was food, toys, nail varnish, tattoos, dancing, and even a quiet area and hair accessories this year. The children had a fantastic time — and though some of their song choices (K-Pop Demon Hunter!) might have tested our playlists, their rendition of *Sweet Caroline* was a showstopper!

We also said goodbye to this term's Mad Science Club, which finished on a high this week. The feedback from children has been brilliant — so many said they'd love to do it again!

Across the classrooms:

Year 3 investigated *how shadows change throughout the day* in Science, using torches and models to explore how the sun's position affects shadow size and direction. Brilliant curiosity and careful observation!

Year 4 finished their *Romans* topic by making clay Roman coins. Once dry over half term, they'll be painted gold, silver and bronze — a lovely way to round off the unit.

Year 5 took part in a powerful MEAS workshop on challenging hate, learning that everyone deserves respect regardless of background or culture — a timely reminder of our shared values.

Year 6, following on from Monday's visit from MEAS for *Black History Month*, explored how history can be distorted and how stereotypes are reinforced or challenged through social media. They created avatars that either highlighted or broke stereotypes — some brilliant, thought-provoking work!

As we finish the half term, I want to thank everyone once again for their energy, kindness, and support. Communication has been excellent, and we've truly appreciated all of the positive messages shared with staff over recent weeks.



Looking ahead:

Enjoy the half term break next week — hopefully the weather is kind to us all!

School reopens on Monday 3rd November.

Monday: Digital Wizards Club begins at 8am that morning for those who have signed up — please arrive promptly through the main entrance.

Tuesday: The whole school will enjoy their Anti-Bullying performance, helping us launch *Anti-Bullying Week* and reinforcing the importance of kindness and respect.

Thursday: Year 6 will take part in their *Hope Journey: Remembering* event at Greasby Methodist Church.

Friday: will be Photograph Day — please remember that children should return in winter uniform. Please check the school website for further details.

Wishing everyone a happy, safe and restful half term. Whether you're celebrating Halloween, spending time with family or enjoying a well-deserved break, take time to recharge — you've all earned it!

Online Safety

Many children in Key Stage 2 are now using group chats through apps such as WhatsApp, Messenger, or Discord to stay in touch with friends. While these can be a fun way to connect, they can also lead to misunderstandings, unkind behaviour, or children seeing inappropriate content.



To help your child stay safe and positive online:

- **Check the app's age rating** — for example, WhatsApp has a minimum age of 13.
- **Encourage kindness** — remind children that the same rules of respect apply online as in person.
- **Monitor group size and content** — large group chats can easily get out of control.
- **Talk regularly** — ask your child what groups they're part of and how they feel about them.

For clear guidance on managing messaging apps and online friendships, visit **ThinkUKnow:** <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>.

Open conversations and regular checks help children build safe, healthy online relationships.



Lost Property

Our lost property collection is overflowing! Although we put everything out during Parents' Evening, a large number of items still remain unclaimed. After half term, we'll place the items in the entrance hall once again for parents and carers to check through. Please do come and have a look — any unclaimed items will be donated or recycled after that point.

Name Your Uniform, Please!

As we get ready for the new half term, please take a few moments to check that all items of your child's uniform — including jumpers, coats, PE kits, and water bottles — are clearly named. We always do our best to return lost items to their owners, but this is only possible if they are

labelled. A quick check (or re-labelling if names have faded) really helps us reunite belongings with the right children. Thank you for your support!

Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL					
OPTION 1	Cheese & Bean Lasagne	Margherita Pizza & Wedges	Lentil & Stuffing Pastry Roll	Bolognaise with Penne Pasta	Vegetable Nuggets & Chips
OPTION 2	Ham & Cheese Pasta	Traditional Creamy Beef Lasagne	Roast Gammon & Gravy	Sweet & Sour Chicken with Rice	MSC Approved Fish Fingers & Chips
VEGGIES	Carrots & Peas	Broccoli	Roasted Potatoes Carrots & Parsnips	Peas	Beans
FILLED ROLLS	Ham Cheese	Chicken Egg	Ham Cheese	Tuna Mayo Ham Cheese	Egg Cheese
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Our crunchy colourful salad & jacket potatoes with cheese, beans, tuna mayo or cheese and beans					
SWEET TREATS	Blueberry Cookie Bar	Chocolate & Banana Brownie	Strawberry Yoghurt & Strawberry Sauce	Apple & Cocoa Sponge	Raspberry Jelly
Desserts available every day - a choice of jelly, fruit or yoghurt					
KEY Nutritionist's Choice Vegetarian Vegan Added Wholewheat					

Community Events

ST JOHN'S & ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH INVITES YOU TO OUR...

LIGHT PARTY

31 OCTOBER | 5-6PM | AGE 3YRS-11YRS

DISCO GAMES HOT DOGS

ALL WELCOME. FREE ENTRY

NON-SCARY SUPERHERO DRESS UP!

ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL, FRANKBY. CH48 3PE

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BOOK ONLINE QR CODE...

Family Activity Afternoon

Join us for a free afternoon of fun, games and snacks

Suitable for all Primary School children and their carers (and younger siblings)

Thursday 30th October 2025 2-4pm

Greasby Methodist Church

Booking essential! Please phone Church Office on 0151 677 5127 or email office@greasbymethodistchurch.org.uk

An exciting collection of **handpicked stalls** offering a wonderful variety of unique and beautiful **Christmas gifts**.

Monday 3rd November 2pm - 9pm

Tuesday 4th November 9.30am - 3pm

Hulme Hall
Port Sunlight, CH62 5DH

Entertainment, refreshments, and free parking. £5 entry.

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Supporting North West Cancer Research

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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Emma Ball,
Headteacher

INSET Days

~~Monday 1st September~~

Friday 24th October

Monday 5th January

Friday 13th February

Monday 20th July