



Gorton Primary School – Newsletter 3 - 2021

Message from the Principal

Firstly, I just wanted to say a great big thank you to all the parents, children, and staff for making me feel so welcome at Gorton Primary School. I joined as Principal in the second week of term and have come over from St James, our sister school, on Stelling Street, Gorton.

It has been a whirlwind few weeks and I can't believe we are early at half term already! Hopefully over the coming weeks I will be able to meet with more parents and get to see you in person.

I can honestly say that Gorton Primary School is a very special place, and you should be very proud of your children. They are polite, well-mannered, and very eager to learn. A pleasure to be around. I am looking forward to the rest of the autumn term and the start of lots of new clubs and events at school.

Mrs G Mangnall

Principal

Important Dates

Thursday 21st October

Fitness Thursday

Friday 22nd October

Half term Holidays

Monday 1st November

Back to school.

Arbor Payments

Reminder:

School no longer accepts any cash; all payments must be processed through **Arbor**.

If you do not have an Arbor account, please contact Miss Dunning in the school office who will help you set it up.

You can update any personal information or Arbor this way school can ensure we have the correct phone numbers and home addresses for you.



Ozzy Awards:

Value – Collaborator

Well done to all our winners
this week for our Ozzy awards:

N - Esmae

R - Mustafa

Yr1A - Amelia

Yr1B - Fiza

Yr2K - Lottie-Lou

Yr2M - Zephaniah

Yr3H - Hassan



Car Parking

We have had complaints from residents about parents parking illegally around the school when dropping off/picking up children. They are concerned about the safety of our children. Please take care when parking and ensure you avoid parking on yellow lines and also do not park at the junction on Longsight Road leading onto Mount Road as this limits visibility for drivers. I understand that parking is limited and would encourage you to car share or walk to school where possible. I'd appreciate your support in keeping our children safe on the road.



After school Sports Clubs

We are delighted to start after school sports clubs again after half term. There will be one club a day for 16 pupils, and we will make sure every child is given the opportunity to attend over the year.

Some of the actives will include:

- Gymnastics
- Athletics
- Target games
- Dance
- Tennis
- Cricket
- Tag rugby
- Rounders

The provider, Progressive Sports, are doing a launch day in school on Thursday 21st October so we are going to hold **FITNESS THURSDAY** on that day. All classes will have a PE lesson led by Progressive Sports and we will also do a range of healthy eating, healthy minds and healthy body activities.

Children may wear sports kit on that day.



School Dinners

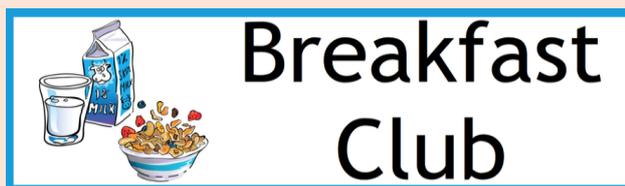
After half term we will no longer be sending the school dinner choices to parents, from now on the children will pick their own dinner each day at the dinner counter. We will upload our menus to our school website so all parents will be able to see what their child will be offered each day. They will also be displayed in classrooms to help your children choose. We are also going to be giving a wider salad and sandwich option in the next half term.

Breakfast Club

We now have our breakfast club up and running. All students are welcome to attend, club starts at 8.15am and children are given the choice of what they want to eat.

Miss Moroney runs breakfast club and ensure there are activities to do to keep the children entertained.

Breakfast club has a small fee of £ 1.00 per day, this can be paid through Arbor. If you would like your child to attend club, please contact the office where we can book you a place.



Breakfast Club

Reading Challenge

At Gorton Primary School our children love to read, so we have decided to set up a challenge which will get us to read more than ever, with some exciting prizes to be won!

Every couple of weeks a reading challenge will be set on the newsletter. This challenge could be to read with a teddy, read in the park or even read eating jelly!

Photos of your reading entry are to be uploaded to Class Dojo so Teachers can choose the winners for the best entry.

There are lots of prizes to be won and you must be in it to win it! For each entry the children will receive a Dojo Point. The best photos each week will receive a prize of a book!

At the end of the year there will be the grand prize of a Kindle for the best entry out of all the challenges!

This week`s challenge
is...

Read a book with your
favourite teddy!

Our book recommendation of the week is:

How to catch a stay by Oliver Jeffers

Our reading website of the week is: www.booktrust.org.uk