



William Gilpin School

Newsletter



Summer Term - Number 4 - Monday 16th June 2025

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

We are well into June now and the weather looks set to be warm and sunny for the rest of the month - which is good news with the Frowgs Fete taking place on Saturday. It has been lovely to welcome our eleven new YR starters for recent visits to school to prepare them for September. I will be able to share news with parents soon about teaching arrangements for all pupils, in advance of our 'Moving Up' days on 8th & 9th July. Please do enjoy the photos from our amazing Founders Day at New Park - last week I was invited to the the Bishop of Winchester's garden party and was keen to tell him all about the founder of our school!

Simon Croutear

Great Gilpin Bake-Off!

What a tremendous Bake-Off we had - with some brilliant entries! A huge thank you to everybody who supported this event, either by entering or through buying the delicious cakes at the bake sale after school. Mr Baker & Mr Croutear very much enjoyed judging and rosettes were awarded to first, second & third in each of our categories. Congratulations to Karenza, whose show-stopper won the overall contest!



Hot weather

Please ensure that your child has a full water bottle each day as we experience hot weather. A sun hat is also advisable, as well as applying sunscreen to children before school. We always remind pupils to drink regularly and to stay in the shade on the field when it is very hot.

Drop-zone reminder

Once again we would like to remind parents that the drop-zone is not intended for cars to be parked and left. If you want to walk your child in to school, or meet them on the playground after school, please park elsewhere (not the school car park). Thank you for your support.



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Founder's Day at New Park - Wednesday 4th June

The whole-school thoroughly enjoyed our 'Founder's Day' celebration at New Park, Brockenhurst on 4th June. It was a wonderful occasion, with lots of learning about the New Forest and an opportunity for pupils and staff to work in a fantastic outdoor setting. We are very grateful to everyone who contributed to this memorable day, including parents who played their part by transporting the children to and from this different day at 'school'!



After School Club

Greetings from After School Club!

Over the past fortnight we have made some yummy chocolate cakes - a firm favourite with all the children. Bowl licking is the most popular part of the cooking activity! We also tried a new recipe – vegetable tarts. They were rectangles of puff pastry covered with tomato and basil sauce, chopped onion, courgette, tomatoes, peppers, mushrooms, seasoned with garlic granules and oregano. And topped with a sprinkling of cheese. They were delicious and may appear on the menu again!



Chocolate Cakes



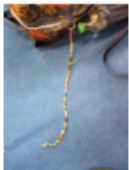
Before cooking – Vegetable Tarts



After Cooking - Vegetable Tart

Polite reminder
Please can parents return any After School Club cooking containers so that we can reuse them.
Many thanks

On our crafting days, we made jewellery - some of the children had a competition to see who could make the longest beaded key chain! Whilst others made memory wire bracelets. We have also made some lovely magnetic book marks for Father's Day (this Sunday 15th June) and chocolates with sprinkles on hand designed coasters.



Beaded Keychains and Bracelets

Father's Day Magnetic Bookmarks and Chocolate Disc's

Oliver's amazing Lego

Over the next fortnight, we are starting to work on our project for the Boldre Produce Show on Saturday 12th July. This year in the schools category we have been set a challenge to make 'A Space themed mobile' rather than the gardens we have previously been asked to make. So for the next couple of weeks I plan to make items for the mobile with the children. There are also opportunities for children to enter the show individually in two categories per age groups. This year:

7 Years and under – A Painted Hard Boiled Egg

8-12 Years – A Leaf Print

- Decorate a Plain Biscuit (the biscuit can be brought)

- 3 Cheese Straws

I will be making some of these items in our sessions the week before for anyone who wishes to enter their child's creations. Its only 5p per entry. Sadly last year there were hardly any entries in the children classes so it would be a great opportunity to support this village event. Entry forms are available from Angela Grainger (House opposite the Village Hall/shop) and I believe the village shop. There are also lots of adult categories too!

This is what we are planning to do over the next two weeks:

Monday 16th June – Scones

Monday 23rd June – Cheese & Tomato Pinwheels

Tuesday 17th June – Recycling Make and Take

Tuesday 24th June – Boldre Produce Show Space Mobile

Wednesday 18th June – Recycling Make and Take

Wednesday 25th June – Boldre Produce Show Space Mobile

Thursday 19th June – Cheese & Tomato Pinwheels

Thursday 26th June – Scones

Friday 20th June – Film Night with crisps/popcorn

Friday 27th June – Film Night with crisps/popcorn

After school club is open Monday to Friday 3.10 to 6pm. We offer two session choices: Option1 from 3.10 to 4.30pm (£6.00) and Option 2 from 3.10 to 6pm (£12.50). After 4.30pm we do activities, such as cooking and craft. Don't forget to book via Scopay or the school office.

With blessings Mrs Harding