

20th June 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week has been a busy one in school, with lots of exciting opportunities for our children.

On Monday, Mrs Dearnley hosted our 'Grow a pound' assembly on behalf of the PTA. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to learn the beauty of budgeting and enterprise! We have been so impressed by the range of creative and unique ways the children have chosen to make money.

This week, our Year 2 children were joined by their parents/carers during their Inspire afternoon focussed around their history curriculum this half term. It was an absolute pleasure to see so many families having the opportunity to work together in school and the models produced were brilliant. Thank you to all our parents and carers who were able to join us and thank you for such positive feedback.

Thank you to our Nursery parents who joined us this week to get hands on and messy in an outdoor learning session. The children remained focussed and purposeful in their play throughout and certainly got their adults involved!

Miss Dyas kindly organised a skateboarding experience for KS2 this week, where our children had the opportunity to learn the skills required to ride a skateboard. Well done to all of our children who participated in this session, it was a brilliant opportunity to try something new and, for some, overcome a challenge!

Today, our Reception class have had an exciting visit to Swithens Farm. The children have been an absolute credit to the school and have engaged in lots of discussions with their teachers about their experience, seeing lots of farm animals up close. What a wonderful memory for some of our youngest children.

Thank you for all of your support and we wish you a lovely weekend.

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Gawthorpe Pocket Principles



Be Respectful



Be Responsible



Be Ready to Learn

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PANTS assembly

Over the next few weeks, children in school will take part in the NSPCC PANTS assembly. This assembly supports children in understanding that their body belongs to them, and they should tell a trusted adult if anything makes them feel upset or worried, delivered in an age appropriate manner to support all children. If you would like any further information, please contact the school office.

School Email Address

Our school office email has now changed to gca-enquiries@inspirepartnership.org.uk please use this for all correspondence from now on.

Summer Fair:

Preparations are underway for the Summer Fair on Wednesday 16 July 3pm. We hope to bring a range of exciting games and activities - more information to follow. Volunteers to help organise and/or run a stall would very much be appreciated. Please get in touch via gawthorpepta@gmail.com. We will have a few spaces for businesses to have a stall too, please get in touch if you are interested.

PTA Non-uniform Day

On Friday 11th July, we will hold a PTA non-uniform day in school to support in gathering donations for the summer fair. Rec/RS1 will be asked to bring in a donation of sweets/chocolate for the tombola and RS2 will be asked to bring bottles of soft drink/toiletries. Thank you in advance for your support.

School Lunches

Please remember to order your child's school dinners for next week. A copy of the lunch Menu has been added below. Thank you.

Craft Workshops

Wakefield Council have kindly offered to lead some craft sessions at Gawthorpe for parents and children. Parents are invited to take part in a craft session with Wakefield Council, we are limited to 30 places per workshop, please book in by emailing the school office gca-enquiries@ipmat.co.uk for a place. We look forward to seeing you there!

Year 1 & Y2 – The Hungry Caterpillar (Thursday 10/07/25 at 9.30am-11.30am)

Year 3, Y5, Y6 – Van Gogh (Thursday 17/07/25 at 9.30am till 11.30am)

Attendance

Here is our weekly attendance update. Well done Year 5 who have all achieved the best overall attendance this week. **As a school, we strive to ensure our weekly attendance is at least 97%** Your continued support is vital.

Year Group	This week's school attendance %
Reception	96.67%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	98.33%
Year 3	96.55%
Year 4	97.14%
Year 5	98.67%
Year 6	92.00%
Whole School	96.60%

Diary Dates

School Diary Dates		
Date	Event	Year Group
02.07.25	INSPIRE Afternoon 1.30pm	Reception
04.07.25	Afternoon Tea	Whole School
07.07.25	Leeds United Trip	Year 1 and Year 4
08.07.25	Open Classroom	Whole School
09.07.25	End of Year Disco	Year 6
10.07.25	Coal Mining Trip	Year 5
10.07.25	Craft Workshop 9.30am-11.30am	Reception, Y1 & Y2
11.07.25	Non-Uniform Day	Whole School
16.07.25	Summer Fair 3.00pm	Whole School Including Nursery
17.07.25	Seaside Trip	Year 1 and Year 4
17.07.25	Craft Workshop 9.30am-11.30am	Year 3, 5 & 6
18.07.25	End of Year Performance	Year 6
W.C. 21.07.25	Residential	Year 6
22.07.25	End of Year Performance	Reception
25.07.25	Sports Day and Picnic 11.30-1.30pm	Nursery
25.07.25	Celebration Afternoon	Year 6 Families
25.07.25	Break up for Summer	Whole School Including Nursery

Remember when...

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Executive Headteacher

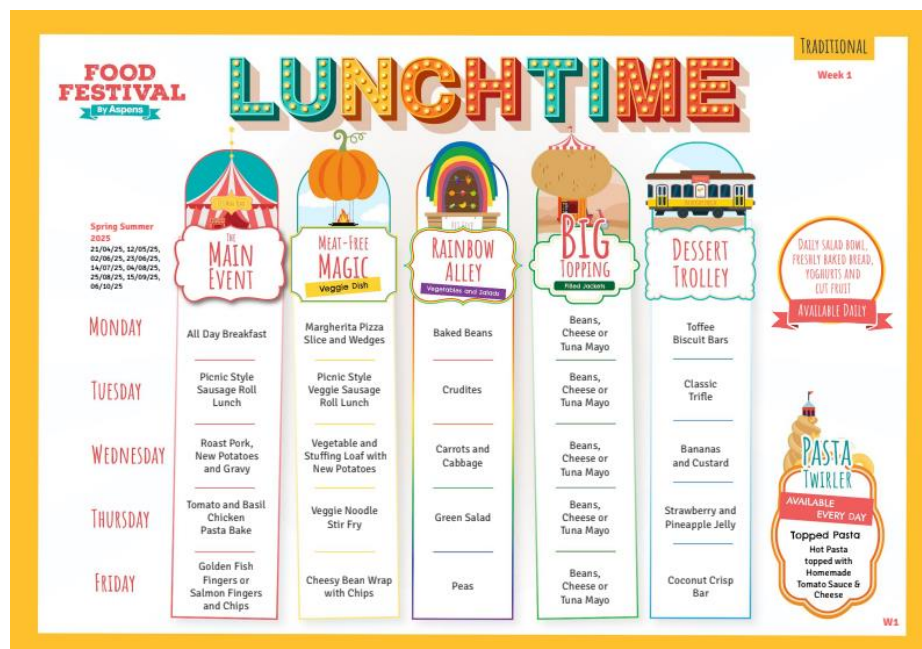
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We have been reviewing our archives. Take a walk down memory lane with us, who do you recognise? Share your memories and help us keep our history alive by sending us a message @IPMATGawthorpe





“Return to school support”

Do you have worries about your child's return to school in September?

Would you like strategies on what you could do to try to help your child?

Would you like to speak to somebody and get advice on what could be done to help?

If you have answered “yes” to any of the above, then the “Return to school support” service is available for parents and carers throughout the school summer holidays.

We have Educational Improvement Teachers (EITs) available to take your call to listen to your worries and provide support, signposting and impartial advice.

The EITs are available to take your telephone call on the following dates:

Tuesday 5 th August, 2025	10am – 4.00pm
Tuesday 12 th August, 2025	
Tuesday 19 th August, 2025	
Tuesday 26 th August, 2025	
Tuesday 2 nd September, 2025	
Tuesday 9 th September, 2025	
Tuesday 16 th September, 2025	
Tuesday 23 rd September, 2025	



Please call the Educational Psychology Service on **01924 307403** and ask to speak to an EIT.

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