

6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been a very productive week at school; we have enjoyed a fantastic few days filled with creativity, community and some wonderful hands-on learning across all year groups.

A big thank you to all the Year 1 parents and carers who joined us for our Inspire afternoon. It was wonderful to see you working alongside the children to recreate buildings from the Great Fire of London inspired by their history topic.

Our youngest learners also had a special week as we welcomed Reception parents for our Reading Event. Sharing a book is one of the most powerful ways to support a child's development. Thank you for making the time to support our little readers.

Looking ahead to our final week, we are excited to participate in Children's Mental Health Week. This year's theme is "My Voice Matters," focusing on empowering children to express themselves and share what they need to feel supported. We will be exploring how our school and our community provide a space where every child's voice is heard and valued.

Tuesday also marks Safer Internet Day. We will be launching the day with a special assembly led by our Year 6 Digital Leaders. It is a great opportunity to talk with your children about how they navigate the digital world safely and responsibly. We will be holding a parent safeguarding session with a focus on Online Safety on Tuesday 24th February, please complete the Google form sent out to request your place.

As we move into this last week of term, we have been taking a moment to reflect on everything the children have accomplished. We are immensely proud of the achievements and progress every student has made this half-term. Their resilience, hard work and curiosity continue to inspire us every day.

Well done everyone!

Mrs A Berry
Executive Headteacher

Mrs A Bateman
Head of School

 Be Respectful

 Be Responsible

 Be Reflective



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Be Ready to Learn

Careers Week

Week beginning 2nd March we will be hosting a careers week in school. We will be inviting visitors into school to share with the children inspirational careers that may inspire the children.

If you think you would be able to give an hour of your time at some point during this week to discuss your career, please contact Mrs Dearnley via email ldearnley@inspirepartnership.org.uk

We would love some practical careers eg: plumbers, hairdressers, builders, beauticians, joiners etc

Attendance

Here is our weekly attendance update. Well done Year 4 who have achieved the best overall attendance this week. **As a school, we strive to ensure our weekly attendance is at least 97%** and your continued support is vital.

Year Group	This week's school attendance %
Reception	95.00%
Year 1	92.96%
Year 2	96.21%
Year 3	96.67%
Year 4	97.86%
Year 5	94.67%
Year 6	91.67%
Whole School	95.00%

School Diary Dates		
Date	Event	Year Group
09.02.26	SEND Coffee Morning 9am - 10am	Whole School
10.02.26	Stay and Play - Chinese New Year	Nursery
13.02.26	Valentines Bake Sale 3.15pm	Whole School
13.02.26	Break Up Today	Whole School Including Nursery
23.02.26	INSET Day - School Closed	Whole School Including Nursery
24.02.26	Return To School	Whole School Including Nursery
28.02.26	Nursery Open Morning	New Nursery Parents
02.03.26	Careers Week	Whole School
05.03.26	World Book Day	Whole School
09.03.26 to 11.03.26	Bikeability	Year 5
09.03.26	First Steps Together	New Nursery Parents
16.03.26	First Steps Together	New Nursery Parents

18.03.26	INSPIRE Afternoon 1.30pm	Year 2
20.03.26	Red Nose Day	Whole School
26.03.26	Spring Fair 10am - 11.30am	Nursery and Reception
27.03.26	Break Up Today	Whole School Including Nursery
13.04.26	Return To School	Whole School Including Nursery
27.04.26	Parent's evening 3:30pm – 6:00pm	Reception - Year 5
29.04.26	Parent's evening 3:30pm – 6:00pm	Reception - Year 5
01.05.26	Sports Day	Whole School
06.05.25	Class School Photos	Whole School Including Nursery
07.05.26	INSPIRE Afternoon 1.30pm	Reception
11.05.26	KS2 SATs Week	Year 6
20.05.26	Grandparent's Day	Nursery
21.05.26	Break Up Today	Whole School Including Nursery
22.05.26	INSET Day	Whole School Including Nursery
08.06.26	Return To School	Whole School Including Nursery
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23.06.26	Open Classroom	All classes
13.06.26	Nursery Open Morning	New Nursery Parents
19.06.26	Farm Trip	Reception
09.07.26	End of Year Disco	Year 6
17.07.26	End of Year Performance	Year 6
20.07.26 - 22.07.26	Residential	Year 6
21.07.26	End of Year Performance and picnic	Reception and Nursery
24.07.26	Celebration Afternoon	Year 6 Families
24.07.26	Break Up Today	Whole School



Valentine's Bake Sale

Friday 13th
February
3.15pm

Gawthorpe PTFA will be holding a bake sale in the bottom playground after school on Friday 13th February. Please come along to buy a treat for you and a loved one.

We will have some vegan/dairy free options.

We would also be very grateful for any donations of yummy treats, to be dropped off at the school office on the Friday morning.

All money raised goes towards extra activities and experiences for the children.




Winter Festival

Celebrate the chill with warmth, laughter, and a touch of winter magic. Lots of fun activities building snowmen, ice adventure and much much more.

16th - 20th February

Full day £30 -7.30 till 6
AM 7.30-12.30 /PM 1.00-6 -£15
Activity session 9-3 £18
bring your own dinner ,snacks, breakfast and tea provided

please book through the arbut app or speaking to someone in school office



SEND COFFEE MORNING

Gawthorpe Community Academy

Monday 9th February 2026

Come and join us between 9-10am for a hot drink, biscuit and chat. We will have our advisory teachers in attendance who can provide a listening ear, give professional advice or sign post you for further support. Please confirm your attendance by emailing jdarby@inspirepartnership.org.uk.

Look forward to seeing you there!



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