

Gislingham C of E Primary School

April 2024

Dear Families,

Two weeks into the Summer term and the good old British summer has provided us with cold, rain and even frost! However, the weather has not dampened the spirits of the children, who are excelling themselves as usual. We are still awaiting the Ofsted report, which we hope will be with you before the May half term. There have been many things happening already this term which I would like to share with you in this newsletter.

JRSO update - The JRSOs have been busy again trying to improve the safety of all our children in the village. You will see that they have been increasing the number of parking restriction cones around the school and, although I can understand that parking near to the school is a benefit to you, some of the parking is causing hazards and creating an environment for potential risk. Please see this report from the JRSOs - "You may have noticed the new parking cones outside school helping to encourage safe and responsible driving and parking. We will continue to complete regular traffic observations before and after school. We are currently busy designing a poster to advertise our BE BRIGHT BE SEEN day on Monday 24th June alongside other activities that help to raise awareness around road safety. Not long now until "walk to school week" (Monday 20th May-Friday 24th May.) We will be giving out packs to every child the week before and encourage as many of you to join in as you can! We are always happy to receive feedback or ideas about all things road safety so please do not hesitate to get in contact with us via the school email! Keep safe. From the Gislingham JRSOs.



Farming Schools - Patrick Barker was in school last week with his tractor to help the children experience part of farming life. As always, Patrick was able to answer questions and teach the children more about the use of a tractor on a farm and the benefits of farming to all of us. Thanks again Patrick.

Careers Day - This was a highly successful and enjoyable day for all. We had an array of different outfits from doctors to firefighters, from actors to YouTubers and everything in-between. Most importantly, we had many visitors who helped to inspire children to consider future careers in industries some of them had never even heard of. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this day and well done to Mrs Read and the School Council for organising the day! Mr Foster has been in school all afternoon on Friday to inspire the children to join the armed forces, so Careers day really has turned into **Careers Week!**





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Pupil Prophet

Some Year 4 children have been working together to design and write their own school newspaper, which they are calling the 'Pupil Prophet'. They have asked all children to design a front cover in the style of a newspaper and give in to their teachers before next Friday. If your child would like to enter, please encourage them to do so.

In other news...

We will be sending a separate email with key messages and upcoming dates very shortly.

I hope you all have a safe and pleasant weekend.

Kind regards,

Richard Benstock
Headteacher

