



Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

I am delighted to share with you the **fantastic news** that we have been awarded the **Artsmark Silver Award!** The Artsmark process embeds and extends the arts provision at St. Gilbert's to enrich the learning for all pupils. The Arts Council England commented '*there is a strong sense of ambition to take the learning from arts-based projects such as The Big Draw and Arts Weeks forward. There is an assortment of interesting and exciting arts activities available to pupils, from the school's regular timetabled 'Creative Fridays' and 'Youth University' afternoons, to whole school projects such as iSingPop . Your 'Friends' programme, focussing on improving pupils' mental health and emotional wellbeing through creativity is increasing pupils' self-confidence*'. **An enormous thank you to Mrs Camp and to Mrs Dawson and Mrs Warner who have supported her in gaining this award**

DIARY DATES

25/06/2019	Non Uniform Day Donations to the Summer Festival
28/06/2019	EYFS Collective Worship to Parents 9:00am- Hall
28/06/2019	Year 3&4 Food & Farming Day
02/07/2019	Sports Day EYFS and Year 1 & 2 beginning at 1:00pm
03/07/2019	Sports Day KS2- beginning at 1:00pm

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Each week we announce the attendance percentages for each class, recognising improvement and the class who has achieved the best attendance!

*Congratulations to Milne Class
who had 99.18%
attendance last week.
FANTASTIC!*

Foundation Stage

This week in Foundation Stage the children have been busy once again learning and exploring in lots of practical ways. In Maths, the children have been exploring money. We learnt about the different colours, sizes and shapes of the coins as well as how they can be added together to make different values. The children enjoyed pretending to visit a sweet shop with their pennies to buy different priced sweets, working out what combination of coins they needed for the different price tags.

During Character Education, the children have been thinking hard about the importance of "gratitude". In Circle time, they have explored and shared together the things they are thankful for, and why it is important to say thank you to other people. The children came up with some fantastic ideas about how they could show their gratitude such as, making a card or giving someone a lovely smile!



Key Stage 1

Years 1 and 2 have been drafting some persuasive writing this week in Science after they found out that an Oak tree sapling was to be felled in the school grounds. The children have been learning about the value of these beautiful trees and their benefit to wildlife as a safe habitat. Will Mr. Diamond be persuaded by their letters not to fell the tree?



In Maths this week, Year 1 have been creating subtraction and addition stories whereby naughty rabbits have been pulling up carrots and some well-behaved ones have been planting more! Year 2 have been using Deines tens and ones to solve subtraction problems and trying out the new column method. Some children have even been carrying tens. Wow!

The children were very excited to have their turn with Mrs Oakley for PE this week when we practised races for the Sports day. Mrs Oakley said that the children were fabulous and their listening skills were excellent. We were very proud of their behaviour and we are looking forward to showing everyone our new skills.

Key Stage 2

It has been a busy and exciting week in Year 3 and 4! On Monday, the Year 3s went to Burghley House for a beautifully (sunny!) day in the sculpture gardens. They split in to two groups and took time in the Garden of Surprises to appreciate their surroundings and create some **careful and considered** sketching. The other group took part in a workshop, **sculpting intricate designs** into clay which were then moulded into plaster of paris. The children couldn't believe how quickly the plaster set! We learnt that the water creates an exothermic reaction! The children **love finding connections with our learning** and this was a great way to link back to our Science topic of changing states. Once the groups had swapped around, we met in the park for a lovely picnic lunch and a run around. After lunch, we took a walk around the magnificent sculpture gardens. The children were particularly impressed with the huge replica of Kylo Ren's TIE Silencer designed by Colin Furze! We were so lucky to have such wonderful weather and would like to thank Stamford Young People's Charity once again for their kind donation which enables us to enjoy this trip with the Year 3s each year.



Key Stage 2

This week in Y5.6, as part of My Money Week, we have been discussing how we can take responsibility of our money, how to manage it, how we can save money and what we might want to save up for. The children had some great ideas with many thinking carefully about their future! We then created a class 'Giving Pledge' where each of the children all agreed to give something to someone which does not involve money; some of these included sharing their talents with others, donating old toys to children in hospital and to charities, donating artefacts to museums and giving food to the food bank. Also, we had great class discussions based around the statement 'Footballers are paid too much money.' The children were all very passionate about their beliefs; they listened carefully to each other and were respectful with others' views.

We had an arty afternoon on Wednesday where the children have begun their artist study of Roy Lichtenstein. They then recreated some pop-art in his style and went 'dotty' with their artwork. Next week looks at them creating their own artwork in the style of Lichtenstein.



Message from Lincolnshire County Council

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2019 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as possible. Applications can be made online at the website below or a paper application form can be requested from the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooltransport. Queries can be emailed to schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk

PTA

Hopefully you have received a letter with a book of raffle tickets. Spares are available from reception.

We have some amazing raffle prizes once again. Please see the poster of prizes on the next page, we have also now added:

- Sacrewell Farm Family Day Entry
 - Belton House Family Day Entry
 - Rutland Water Mini Golf Family Ticket
- And we're sure more will be added!

Please return your completed raffle stubs via the PTA Post Box. More tickets are available from Reception if you would like or could sell to other family members.

Please can we ask that if you do not wish to purchase any raffle tickets that you return the ticket book to us via the PTA Post Box so we can still sell them.

Thank you

St Gilbert's PTA

Mini Olympics

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Children in Year 4 attended Mini-Olympics at Grantham on Wednesday and participated in a variety of exciting Olympic and Para-Olympic games. The spirit of the Olympics was set as soon as we arrived, as all the children paraded around the stadium to the sound of cheering and clapping. After a wonderful opening ceremony, the children enjoyed being part of a team and developing their skills in exciting new sports. The children showed great sportsmanship and support as they cheered each other on and encouraged each other.

Luckily, the weather was kind to us and we only had one small downpour, which meant we had to have lunch early. The children didn't complain too much!

Thank you to Isabella, Oliver, Finn and Orla who represented our Bronze Ambassadors for this event. They did an amazing job and helped the Year 4 children to keep going and persevere. Well done to all!



RAFFLE Prizes

£100 JOHN LEWIS <i>Gift Voucher</i> <small>DONATED BY NEST ESTATE AGENTS</small>	CHAMPAGNE AFTERNOON TEA <small>FOR TWO at <i>The George</i></small>
£50 SPACE NK <i>Gift Voucher</i> <small>DONATED BY ALL ELECTRICS</small>	RUTLAND FARM PARK <small>FREE ENTRY for family of four</small>
BASIL & FORD <i>Goodie Bag</i>	BOOMF Voucher <small>CREATE YOUR OWN 9 BOX OF PERSONALISED MALLOWES</small>
LITTLE SPLASH <i>Swimming Lessons</i> <small>5 FREE SESSIONS BABY-96MTHS</small>	THE YARD <i>Free Entry</i>
SARAH DAVENPORT DESIGNS <i>Handmade Lampshade</i> <small>USING VINTAGE-STYLE FABRIC OF YOUR CHOICE</small>	WAITROSE <i>Goodie Bag</i> <small>INCLUDING PROSECCO, GIN AND CHOCOLATES</small>
KAREN NEALE <i>Print</i>	£30 GARIE NIGEL HAIRWORKS <i>Gift Voucher</i>
PREMIER EDUCATION <i>Voucher</i> <small>FOR ONE SUMMER SPORTS CAMP SESSION</small>	STAMFORD ARTS CENTRE <i>Gift Voucher</i>
HAMBLETON BAKERY <i>Hamper</i> <small>FILLED WITH TASTY BAKED GOODS</small>	GEL MANICURE <i>at Flawless Faces</i>
HOTEL CHOCOLAT <small>CHOCOS TO CHILL SELECTION</small>	£1 Pop Rickle