



Primary School

Friday 16th October 2026

What an amazing and sporty week we have had in school. We are incredibly proud of our children and the way they have represented Gosfield with such determination, teamwork and joy. This week, our pupils took part in the Girls' Football, Cut Hedge Cross Country, and the Boys' Football Tournament - three brilliant events that showcased their resilience and enthusiasm.

You'll find photos of the events and the Year 6 match reports at the bottom of this newsletter. They've captured the spirit of the week perfectly.

We are already looking forward to next week, with even more sporting opportunities ahead, including another football competition and a cross-country event. We wish all our teams the very best of luck - we know they will make us proud.

Last night, you should have received an explanation of how you can support your child at home. This outlines our expectations for reading, times tables, and spellings, and offers practical ways you can continue supporting your child's learning outside of school. Thank you for working in partnership with us.

Parents' Evening bookings are now live and can be made through Arbor. We look forward to welcoming you into school and celebrating your child's progress.

Christmas dates have now been added to the bottom of the newsletter:

- Kahlo & Attenborough - 8th & 9th December
- Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner Day - 10th December
- Jemison, Hawking & Luther King Jr Winter Concert - 15th December
- Carols on the Playground - 18th December

Behind the scenes, FroGS are busy organising some exciting new events. We hope you will support these, as they play a vital role in helping us fund additional resources for the children. Already this term, FroGS have purchased beautiful new sketchbooks for every child, raising expectations and elevating the quality of our art work across the school. Keep your eyes peeled for their upcoming Halloween and Christmas events.

Finally, a gentle reminder: now that the weather has started to turn, please ensure your child comes to school with a named coat.

Wishing you all a restful weekend after a week full of energy, pride and achievement.

Mrs Bower



Raising the bar in everything we do: Because our children deserve the best.

SWAP SHOP

Thanks to the hard work of Mr Terry and the Eco Team, we will be holding a School Uniform Swap Shop in the school hall on Monday immediately after school.

There will be a range of pre-loved school uniform available. Families are welcome to come along, have a browse, and take any items they need free of charge.

We hope this will help support our school community while reducing waste and encouraging sustainability.

YOU SAID, WE DID

In our recent parent survey, many of you shared that information can sometimes feel a little last-minute and that you would appreciate an overview of trips and visits for the year. With this in mind, we have created a 'Trip Overview' for the academic year, which you will find at the bottom of the newsletter. This outlines our core offer, though additional experiences may be added as opportunities arise, along with sporting events for all year groups. We also hope that the Christmas dates shared give everyone plenty of notice. After half term, we will be holding an Open Classroom Afternoon on Friday 13th November at 2.45pm where you will have the chance to look through your child's books and hear directly from the class teacher about the learning for the upcoming half term. This information will also be included in the Curriculum Snapshot that week and uploaded to our website.

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Kahlo and Attenborough	Seasonal village walks Hedingham Castle	Seasonal village walks Boydell's Farm	Seasonal village walks Seaside
Jemison and Hawking	National Gallery, London	Mobile Space Dome	Sutton Hoo & Residential for Year 5 and Sleepover for Year 4
Luther King Jr.	Crucial Crew & Essex Police Museum	Natural History Museum, London	Seaside & Residential

SWIMMING

A quick update regarding swimming: **Year 6 will not have swimming next Wednesday** due to their visit to Crucial Crew, but they will have their final session the week after half term. After this, Year 5 will begin their swimming sessions on Wednesdays, followed by Year 4 in the spring term. We are organising swimming this way because it is a key part of the Year 4 PE curriculum, and research shows that the earlier children learn to swim, the more confident and capable they become in the water. This year's structure also ensures that all year groups catch up and reach the point they should be in their swimming progression.

NATURE SCHOOL

After half term, our Nature School days will change slightly due to staffing. On Mondays, the sessions will now be for the children who are invited as part of their intervention. On Thursdays, Nature School will be for Reception, and on Fridays, it will run for the year group of the half term. Next half term, it is Year 2's turn to enjoy their weekly Nature School sessions. Thank you for your understanding as we make these adjustments to ensure the provision continues smoothly and meaningfully for all children.

Please ensure your child comes with a change of clothes for Nature School - layers, a waterproof coat, and wellies are essential now that the weather is turning. We do have spare waterproof coats and trousers available if needed, so don't worry if something is forgotten. A gentle reminder to label all clothing and wellie boots, as this helps us return items quickly and keeps our cloakrooms running smoothly.

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS

Class	Class winner
Attenborough Class	Thomas- 5,252 coins
Jemison Class	Ellie- 23,247 coins
Hawking Class	Daisy- 23,405 coins
Luther King Jr. Class	Ella- 34,615 coins



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Kahlo Class	97.6%
Attenborough Class	98.8%
Jemison	98.5%
Hawking Class	98.8%
Luther King Class	94.1%
Whole school	97.4%

WINNING WORD COUNT – FROM 09.10.2026 TO 16.10.2026

	1st	2nd	3rd	Class total
Jemison	Bella- 41,762	Isabel- 32,403	Anna- 23,240	160,965 words
Hawking	Aubrey- 58,290	Ophelia- 44,371	Éirinn- 35,058	179,624 words
Luther King Jr.	Gabe- 77,325	Harriet- 54,363	Thomas C- 22,439	154,127 words

	RAISE	Writer of the week	Mathematician of the week
Kahlo Class	Arthur	Florence	Maddie
Attenborough Class	Louie	Charlie	Theo
Jemison Class	Skye	Amara	Jacob
Hawking Class	Rosie	Bobby	Ophelia
Luther King Jr Class	Ivy	Ava	Hugo

HOUSE POINTS

	Weekly points
Cowell	526
Donaldson	481
Morpurgo	502
Rosen	580

UPCOMING DATES FOR THE TERM

Tuesday 20th October- Year 5&6 Boys Football competition at Ramsey, Halstead

Wednesday 21st October- Luther King Jr Class Crucial Crew visit

Wednesday 21st October- Cross-Country at St. Peter's, Sible Hedingham

Tuesday 20th October and Thursday 22nd October- Parents Evening

Friday 23rd October- INSET day

Friday 6th November- Panatholn 10 pin Bowling event (more details to follow)

Friday 6th November- FroGS Halloween Trail after school

Friday 13th November- Open Classroom at 2.45pm

Thursday 19th November- Kahlo Class and Attenborough Class trip to Hedingham Castle

Friday 27th November- Luther King Jr. Class trip to Essex Police Museum

Saturday 28th November- Halstead Christmas Fayre- Choir to perform (more details to follow)

Tuesday 1st December- KS2 Pickleball Competition (more details to follow)

Tuesday 1st December- KS2 Netball Competition at St. Peter's (more details to follow)

Wednesday 2nd December- Jemison Class and Hawking Class trip to the National Gallery, London (more details to follow)

Saturday 5th December- FroGS Christmas Fayre 10:00-2.00

Tuesday 8th December- Kahlo and Attenborough Christmas Nativity at 5.30

Wednesday 9th December- Kahlo and Attenborough Christmas Nativity at 1.30

Thursday 10th December- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 5th December- Winter Concert for Jemison, Hawking and Luther King Jr Class at 5.30

Friday 18th December- Carols on the Playground at 2.15





In our first match year 6 and 5 team we play really well and we show great confidence even when we lost. Our best games were a astonishing 3-0 and 2-0 nil win for both team 1 and team 2. Gosfield came 3rd out of 6 teams, achieving a brilliant finishing in the table out of some experience teams.

Our players of the match were Joshua for team 1 and Ollie for team 2. Our goalscorers were Ollie with 3 Gabe with 1 and Joshua and Emmanuel with 2 each and Jude with 1. And most others almost score. Our top assisters were Thomas with 2 and Bobby Gabe Jude and Emmanuel with 1.

Emmanuel Thomas and Gabe Frankie and Oscar and Ollie

MATCH REPORTS- WRITTEN BY YEAR 6

Tuesday 13th October 2026

Girls football tournament / match 1:

In the first ~~most~~ match the year 5 and 6 girls pushed through / keeping the first half 0-0. In the second half the year 5 and 6's hard work led to a clear goal placed bottom corner by ava turner. Ending the match 1-1.

Match 2:

In the second match the the year 5 and 6 girls were like a brick wall depending in the back. Ella, Seren and Mia ^{made} making hard tackles at the back. While Violet, Ava and flo ^{made} making great ^{passes} passing up the pitch while daisy ^{or} has making great saves in goal. Ending the ~~last match~~ second match 0-0.

Final match / match 3:

In the third match it was the best one because Violet did a shocking goal that made everyone jump up and down with joy. Ava scored an outstanding 3 GOALS in 1 match! And ending the last match ~~four~~ 4-1 to gosfield. Everyone played well and at the end of the day we had great fun.

Ava, Mia, Violet and Ella