St Giles Primary and Nursery School Office Friday Flyer!

Achieving through kindness, compassion and perseverance

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEKS AHEAD	
Monday 10th November	•
Tuesday 11th November	• Football Club after school with Mr Williams Y3-6.
Wednesday 12th November	•
Thursday 13th November	• Swimming for Class 3
Friday 14th November	• Children in Need – see below for full details
Monday 17th November	•
Tuesday 18th November	• Class 3 Dodgeball event at the Arc. 1.30pm – 3.00pm – Please provide consent in Arbor trips • Football Club after school with Mr Williams Y3-6
Wednesday 19th November	•
Thursday 20th November	• Swimming for Class 3
Friday 21st November	•

OTHER NEWS

- **Parent Pay Outstanding Balances** – A huge thank you to everyone for settling all outstanding balances by the deadline of 31st October.

- **Arbor –** Thank you to everyone for getting on board with our new system. From 3rd November Arbor will be used for all school communication and payments. Please ensure that all your wraparound care requirements are booked. If you make a booking and then find you no longer need it please let the office know so that it can be amended. We may not be able to accept any children who are not booked in in advance.

- **Children in Need -** We're really looking forward to supporting **Children in Need** on **Friday 14th November**. Miss Bridges and our School Council have been busy planning some exciting fundraising ideas for the day:
  Cake Sale after school – donations of homemade or shop-bought cakes are very welcome.
  Wear your pyjamas to school – a cosy, comfy and fun way to take part (no uniform needed!).
  Penalty Shoot-Out against the Teachers – always a big hit!
  Loom Bands for Sale – made and sold by our creative School Council members.
  We're so proud of the children's ideas and enthusiasm for helping others. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and support in making days like this so special.

- **MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER – REMINDER THAT THIS IS AN INSET DAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO PUPILS FOR STAFF TRAINING.**

- **Friday 19th December** – As this is the last day of the Autumn Term there will be **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB.**

- **Nut Free School –** A gentle reminder that we are a **nut free school**. This means **no nuts or nut products** (including peanut butter, Nutella, cereal bars with nuts etc.) should be brought into school. We have children with nut allergies and even a small trace can cause a serious reaction. Your support helps us keep everyone safe and healthy.

- **Car Park Safety** – **Polite Reminder and for the benefit of our new parents - Please do not use the school car park to drop off and collect your children.** The car park is for staff, visitors and deliveries

only. The safety of your children is our priority and the car park is not a safe place for children at these busy times of the school day. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

- **Water Bottles - Please ensure your child has a water bottle, with their name on (containing only water) in school every day.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01629 56813 or by email with any questions or queries.

Friday updates can be found in the Newsletters section of our school website.

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Monday 24th November	**INSET DAY – School Closed to pupils**
Thursday 27th November	Swimming for Class 3
Monday 1st December	Christmas Jumper Swap
Thursday 4th December	Last Swimming for Class 3 until after Christmas
Wednesday 10th December	Christmas Crafts for Nursery children and September 2026 new starters. 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Thursday 11th December	Pantomime at Buxton Opera House – Whole School NO SWIMMING for Class 3
Friday 12th December	Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Crafts and Secret Santa
Wednesday 17th December	Infant Nativity 2.00pm
Thursday 18th December	Infant Nativity 5.00pm NO SWIMMING for Class 3
Friday 19th December	**Christingle Service in St Giles Church at 2:30pm** **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB** **Last day of term**
Monday 5th January	First day of the Spring Term
Thursday 8th January	NO SWIMMING FOR Class 3
Thursday 15th January	Swimming for Class 3 Deadline for Primary School Applications for Sept 2026
Friday 30th January	Young Voices for Class 4
Monday 23rd February	**INSET Day – School Closed to pupils**
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
Friday 20th March	Comic Relief/Red Nose Day
Thursday 26th March	Easter Service – details to follow
Friday 27th March	Easter Bonnet Parade and PTFA Mini Easter Fair Last day of term
Monday 4th May	**May Day Bank Holiday**
Monday 11th May	KS2 SATS – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
Tuesday 12th May	KS2 SATS – English Reading Paper
Wednesday 13th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 1 & 2
Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 3
Friday 15th May	Y6 Celebration at Whitworth Park
Monday 1st June	**INSET Day – School Closed to pupils**
Wednesday 24th June	**SPORTS DAY**
Wednesday 1st July	**Year 6 Transition Day at Lady Manners**
Thursday 2nd July	**Year 6 Transition Day at Highfields**
Thursday 23rd July	**Last Day of term** **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**


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WE'RE RAISING MONEY FOR
BBC CHILDREN IN NEED
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ST GILES PARISH CHURCH MATLOCK CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

A Christmas Tree Festival will take place at St Giles Parish Church, Matlock from Thursday 11th December to Sunday 21st December.

The church will be filled with decorated trees supplied by a wide selection of businesses, clubs, churches, schools, charities etc from the Matlock area. Most of the trees will be real, with others being abstract or artificial.

The festival will be open with a short service on Thursday 11 December at 6pm followed by refreshments. Church will be open each day from 10am – 4pm, except Sunday 12noon – 4pm. (except Fridays 12th & 19th from2.30 - 3.30pm due to school services).

On Saturday 13th December from 10am – noon there will be a craft session, open to all, including Christmas Wreaths, cards and tree decorations – there will be a charge for these items.

Later on the Saturday, at 3pm, there will be a Cake and Carols Service, open to all.

The traditional Carol Service of lessons and carols will be held on Wednesday 17th December at 7.30pm followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Throughout the Festival there will be a Children's mouse hunt to complete.

Refreshments will be available each day from 10am – 3.30pm, and Sunday 12noon – 3.30pm.

The Festival is free to visit, with any donations going to the upkeep of St Giles Church and The Children's Society.

The Tree Festival will close on Sunday 21st December with a Thanksgiving at the end of the 9.30am Eucharist. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

If you are interested in taking part in the Tree Festival by donating and decorating a tree, please contact for further details:

- Claire Drabble - email: claire_drabble@hotmail.com or phone 0770960541

Notes for people taking part

- Each tree will be allocated a position, number and name label
- The tree can be erected in church between 9am Wednesday 10th Dec and 4pm Thursday 11th
- The tree should be between 3 – 5ft in height
- The tree should be freestanding, in a pot, stand or base
- Any lights should be battery powered they will be turned on and off by church each day
- You may include information/ advertising leaflets
- All trees should be removed between noon Sunday 21 Dec. and 4pm Monday 22nd

Fiona Gymnastics







After School Gymnastics Sessions

Thursdays in term time
Starting Thursday 6 November 2025

Children are taken to the hall after school at 3.15pm for a 15 minute break, then the session starts at 3.30pm

3.30pm—4.15pm
£5.00 a session (paid half termly)

Sessions incorporate floor work, agility, apparatus and Rhythmic Gymnastics. Musical and fun!

For further information and to book a place email: fionagymnastics@outlook.com







COME AND JOIN US FOR

Christmas Crafts

Who: Nursery and reception 2026 starters

When: Wednesday 10th December at 3:30pm - 4:30pm

What: make a variety of different Christmas crafts with Mrs Taylor, Mrs Rodgers and Miss Simpson.

Mince pies, cookies and drinks available all whilst listening to Christmas music!

NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST TURN UP!

Autumn & Winter Menu

Available Daily: Bread, Salad, Fruit, Yoghurt & Drinking Water

CELEBRATING 120 YEARS OF SCHOOL MEALS

Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	Beef Bolognese with Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Crispy Chicken or Quorn Burger V in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Seasonal Vegetables	Pork or Vegetarian V Toad in the Hole with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Sweet & Sour Quorn Dippers Ve with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers with Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
Alternative Choice	Margherita Pizza V & Seasonal Vegetables	Pasta with a Creamy Tomato Sauce V & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cauliflower Bake V with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetarian Mince Layered Tortilla Stack V with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetable Fingers Ve with Chips, Baked Beans & Peas
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
Dessert	NEW Gingerbread Cookie	Chocolate Orange Muffin	Bitesize Cornflake Bar with Fruit	NEW Lemon Sponge Tart	Autumn Fruit Crumble with Custard

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Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	NEW Chicken Goujons with Homemade BBQ Sauce, Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza V with Seasonal Vegetables	Yorkshire Pudding with Beef Hot Pot / Roast Pork / Quorn Fillet V with Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Big Breakfast with Sausage & Bacon or Vegan Breakfast Ve, Hash Browns, Baked Beans & Tomatoes	NEW Harry Ramsden's Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Seasonal Vegetables
Alternative Choice	Five Bean Chilli Taco Ve with Mixed Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Bolognese Ve with Pasta, Seasonal Vegetables & Garlic Dough Balls	Cheese & Tomato Puff Pastry Swirl V with Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Cook's Choice of Filling V & Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy Cheesy Pasta Bake V with Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread Slice	Chocolate Cracknel	Bitesize Sprinkle Cake with Fruit	Jelly & Fruit	NEW Jam Roly Poly & Custard

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Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	Vegetarian Sausage Roll Ve, with Baked Beans, Herby Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Pork or Vegan Meatball Sub Ve with a side of Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Roast of the Day or Quorn Fillet Ve with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken or Vegetable V Curry with Mixed Rice, Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
Alternative Choice	Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce Ve & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Filling V & Seasonal Vegetables	Old School Cheesy Potato & Bean Pie V with Seasonal Vegetables	Mac & Cheese V with Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Pizza Panini V with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal. - Please speak with your school for their selection.				
Dessert	NEW Toffee Apple Muffin	Bitesize Chocolate Crunch with Fruit	Cook's Choice of Mousse	NEW Carrot Cake Cookie	NEW Saucy Chocolate Pudding

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For further information and the allergen matrix please visit: www.schoolmeals.derbyshire.gov.uk

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School Calendar 2025/26

August 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31					1	2	3
32	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
33	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
34	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
35	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2025 (19)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
36	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
37	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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39	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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October 2025 (18)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
40			1	2	3	4	5
41	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
42	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
43	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
44	27	28	29	30	31		

November 2025 (20)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
44						1	2
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47	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
48	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2025 (15)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
49	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
50	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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January 2026 (20)							
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February 2026 (15)							
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March 2026 (20)							
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April 2026 (14)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
14			1	2	3	4	5
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May 2026 (15)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
18					1	2	3
19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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21	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

June 2026 (22)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
23	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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July 2026 (17)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27			1	2	3	4	5
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