



GLoucester House

NEWSLETTER

27TH FEBRUARY 2026

Welcome from Chilo, Headteacher and Selina, Clinical Lead

Dear parent/carers,

The first week back after half term has begun well, and we were pleased to welcome our pupils back into school. The warm weather has been a welcome addition as we begin a busy new half term.

At the end of last term, pupils took part in activities to mark and celebrate Lunar New Year, Pancake Day, Ramadan and Children's Mental Health Week. I want to say a huge thank you for the staff who organised the activities and made each of them enjoyable and educational for the pupils.

On our first day back, our whole-school assembly recognised Lent, Lunar New Year and Ramadan. Pupils reflected on the activities that took place to mark these occasions, exploring what connects them and what makes each one unique. Their shared message stood out: be kind, respect one another, celebrate each other, and work as a team.

On Wednesday, pupils enjoyed *100 Days of School*, marking their first 100 days of learning with a range of creative, number-themed activities. It was great to see their enthusiasm and engagement throughout the day.

Have a look on page 3 for pictures and pupils' voice on these activities.

Next week, we will also be saying goodbye to Mia Campbell from our admin team. Mia has been a valued member of our GH community, and while we are sad to see her go, she is moving on to pursue the next step in her career. We are grateful for her hard work, dedication, and contribution to our school.

COMING UP NEXT WEEK!

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Pupils are encouraged to come dressed as a book character of their choice. There will be activities taking place throughout the day to mark the occasion. Pupils will also receive their World Book Day token either by post or by hand, and these can be scanned in participating shops to redeem a free book.



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ATTENDANCE THIS week

Well done to all our pupils for being in school this week. Our attendance this week is 87% which is good. Let's keep it up!

On a Friday, we celebrate pupils' achievements. We have Kindness Champion for those pupils who have shown kindness especially towards adults and with have EDI Champions for pupils who are respectful of differences. Watch this space to see which pupils are our Gloucester House Champions.



WORKSHARE: SEE THE WORK THE PUPILS ARE PROUD OF:

"I am proud of this work because it was easy and fun to count all the stars for 100 days of learning". Pupil in Neptune class



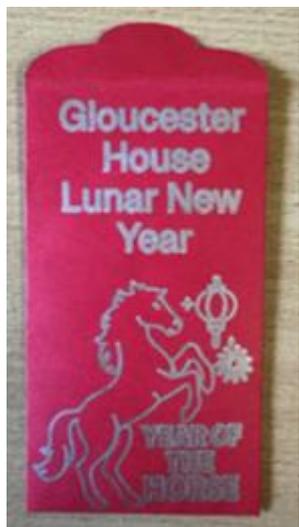
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PANCAKE DAY

Pupils put their taste buds to the test as four staff members went head-to-head in a mystery pancake challenge – tasting each one and trying to guess which staff member had made it. *"Haya's was disgusting; it just didn't taste nice. Eran's was good, Selina's was the best! Hoda's was okay."* Saturn pupil aged 11



LUNAR NEW YEAR

Pupils explored the traditions of Lunar New Year also learning about their own zodiac animals. Each pupil received a Gloucester House personalised red envelope filled with chocolate coins- a symbolic gesture to the gift-giving customs at the heart of this celebration.

RAMADAN

Pupils embarked on a school-wide scavenger hunt in search of a crescent moon before diving into the story of Ramadan. The lesson was brought to an end by the pupils crafting their own lanterns, known as fanoos





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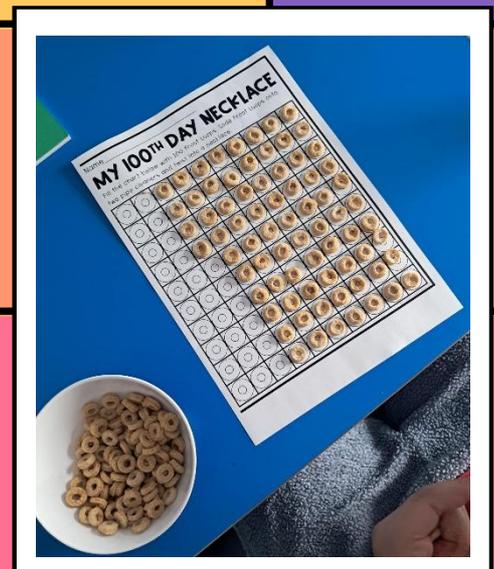
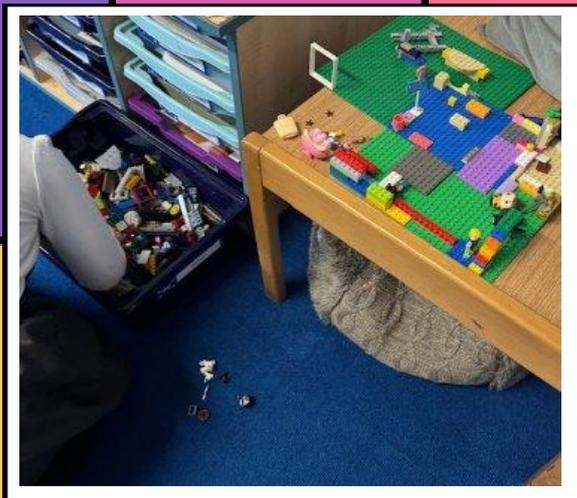
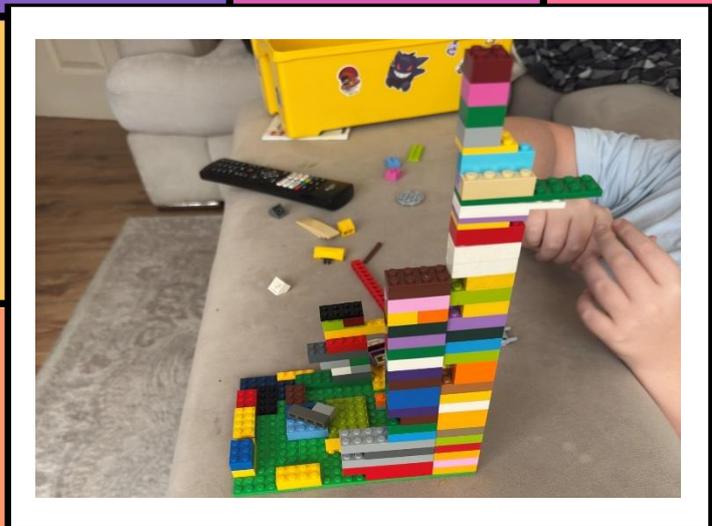
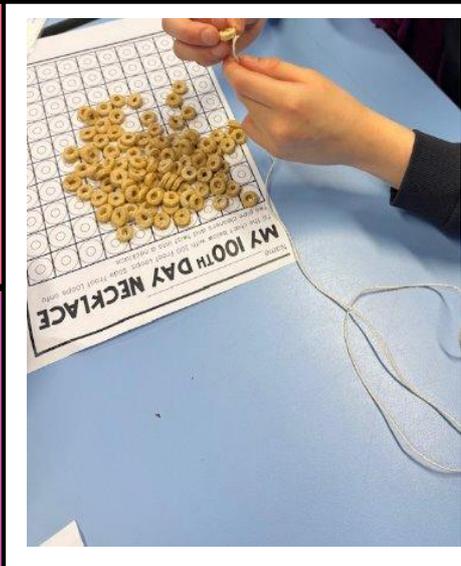
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100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

This week, we took part in 100 days of school where we took part in a range of activities to do with the number 100. Staff and pupils dressed up with T-shirts that symbolised 100. ***"It was fun. My favourite activity was popping the balloons as we have to find the number 100 in it."*** Saturn pupil age 11.

"It was fun! I liked the Cheerios activity where we had to make a chain out of 100 Cheerios." Mars' pupil, 9.





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Gardening Group

Gardening therapy uses gardening activities to help you work together to relax, learn new skills, and grow your own plants

When: TBC

Where: Nurture garden and classroom

Time: TBC

With: Shannon and Euan

Where: Garden

THERAPEUTIC UPDATES

The gardening group started on Wednesday. This is a structured session led by clinical psychology to support pupils to engage with one another.

We also started the parent group this week. Every week there will be a different topic for parents to engage with and ask questions. Thank you for those who have attended. There will be lots of opportunities for parents to ask for things they would like more information on.