

Below you can see our dates for School Values assemblies this year:

Dates for 2023/24

Assembly dates:

17/11/23

02/02/24

15/03/24

17/05/24



Giffnock Primary Awesome Achievers & School Values Certificates

Be at the heart of your child's learning.



Working in Partnership with Families Information Leaflet

Article 29:



Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment

Awesome Achievers

Our children will achieve in many areas of their life and learning and through Awesome Achievers we recognise and celebrate these achievements. This is of great importance for our children's growing self-esteem and confidence. In their Awesome Achievers Records, our children may consider achievements in school but also those outside, including:

- hobbies and interests, such as participating in a sport
- youth work
- volunteering
- caring for a relative
- activities they undertake in the life of the school, such as Eco Schools or Buddying
- their participation in clubs such as Rainbows/ Brownies
- recognised awards or programmes, such as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award

At Giffnock all of our children have their own Awesome Achievers Record. This booklet can either be completed electronically on Google Classroom, or on a paper-based format. This record is used approximately every 8 weeks for children to note special things that they have achieved. Once records are completed each term, the achievements are shared in class. Pupils will have the opportunity to share their journey to the achievement and have it celebrated by their classmates. Class teachers then select achievements to be transferred onto leaves for our 'Achievement Tree' in the brown hall.

School Values Assembly

We use our celebrations and school events to embrace our school values of Respect, Inclusivity, Friendship, Kindness, Honesty and Determination. At our special School Values assemblies, certificates are awarded to pupils who have demonstrated our values during the school day. For example, this could be for showing kindness to others, for showing determination when something was tricky, or for showing respect to classmates and adults in the school. School Values Certificates are not chosen from the achievements in Awesome Achievers Records.

All school staff can nominate pupils for the School Values Certificates and all those who are nominated will receive a special sticker for the corresponding value. Pupils who are awarded certificates at the School Values Assembly are then invited to spend time with Mr. Lawson and the other certificate winners afterwards, to celebrate together.

Language of Learning

Our children are regularly encouraged and taught how to articulate their learning using evaluative and expressive language. Our younger children evidence some of this through their big book of shared learning, with individual 'Learning Journeys' or profiles of learning and achievement developing for every child throughout the school. In Primary 4-7, our children create electronic 'Learning Journey' folders of their progress and achievement.

This aspect of learning helps children to reflect on their development and to share this with parents, carers and families. In developing our children's independence and ability to evaluate and articulate their own learning successfully, and in using a Growth Mindset, we are keen to encourage our children to talk with other pupils, staff and parents about their learning and take account of this feedback to decide upon their next steps. Our Awesome Achievers Records are a great opportunity to further develop this evaluative language with your child.