



Godolphin Primary School  
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### Important Diary Dates:

#### 2023/24 Inset Days:

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**Year 1 Hearing Screening:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

**Music Performance:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm (in school hall)

**Christmas Lunch:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December.  
**Christmas jumpers welcome!**

**Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show:**  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December (1.30pm & 6.00pm)

**Choir singing at GCCA WOW Christmas Lunch:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. (**Please can the choir bring a Christmas jumper or accessory to change into for the singing**).

**Christmas Jumper Days!:** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December (Xmas lunch), Monday 18<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

**Reception Vision Screening:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (info emailed home last week).

### Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 97.97% (of which none was unauthorised). The school target is 96%.

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 98.7%
- Diamond Class: 98%
- Zircon Class: 97.14%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 96.18%.

### Christmas Lunch: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:

If any parents/carers would like to come and help during the lunchtime, please let Mrs. Thomas know.

### Christmas Cards:

The Christmas Card post-box is now available. Please ensure all cards are clearly labelled with first name and surname along with the child's class. Please post by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**. The cards will be given out to the children in the final week of term.

### Music Performance:

Just a reminder that we are inviting all our parents to join us for a short music performance on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm, where all three classes will be sharing some of the amazing musical skills and songs they have been learning this term.

### Emerald Christmas Show:

The Emerald Class did a fantastic job this week giving two outstanding performances of the Christmas show: Angel Express. Pupils performed brilliantly speaking with clarity and confidence. Feedback from the packed audiences was very positive, and praised both the children and staff for all their hard work and dedication. One member of the audience said they were "bursting with pride!".

Thanks to all the staff for their hard work in putting the show together and the children for their incredible efforts. They were all amazing! Thanks also to the PTA for the refreshments. More photos in Google Classroom soon!



### Zircon BF Adventure Visit:

On Monday the Zircon Class had an amazing day at BF Adventure taking part in climbing & archery. More photos will be on the Google Classroom.



### **Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show:**

The Diamond and Zircon Christmas Show is taking place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm and 6.00pm in The Old Chapel. Children will be expected to perform in both shows.

Tickets are still available for sale. **Due to space constraints, each family will be allocated two tickets per show.** Tickets will be £2.00 per ticket. We will be keeping a reserve list for any extra tickets if they become available.

### **Chartwell Menu changes:**

There will be a number of menu changes before the end of term:

#### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:**

Hot-dogs or Quorn hot-dogs (instead of burgers or veg burgers).

#### **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:**

As the Christmas lunch is the next day, the Thursday menu will be served on Wednesday instead. This will be beef bolognese or vegetarian bolognese.

#### **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December:**

Fish fingers & chips or Quorn dippers & chips (instead of chilli or macaroni cheese).

### **PTA Christmas Celebration:**

Don't forget that the amazing PTA Christmas celebration: Wonka Wonderland, will be taking place after school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December!

There will also be cake sale, and the PTA would be grateful for any cake donations! Please bring in cakes to school on the morning of 18<sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks!

### **Maths Whizz:**

Congratulations to our Diamond pupils for winning the Maths Whizz trophy this week. Please could we encourage the children to try their best and achieve their target of 3 blue and 3 red gems each week.

### **Advance warning of road closure:**

We have been informed that, Wildanet, an internet provider company, will be closing the road around school from Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024. We have been assured that work will only be carried out between 9.30am and 2.30pm. and access to school will be maintained throughout all of the works.

### **School Choir:**

A huge 'well done' to the school choir who sang so beautifully on Friday evening at the WI Carol Service. They all sang with great enthusiasm and were excellent ambassadors for the school.

A number of the audience commented on how talented and exceptional the children were.

Next Wednesday they will be busy again, singing for the WOW Christmas lunch and then again at the PTA Christmas Event on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

Many thanks also to Mrs Birkett for taking on the role of Choir Leader!



### **The Big Ambition – Have your say!**

Just a reminder that **The Big Ambition survey** (a national survey of children and young people across England), is still open until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Click [here](#) to open.

The survey aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important!

