



Godolphin Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to the start of the Spring Term. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and enjoyed some quality time with your families.

The children have all settled back into school and are brimming with enthusiasm and eagerness to get stuck into their learning.

Staff have already been hearing some of the children chatting about the exciting new topics they will be covering this term.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns at any time, please contact myself or your class teachers to discuss.

Many thanks, Colin Snook

Important Diary Dates:

2023/24 Inset Days:

- Monday 19th February 2024
- Monday 17th June 2024
- Wednesday 24th July 2024

Diamond Tate Gallery, St Ives Trip:

Wednesday 10th January (consent forms sent home today).

Reception Vision Screening: Monday 15th January 2024 (info emailed home last week).

Zircon Bible Exhibition at Light & Life, Helston: Friday 9th February

Half-term: Monday 12th – Friday 16th February

General reminders:

PE Kit: PE Kits should be in school every day. If you do take it home, please ensure it comes back into school the next day, as PE lessons could take place on any day.

Music Lessons: Piano and woodwind (Tuesdays) and guitar (Mondays) will start next week. Please ensure you have your instruments and music books in school.

A reminder that the guitar teacher has space to start a ukulele group, but needs parents to sign their children up before he can begin. If your child would like to learn ukulele, please visit Cornwall Service Music Trust:
<https://cmst.co.uk/>

Thank you and Happy New Year!

All the staff would like to thank all our amazing families for the wonderful and thoughtful Christmas gifts they received at the end of last term.

Your generosity was much appreciated and we were very grateful.

Chartwell Menu change:

Census Day: Thursday 18th January:

- BBQ Chicken Pizza or
- Veggie Supreme Pizza
- Both served with wedges & salad

- Dessert: chocolate or vanilla ice-cream

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week (Thursday & Friday) was 99.32% (of which none was unauthorised). The school target is 96%.

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 98.91%
- Diamond Class: 99.17%
- Zircon Class: 100%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 96.10%.

Parent Pay:



A gentle reminder to check your balances on ParentPay and pay any outstanding payments.

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch.

Badminton & Multi-Skills Club (Reception/Y1 & NOW Y2):

Back by popular demand is the KS1 badminton & multi-skills club. Consent forms have been sent home today in book-bags.

Mondays: 3.15-4.30pm (Rec, Y1 & Y2)

- Monday 8th January
- Monday 15th January
- Monday 22nd January
- Monday 29th January
- Monday 5th February

Cricket Leader Club:

Tuesdays: 3.15-4.30pm (Y4/5/6)

- Tuesday 9th January
- Tuesday 16th January
- Tuesday 23rd January
- Tuesday 30th January
- Tuesday 6th February

These sessions are being delivered by coaches from the Cornwall Cricket Board assisted by a member of staff. Consent forms have been sent home today in book-bags.

Important information:

A reminder that we have a pupil who has joined us this term who has a nut allergy.

Please could we therefore request that children do not bring any food items into school which contain nuts.

A reminder too that that all children should have a bottle filled with water, not fruit squash, in school every day. Thank you for your co-operation.

Cool Milk:

Once your child turns five, they are no longer eligible for free milk in school. However, you can register your child for school milk. Simply visit www.coolmilk.com/register.

It's super easy and your child can benefit from a nutritious drink of milk to keep them hydrated until lunch.

Advance warning of road closure:

Just a reminder that we have been informed that, Wildanet, an internet provider company, will be closing the road around school from Tuesday 16th – Wednesday 24th 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.

Squashbox Theatre Visit:

The children and staff are really excited to be welcoming Craig from Squashbox Theatre on Monday morning, where he will be performing his show 'Curious Creatures' to the whole school (as well as the Little Dolphins).

He will then be working with the Reception, Y1 & Y2 children, and then the Little Dolphins, delivering puppet-making workshop throughout the day.

Thanks again to the PTA for funding this great opportunity.

Staff News:

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Bousfield who has joined us this week.

Mrs Bousfield will be job sharing with Mrs Bowden on Wednesday afternoons, and also all day on Thursdays and Fridays in the Emerald Class.

Mrs Bousfield is an experienced Early Years and KS1 teacher and is a great addition to the Godolphin team. We're sure you'll join us in welcoming her to the school!

We are also pleased to welcome back Mrs May as our Executive Head. We look forward to working with her again.