



Godolphin Primary School  
'living, learning and laughing together'

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### School Improvement Visit:

Last week we had a school improvement visit with the Crofty Director of Education, Tamsin Lamb and an external education consultant. They spent the day talking to staff and children about their learning.

The feedback from the report was overwhelmingly positive, stating that staff and pupils were enthusiastic about the school and willing to talk wholeheartedly about learning and enrichment activities.

The report is a credit to the whole school community. We would particularly like to thank all of the staff for their dedication and commitment in driving the school forward to enable the best possible educational experience for the pupils.

### 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

**Zircon Bible Exhibition at Light & Life, Helston:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**Half-term:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

**Cross-Country Race 4:** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February: 4pm at Helston Community College (KS2 qualifier) **START TRAINING!**

**Easter holiday:** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June:** Y3/4 School Camp (more information to follow).

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Y5/6 School Camp (more information to follow)

### Children's Mental Health Week:



Place2Be is a children and young people's mental health charity with almost 30 years' experience working with pupils, families and staff in UK schools.

Next week, they are holding their annual Children's Mental Health Week from 5-11 February 2024. The theme this year is 'my voice matters'.

This theme is about empowering young people by equipping them with tools to express themselves and look after their mental health and wellbeing.

They have a specific resource for parents offering advice on a range of topics including raising a resilient child, helping your child with behaviour issues or advice if you have a child who has trouble getting to sleep.

For more information, visit: [Place2Be: Parenting Smart: Articles](#)

### Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 94.34% (of which none was unauthorised). Hopefully, our attendance will return to pre-Christmas levels (above 96%, the school target) soon.

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 97.50%
- Diamond Class: 92%
- Zircon Class: 94.09%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.15%.

### World Book Day:

World Book Day is Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. We are still finalising our plans for the day and will provide more information soon!

However, we will not be asking children to dress up – so please don't be purchasing/making any elaborate outfits!  
Thanks!

### After School Clubs:

#### Badminton & Multi-Skills Club (Rec/Y1/2)

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February

#### Lego Club (Y5/6 only):

- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

#### Cricket Leader Club (Y4/5/6):

- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

#### Year 6 Study Club:

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Please remember to collect your children promptly after clubs.

### Google Classroom:

Don't forget to visit our Google Classrooms to find out more about what your child has been learning in school.

We endeavour to upload news, pictures and videos to share some of the exciting work and events taking place in and out of the classrooms.

### Maths Whizz:

Please can you encourage your child (Y1-Y6) to access Maths Whizz each week at home.

Pupils should aim to visit Maths Whizz at least **3 times a week** for approximately **20 minutes** per session, **achieving at least 3 blue progression gems and 3 red challenge gems each week**, therefore reaching the Hall of Fame.

Certificates for reaching the Hall of Fame will now be presented on Monday's.

### Important information:

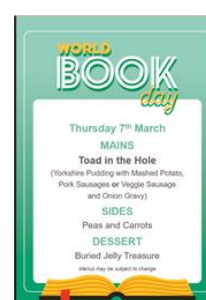
Please could we remind all children not to bring any food items into school which contain nuts.

### St Piran's Day Pasty!:

If you haven't done so already, please return your order form by Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Feb. Please note it is now too late to order cheese & onion pasty!

### Chartwells Themed Days:

- Pancake Day:** Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb:
- Chinese New Year:** Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb
- St Piran's Day:** Tues 5<sup>th</sup> March
- World Book Day:** Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March



### PTA Valentine's Celebration Sweet Shop:



## NSPCC Number Day:

Today we celebrated the NSPCC Number Day with all the children taking part in lots of exciting mathematically themed activities. All pupils took part in seven different activities throughout the morning.

This included:

- Estimating, weighing and measuring potatoes and carrots
- Card games
- Identifying shapes
- Dice arithmetic
- Target throwing
- 3-D image art (tessellation)
- Money madness

The children had an amazing morning, practising lots of different mathematical concepts, with the key messages being 'maths is fun; it's everywhere and is for everyone'!

Thank you to everyone for helping to make the day memorable by bringing in an assortment of potatoes and carrots! We had some absolute beauties! Hugh Fearnley Whittingstall would be proud!

## Results:

- Heaviest Potato: 1<sup>st</sup> Dakota (915g); 2<sup>nd</sup> Coen (900g) & 3<sup>rd</sup> Lilly in Y5 (865g)
- Longest Carrot: 1<sup>st</sup> Dakota (26.4cm); 2<sup>nd</sup> Jacob in Y4 (26.0cm) & 3<sup>rd</sup> James in Y1 (25.5cm)

Congratulations to Dakota who was the overall winner of both categories!



More photos will be on the Google Classroom soon!