



Godolphin Primary School
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Important Diary Dates:

2023/24 Inset Days:

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

Bikeability (Y6): Wednesday 6th March

Parent/Teacher appointments: W/C 18th & 25th March (details in newsletter)

Easter holiday: Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April

Coose Trannack Cross Country Races: (For all pupils from Reception – Y6): Saturday 20th April

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

Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th June: Y5/6 School Camp (**NEW DATE**)

W/C 13th May: SAT's week

Chartwells Themed Days:

- **St Piran's Day:** Tues 5th March
 - Already pre-ordered
- **World Book Day:** Thurs 7th March
 - Toad in the hole & mash (with pork sausage or veg sausage and veg) & jelly for dessert

Year 6 Bikeability:

A reminder that Year 6 children have Bikeability on Wednesday 6th March.

Please check their bikes beforehand and ensure they bring their bike, helmets, coats and warm clothes on Wednesday morning. It may be worth having spare clothes too.

World Book Day (Thurs 7th March):

Book in a jar competition

A reminder that this year we are running a 'Book in a jar' competition to celebrate World Book Day. Children are invited to think about how a favourite book could be represented in a simple jar.

Please make sure that any 'Book in a jar' competition entries are clearly labelled with the book that is being represented, your child's full name and year group.

All entries must be in school on the morning of **Monday 4th March** for judging. Winners will be announced on Thursday 7th March and the jars will be available for viewing by the whole school as part of our World Book Day celebrations. Good luck!

NOTE: PLEASE ASK AN ADULT TO CARRY THE GLASS JAR INTO SCHOOL TO AVOID ANY BREAKAGES/ACCIDENTS.

Parent/Teacher meetings:

Below are the times for the parent/teacher meetings. Sign-up sheets will be in the school hall daily from Wednesday 6th March at drop-off and pick-up.

Emerald Class:

Monday 18th March:

- Mrs Bowden: 2.00 – 4.30pm

Wednesday 20th March:

- Mrs Bousfield: 3.30 – 5.30pm

Diamond Class:

Monday 18th March:

- Mrs Knight: 2.00 – 5.00pm

Tuesday 19th March:

- Mrs Ellis: 3.30-5.30pm

Tuesday 26th March:

- Mrs Knight: 3.30 – 5.30pm

Zircon Class:

Monday 18th March:

- Mrs Ellis: 3.30 – 5.30pm

Thursday 21st March:

- Mr Snook: 3.30 – 5.30pm

Wednesday 27th March:

- Mr Snook: 3.30 – 5.00pm

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 96.84% (of which none was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 97.92%
- Diamond Class: 98.67%
- Zircon Class: 93.18%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.49%.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel: 11th – 22nd March:



Godolphin has registered to take part in the Sustrans 15th Big Walk and Wheel. The aim of the initiative is to inspire pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.

Sustrans also promote the importance of road safety and recommend children wearing cycling helmets at all times.

General reminders:

Emerald Class request:

The Emerald class is in need of some extra small world resources that are in a good condition. For example, we are low on farmyard animals and under the sea animals. We also could do with more dolls house furniture and other similar toys. There will be a box outside the Emerald class for any donations. Thank you in advance!

Water bottle:

A reminder that children should come to school each day with a filled bottle of water, not squash.

Zircon class:

A reminder that as part of the music lessons taking place on a Wednesday afternoon, we are inviting any Zircon pupil with guitars or ukuleles to bring them in for the next week.

After School Clubs:

Ball Skills & Multi-Skills Club (Rec/Y1/2)

- Tuesday 5th March
- Tuesday 12th March
- Tuesday 19th March
- Tuesday 26th March

Lego Club (Y5/6 only):

- Friday 1st March
- Friday 8th March

Rugby Club (Y3/4/5/6):

- Wednesday 13th March
- Wednesday 27th March

Year 6 Study Club:

- Wednesday 6th March
- Tuesday 12th March
- Tuesday 19th March
- Tuesday 26th March

Eco-Club (Y5 only):

- Thursday 7th March
- Thursday 21st March
- Thursday 28th March
- Thursday 18th April
- Thursday 25th April
- Thursday 2nd May

Comic Relief:



Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) is on Friday 15th March.

We are inviting children to come to school in non-uniform wearing something red if they can (no face or body paints).

If you wish to make a donation, please pay on ParentPay (there is an item called "Red Nose Day donations 2024"), rather than bringing in cash. Many thanks.

Important information:

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

Maths Whizz:

Congratulations to the children who reached the 'Hall of Fame' last week (week ending Sunday 25th February):

- Sam, Loy, James, Imogen, Henry & Ella (Y1)
- Amelia, Bobbie-Mae, Joe, Freddie, Erica, Dexter, Brody, Imogen, Jake, Jowan, Lily, Owen, Sebastian, & Samuel (Diamonds)
- Benjy, Bradley, Bren, Cary, Elowen, Layla, Leanna, Luca, Maia, Oceana, Rhys, Summer & Willow (Zircons)

Data is reset every Monday, so you have Monday to Sunday to earn a place in the sacred **Hall of Fame**.

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.

Pictured below are all the children who received certificates for the last week. Well done!



This week the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Zircon Class.

White Rose 1 Minute Maths

Don't forget, **pupils from Reception - Y6** can access **1-Minute Maths** to practice their fluency skills including subitising, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Thinkably:



Bag2School:



The PTA have organised another Bag2School collection for Tuesday 19th March. Bags 2 School bags & information leaflets have been sent home this week.

PTA Needs You!:

Both the current Chair and Vice-Chair of the PTA have stood down at the last PTA AGM and will not be standing for the positions this year. These roles, as well as the role of secretary, need to be filled, or the PTA will have to stop and the school will lose the additional funds which the PTA generate.

The PTA are crucial to school in raising essential funds to support the learning for your children. A further letter will be sent to parents/carers next week explaining a bit more about the roles and outlining all the amazing events and activities the PTA support.

If you're interested in taking on a role, to keep the PTA going, please let Mrs Thomas



A WORKSHOP FOR TIRED FAMILIES
presented by the Cornwall Mental Health Support Team

Sleep Wise – a short presentation by Hunrosa Sleep Consultants to help parents with sleep strategies for young people and families..



Tuesday 12th March 2024
10:00 - 11:30 am
Book [HERE](#)

OR



Wednesday 13th March 2024
16:30 - 18:00 pm
Book [HERE](#)



Parent Pay:



There are a number of outstanding payments on ParentPay for school trips, swimming and school lunches. Please could we ask you to check your accounts and make any necessary payments.

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

Via Ferrata Adventure Holiday Clubs:

Via Ferrata offer a range adventure holiday clubs including coasteering, climbing and canoeing. For more information visit [here](#).

Thank-you to Mrs Jones:

Many thanks to our former Teaching Assistant - Mrs Jones - who has been coming in over the last couple of weeks to tidy and sort the balcony. This has already made a massive difference and all staff are very appreciative. Thank-you!

Cross-Country League Round-Up:

A huge well done to the 19 hardy Godolphin runners who took part in the fourth cross-country league match of the season on Tuesday night at Helston Community College! This was also a selection race for the Peninsula XC.

The conditions were incredibly challenging, with cold temperatures, rain, wind and mud.

All 19 of our runners finished strongly with some excellent positions.

A number of our runners will now be selected to represent Helston at the Peninsula Finals, due to take place on Monday 11th March at Pool Academy. More information will be given out next week when names are confirmed.

The overall league positions after the first 3 races are on the following page.

As you will see, Godolphin is looking strong, comfortably leading the weighted points category, and sitting in 2nd position overall, narrowly behind Nansloe. Hopefully we can encourage even more of our pupils to take part in the next two races to see if we can retain the overall league trophy from last year! Well done and thank you to everyone who has supported the school in the league this year!

Helston & Mullion XC League – overall results after races

	Number of children on role in KS2	Total Points (after 3 races)	Overall League Position (after 3 races)	Weighted Points (calculated by dividing the total points by the number of pupils on role in KS2)	Overall Weighted League
Godolphin	42	3437.3	2nd	81.8	1st
Coverack	21	457.8	13 th	21.8	
Mullion	96	1708.7	6 th	17.8	
Grade Ruan	40	1773.0	5 th	44.3	
Landewednack	46	1672.2	7 th	36.4	
Wendron	?	2655.4	3 rd	?	
Breage	28	570.00	12 th	20.4	
Garras	37	1330.0	10 th	35.9	
Nansloe	109	3733.1	1 st	34.2	
Porthleven	100	1456.2	9 th	14.6	
Halwin	35	83.3	14 th	2.4	
Parc Eglos	230	1217.9	11 th	5.3	
St Michael's	223	2377.0	4 th	10.7	
Sithney	50	1640.3	8 th	32.8	