



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Important Diary Dates:

2023/24 Inset Days:

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

Comic Relief: Friday 15th March (details in newsletter)

Bag2School: Tuesday 19th March (details in newsletter)

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: SATs week

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 96.08% (of which none was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 96.67%
- Diamond Class: 95.33%
- Zircon Class: 96.46%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.52%.

World Book Day:

Thank you to all the children who made such a tremendous effort with our 'book in a jar' competition this week to celebrate World Book Day.

There were some amazing, artistic and creative entries.

We were lucky to have Ginny Sealey, Owner of The Bookshop in Helston, come in and judge the competition. She commented on the exceptionally high standard of the entries, saying "choosing an overall winner from each class was very tricky!"

However, the winners for each class (each winning a £10 book token) were:

- Emerald Class: Pip
- Diamond Class: Jowan
- Zircon Class: Nellie

Many thanks to Ginny for judging the competition for us, and kindly donating half of the prize money.

Well done to everyone!



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.

Bikeability:

Well done to all of our Y6s who received Bikeability cycling proficiency training this week.

The training develops skills for cycling on single-lane roads with simple junctions and moderate traffic and includes the core functions for safe and responsible cycling.

In order to pass, the pupils had to make good and frequent observations; choose and maintain the most suitable riding positions; communicate intentions clearly to others; and understand priorities on the road, particularly at junctions.

All of them completed Level 1, with a number of them also achieving their Level 2. Well done to them all!

Thank you to Suzanne Doble for delivering the training!



After School Clubs:

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

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

Lego Club (Y5/6 only):

- Friday 8th March

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

- Wednesday 13th March
- Wednesday 27th March

Year 6 Study Club:

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

Eco-Club (Y5 only):

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

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 know.

Maths Whizz:

Congratulations to the children who reached the 'Hall of Fame' last week (week ending Sunday 3rd March).:

- (Y1): Olivia, Ella & Imogen.
- (Diamonds): Bobbie-Mae, Brody, Dexter, Gracie, Imogen, Isla, Jacob G, Jake, Joe, Jowan, Lily & Sebastian.
- (Zircons): Benjy, Cary, Elowen, Harry, Lacey, Layla, Lilly, Luca, Rhys & Summer.

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.

This week the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Diamond 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.

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.

Bag2School:



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

Time2Move Holiday Programme:

Active Cornwall launched the **Time2Move Holiday Programme for Easter 2024**. Funded by the Department for Education under the Holiday Activities and Food Programme.

Any primary aged child can sign up and all children eligible for benefits related free school meals can access a funded place to attend where they will also receive a hot meal.

To book on provision please visit:
[Time2Move Holiday Programme – Active Cornwall](#)

Parent/Teacher meetings:

A reminder of the times for the parent/teacher meetings. Sign-up sheets will be in the school hall daily 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

Via Ferrata Adventure Holiday Clubs:

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

Important information:

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

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!

Cornwall Sailing Trust Watersports Taster Day:

The CST is holding a taster day this Saturday (9th March). Adults pay £10 and then under 12's are free when accompanied by a paying adult! See the poster below for more information.

CST **FUN FOR ALL TASTER DAY**

WATERSPORTS TASTER DAY
Spend the day trying out all our watersports - under 12s free! **£10**

ONE BLUE EYE WORKSHOP
Make recycled plastic keyrings (to gift on Sunday!) **£5**

MORE INFO:  cstexperiences.co.uk

SATURDAY 9TH MARCH, 11AM TO 3PM

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.