



Godolphin Primary School 'living, learning and laughing together'

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# Important Diary Dates:

# 2023/24 Inset Days:

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

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

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

**Coose Trannack Cross Country Races:** (For all pupils from Reception – Y6): Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April

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

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June: Y5/6 School Camp

W/C 13th May: SATs week (for pupils in Y6)

# **Comic Relief:**

We have made £55.90 so far for Comic Relief.

Further donations can still be made on ParentPay! Thanks.

# Attendance:

Overall school attendance for last week was 90.66% (of which 0.53% was unauthorised). We appreciate there have been a number of children ill again. Hopefully, our attendance will be return to higher levels soon.

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 87.92%
- Diamond Class: 90%
- Zircon Class: 94.55%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.30%.

## Parent/Teacher meetings:

A reminder of the times for the parent/teacher meetings.

## **Emerald Class:**

#### Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March:

• Mrs Bousfield: 3.30 – 5.30pm

# Diamond Class:

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March (POSTPONED TO MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH). *Please let us know if you need to change the time/date:* 

• Mrs Knight: 2.00 – 5.00pm

## Tuesday 19th March:

• Mrs Ellis: 3.30-5.30pm

## Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March:

• Mrs Knight: 3.30 – 5.30pm

#### Zircon Class:

#### Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March:

• Mr Snook: 3.30 – 5.00pm

#### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March:

• Mr Snook: 3.30 – 4.30pm

#### Huggy Wuggy:

Please be aware that some of our children have been mentioning the character Huggy Wuggy from the Poppy Playtime game.

This is a horror game using characters named to appeal to younger children. These characters appear on Tik Tok and YouTube: they are emphatically not suitable for viewing by children, but due to their names, they can evade parental controls and filters.

Please click on the link for further information and parental advice regarding this game :  $\frac{Huggy}{Wuggy}$ 

As part of their computing lessons, all pupils are taught about e-safety on a weekly basis. However, following these recent incidents, we will be reinforcing the message about staying safe online, and in particular, highlighting the risks associated with Huggy Wuggy and Grimace the Monster. Please let us know if you have any other concerns about e-safety or would like to discuss this further.

# Lego League:

On Wednesday a team of 9 Year 5/6 children took part in the First Lego League competition at Culdrose. The children competed with their lego robot in three rounds. Unfortunately, the robot had a mind of its own, but the children remained positive and tried to complete as many missions as possible!

They also presented their innovation project to a panel of three judges. Both Mrs Ellis and Mrs Gee were so proud of how they conducted themselves throughout the day.

A huge well done to all the children who took part. And thank you to Mrs Ellis for organising our entry, and to Mr and Mrs Gee for helping on the day.





#### Parenting Workshops:

Cornwall Council and Together for Families are running a series of parenting workshops (predominantly online) focusing on a number of topics including:

- Understanding your Child
- Getting it Right for Children
- Arguing Better

For more information, and to book please click <u>here</u>.

#### **General reminders:**

**School sports kits:** We are running very low on school sports kits, especially running vests. Please could you check if you have any at home and return to school washed and clean as soon as possible. Many thanks!

**Reading at home:** Please can we encourage children to read at home every day, whether with a parent/carer or independently.

**Guitar lessons:** Mr Watkiss, the guitar teacher, has capacity for other children. If your child would be interested in starting lessons, please visit the <u>Cornwall Service Music Trust</u> for more information.

#### After School Clubs:

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

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

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

• Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

#### Year 6 Study Club:

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

## Eco-Club (Y5 only):

- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

#### **Eco-Warriors:**

Godolphin Eco warriors (Layla and Dexter) represented the school at the Annual C16 Trust Council Summit on Monday. At the start of the school year, representatives from each of the Crofty schools set eight pledges to help the Trust to become more aware of our environmental impact.

One of the pledges was the Water Wizard: a pledge to ensure all pupils bring a reusable water bottle to school and also to raise awareness about single use plastics. Layla and Dexter surveyed the whole school and as a result were awarded the Water Wizard prize at the summit. Well done!



**Chartwells Menu Change:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:

- Fish fingers (instead of beef Bolognese)
- Quorn nuggets (instead of veg Bolognese)

#### Maths Whizz:

Congratulations to the children who reached the 'Hall of Fame' last week.

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

This week the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Emerald Class (Year 1) with 60% of the year group reaching the Hall of Fame.

## **Times Table Rock Stars Competition:**

This week, instead of Maths Whizz, we would prefer to encourage the pupils in the Diamond and Zircon classes to focus on their times table fluency by participating in the Top of the Rocks inter-school competition (details below). The competition finishes at 8am on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Please remind your child to be sensible in terms of avoiding screen time or playing late into the evening!



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.

#### Important information:

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

# Bag2School:

The PTA have organised another Bag2School collection for **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**. Please bring bags into the hall.

## Peninsula Cross Country Final:

Fourteen children took part in the Peninsuala Cross Country Finals on Monday afternoon at Pool Academy.

All of the Godolphin children ran brilliantly in their respective races, showing great stamina and achieving some pleasing positions.

Whilst we didn't have any children qualify for the County Finals, our runners thoroughly enjoyed themselves and represented our school exceptionally well. Well done to all! Thank you to all the parents who came to cheer on their children at this event, and a special thank you to Mrs Mason who volunteered to help with supervision.







# **PTA Easter Competition:**

The PTA are holding an Easter competition. Any donations of cakes (bought or homemade) would be gratefully received. All proceeds from the cake sale will go towards school funds.

