



Godolphin Primary School
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Important Diary Dates:

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

2023/24 Inset Days:

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

Cross-Country:

Race 5 (KS1 & KS2): Tuesday 14th May at 4pm at Mullion Secondary School

Race 6 (KS2 only): Tuesday 21st May at 4pm at Porthleven School

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

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th June: Y3/4 School Camp

Class Photo: Thursday 27th June

Sports Day: Tuesday 2nd July (1pm) [Reserve Date: Thursday 11th July]

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly: Monday 22nd July @ 2pm (for Y6 parents/carers only)

PTA Update:

Just a reminder that the PTA are holding an Extraordinary General Meeting at 7.30pm on Friday 17th May at the Queen's Arms in Breage. The meeting is to vote in new committee members and to plan for upcoming events. All are welcome.

Year 6 SATs Breakfast Club:

We will be running a breakfast club from Monday - Thursday of SATs week (13th – 16th May) at 8.30am for all Year 6 children.

Important information:

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

Chartwells changes:

Thursday 9th May:

- Roast Chicken (instead of turkey lasagne)
- Quorn Roast (instead of veg Spanish rice)
- Flapjack
- Jacket potatoes, tomato pasta and packed lunches available as normal

CENSUS DAY: Thursday 16th May: Fiesta Fun!

- Beef nachos or veggie nachos with sweetcorn salad
- Chocolate raspberry slice

PTA Second-hand Uniform Sale:

The PTA are running a second-hand uniform sale next Friday (10th May) after school. Come and grab yourself a bargain, ready for the summer!

Emerald Class Swimming:

The Emerald Class enjoyed their swimming lessons last week. They all did really well and they made huge progress with their confidence and water skills throughout the week. Well done to them all!

Many thanks to all the staff who helped in so many ways: it was a real mission! Thank you also to Mrs Ivey and Mrs Mason for volunteering with these lessons, and to Richard McKie for driving the minibus.

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 91.54% (of which 0.52% was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 92.5%
- Diamond Class: 95.33%
- Zircon Class: 85.53%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 94.93%.

Maths Whizz:

Congratulations to the children who reached the 'Hall of Fame' last week. Today the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Emerald Class with 40% of the Y1s receiving certificates.

After School Clubs:

Year 6 Study Club:

- Tuesday 7th May

Playground Games Club (Rec & Y1):

- Wednesday 22nd May

Tennis Club (Y2-6):

- Tuesday 7th May
- Monday 13th May
- Monday 20th May

Coding & Computing Club (Y4&5):

- Friday 10th May
- Friday 17th May

Above Water - Water Safety Assembly:

This week a group of Year 5 pupils delivered an assembly to the whole school about 'water safety'. This was to follow-up the training which Maia, Luca, Isla and Elowen attended before Easter, where they joined pupils from many of the other Crofty schools. They did an amazing job of sharing an informative PowerPoint presentation conveying the important messages around staying safe near water – Stop, Look, Listen, Float! Well done!



Eco-Club:

Some Year 5 pupils have been taking part in an eco-club run by an ex-pupil, Piran, supported by Mrs Knight and Mrs Ivey. Piran ran the club as his volunteering element of his Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award which he is doing at Helston Community College.

The children have made bird feeders and bug hotels, learnt about bees and pollinators and in the last session yesterday they planted up a flowerbed in the playground. The money to purchase the plants were kindly donated by the local branch of the Rotary Club. Many thanks to Piran for running the club.



Reminders:

Parking reminder:

For the safety of the children and other pedestrians, please can we remind everyone not to park on the pavement at any time when dropping-off and collecting children from school.

Collection reminder:

Please can we ask all parents/carers to come into the playground to collect their children (unless you have a dog with you, in which case please wait outside, away from the gate).

Governor Update:

We are looking to recruit some new governors to add to our existing team to ensure we continue to have an effective governing body going forwards.

School governors are an integral part of the school community providing support to staff and monitoring the school at a local level. Parent governors help bring balance and a different perspective to discussions and decisions about the school and its future. They provide an important link between wider governance and the parent community, helping maintain the individuality of small schools such as ours.

School governors don't need any experience in the education sector, just some good common sense and a passion for the education and wellbeing of the children at Godolphin. Many governors feel they develop new skills in their roles which come in useful in their 'proper' jobs!

The attached leaflet gives more information on what the role involves, and training will be provided.

So, if you are a parent, relative or member of the community, who would like to find out more, we'd love to hear from you. Please feel free to chat to us or email Emma (emma.ivey@croftymat.org) or Becky (becky.hosking@croftymat.org).

Many Thanks, your School Governors.

Changes to Household Support Funding:

This information was sent to all parents/carers this week. In order to be entitled to a payment from the Household Support Fund scheme in 2024, you must be responsible for at least one child and on 3rd June 2024 either:

- be entitled to Council Tax Support or
- have been placed in emergency accommodation by the Council

You will receive £80 per child. If you are already in receipt of Council Tax Support, then you don't have to do anything else – you will receive your payment automatically.

To find out if you are eligible for Council Tax Support, please check the information here <https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators>.

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/>

It is important that you submit your application by 31st May 2024.

You may also be entitled to help from the Household Support Fund via one of the Household Support Fund partners. Their details can be found here <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/household-support-fund/>

Cross Country League:

Godolphin are currently leading in the weighted Cross Country league and are currently second in the league overall (see table below). However, we are hot on the heels of the league leaders - Nansloe, with two races remaining: 14th May (KS1 & KS2) and 21st May (KS2 only). To give ourselves a chance to catch them, we need as many runners as possible taking part in these races.

	Total Points	KS2	Weighted			Total Points	KS2	Weighted
Nansloe	5191.0	109	47.6		Godolphin	4926.8	42	117.3
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Wendron	3737.0	57	65.6		Wendron	3737.0	57	65.6
St Michael's	3011.2	223	13.5		Grade Ruan	2196.7	40	54.9
Garras	2710.6	37	73.3		Landewednack	2388.0	46	51.9
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Mullion	2298.2	96	23.9		Nansloe	5191.0	109	47.6
Grade Ruan	2196.7	40	54.9		Sithney	2019.3	50	40.4
Parc Eglos	2194.3	230	9.5		Breage	981.15	28	35.0
Porthleven	2093.0	100	20.9		Mullion	2298.2	96	23.9
Sithney	2019.3	50	40.4		Porthleven	2093.0	100	20.9
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