



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. The children have returned with great enthusiasm and seem excited to be back in their classrooms.

We extend a warm welcome to all our new pupils and their families.

We look forward to working with you over the coming year. If you have any concerns please feel free to speak to either myself or the other class teachers.

Best wishes, Colin Snook

Important Diary Dates:

Half-term: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

Inset Days for 2024/25:

- Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th Sept 2024
- Monday 14th October 2024
- Monday 24th February 2025
- Thursday 8th May 2025
- Monday 2nd June 2025
- Wednesday 23rd July 2025

Individual school photos: Wednesday 2nd October

Nasal Flu immunisations (Reception-Y6):
Wednesday 6th November

Data collection sheets & consent forms:

A data collection sheet, an image consent form and an annual parental consent form will be sent home next week.

Please can you return the signed and completed forms by Friday 13th September.

Important updates:

Registration:

A reminder that the registration time remains at 8.45am prompt, although children will not be able to enter the classrooms until this time. However, to minimise congestion outside school, children, if supervised at all times, can wait in the playground from 8.30am.

PE Kits:

This year, we are asking children to come to school dressed in their PE kits on the days they have PE.

PE Days for Autumn Term (first half term):

- Zircon Class: Wednesday (sailing) & Friday
- Diamond Class: Thursday (swimming) & Friday
- Emerald Class: Monday & Friday

There will sometimes be changes to these days and we will let you know if this is the case.

Breakfast Club: new earlier start time!

Following feedback from the recent parent survey regarding wraparound care and after school clubs, the daily **breakfast club will be starting at the earlier time of 7.45am** (until registration at 8.45am). Please book by emailing (godolphinsecretary@croftymat.org) or speaking with Mrs Thomas in the school office. The fee remains at £4.50 per child per session, which includes breakfast.

Milk:

Milk is provided for all children under 5 years old. If you wish your child to have milk once they turn 5, you will need to complete (and pay for) a registration form on the Cool Milk website. Details can be found here: [Cool Milk](#) .

Morning snacks:

A morning snack (normally fruit) will be available for all KS1 children. KS2 children (Year 3 to Year 6) will need to provide a snack (ideally a piece of fruit) from home if they choose.

Lunch reminder:

Just a reminder for Year 3 parents – your child no longer qualifies for a Universal Free School Meal. School lunches are **£2.65** and are paid through ParentPay. Please see Mrs Thomas if you have any questions.

Asthma inhalers:

If your child has asthma please bring an inhaler into school for them (if you've not already done so). Thanks.

General update:

Please ensure your child comes to school each day with a coat, filled water bottle and their book-bag. If it is essential for your child to bring in a rucksack, please could we ask that it is not too large as we have very limited space in the cloakroom areas (especially in the Diamond classroom). Please could we also remind children to have long hair tied back. If we have any more hot weather please also ensure suncream has been applied and children have a sunhat.

Chartwells updates:

A reminder that the packed lunch option will be sandwiches only (wraps will no longer be available). As previously, ham packed lunches will not be available on a Monday (or on the first day following a school or bank holiday).

Parent volunteers:

If you are keen to become a parent volunteer and/or a volunteer driver or even a potential minibus driver, please contact Mrs. Thomas.

Parent volunteers are a great support to the school and help us to take part in a range of activities throughout the year.

Google Classrooms:

Google Classrooms have been set-up for each class, as well as a school-wide classroom.

We will be sending out the login instructions to all new parents next week. Parents/carers can then login to their child's accounts. Your child(ren) will come home with their login details in their reading diaries next week.

We use the Google Classrooms to share information and photographs about the children's learning.

We also share important information on it such as the weekly newsletter, and other class specific information.

If you have any questions about the Google Classroom, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Thomas in the school office. Thanks.

Zircon Sailing Lessons:

The Zircon Class will be starting a series of five sailing lessons on Wednesday 18th September with the Children's Sailing Trust. The lessons will take place on Wednesday afternoons during school time. However, they will be returning late on these days (around 4.30pm).

This is a fantastic opportunity which has been subsidised considerably by the Children's Sailing Trust. The school will be covering the remaining costs using Sports Premium funding.

More details will be sent home next week.

If any volunteer parents would like to help with these lessons, please speak to Mr Snook or Mrs Thomas.

Diamond Swimming Lessons:

The Diamond Class will be starting swimming lessons on Thursday 19th September at Helston pool. The six lessons will take place on a Thursday afternoon during school time.

More details will be sent home next week.

If any volunteer parents would like to help with these lessons, please speak to Mr Snook or Mrs Thomas.

Cross-Country League 2024-25 Dates:



All races start at 4pm:

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Tuesday 17th September	Race 1	Reception/KS1 and KS2	Helston North Site- 4pm
Tuesday 8th October	Race 2	Reception/KS1 and KS2	Mullion- 4pm
Wednesday 6th November	Race 3	KS2	Helston North Site- 4pm
Tuesday 25th February	Race 4	KS2/Peninsula qualifier	Helston South Site 4pm
March	Peninsula Final	KS2	Pool School 4-5pm
March	School Games Final	KS2	Newquay
Tuesday 29th April	Race 5	KS2	Helston North
Tuesday 13th May	Race 6	Reception/KS1 and KS2	Helston South Site - 4pm
Tuesday 10th June	Fun Run	Reception/KS1 and KS2	Mullion 4pm