



Godolphin Primary School 'living, learning and laughing together'

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## **Important Diary Dates:**

# **Inset Days for 2024/25:**

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025

PTA Bags2School: Wednesday 4th December Bags have been sent home.

**Emerald Christmas Show:** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December (2.00pm & 6.00pm). Details overleaf

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 11th December

**Emerald Newquay Zoo Trip:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

## **Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show:**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December (1.30pm & 6.00pm). Details overleaf

Year 1 Hearing Screening: Tuesday 7th January 2025

## **PTA Christmas Cake Sale:**

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December, the PTA have organised a cake and hot chocolate sale after school. All donations of cakes will be very welcome. Please bring them into school on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 87.43% (of which 0.54% was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

• Emerald Class: 90.48% Diamond Class: 86.67% Zircon Class: 85.77%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 96.22%.

#### PE Days:

- Zircon Class: Thursday (swimming) & Friday
- Diamond Class: Thursday & Friday • Emerald Class: Monday & Friday.
- We will let you know of any further changes.

# **Emerald Christmas Show:**

A reminder that the Emerald Christmas Show is taking place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the school hall. The times of the performances are 2pm and 6pm. Children will be expected to perform in both shows.

Each family will be allocated two places per show. Tickets will not be required, but please note there will only be space for two people per show (infants on laps is fine). Thanks.

#### **Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show:**

The Diamond and Zircon performance of Peter Pan is taking place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm and 6.00pm in The Old Chapel, Godolphin Cross. Children will be expected to perform in both shows.

Tickets will be available for sale from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. **Due to space constraints,** each family will be allocated two tickets **per show.** We will confirm the cost of tickets next week. We will be keeping a reserve list for any extra tickets if they become available. Reserve tickets will become available on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Boogie Dance:**

On Thursday nights during November, many of our children from Y1-6 have been enjoying the new Boogie Dance club run by Rachel Hall. Boogie Dance is high energy and fun, with the pupils learning dance moves whilst improving their gross motor skills, fitness and coordination. Many thanks to Mrs Hall for running this exciting club, and to Mrs Goodfield and Mrs Symons for supporting our young groovers.



# **Zircon Swimming Dates:**

• Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Payment for lessons via ParentPay please.

# Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – helpers required:

Many thanks for confirming your Christmas lunch order. If any parents/carers would like to come and help during our special festive lunch, please let Mrs. Thomas know.

#### **Maths Whizz**

Congratulations to the children who reached the 'Hall of Fame' last week. Today the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Zircon Class with 50% of the children reaching the Hall of Fame.

We would like to encourage as many of our Y1-6 children to take advantage of this free maths resource by trying to achieve 3 blue and 3 red gems each week, enabling them to reach the Hall of Fame. Year 1 children should now have their login details and are also encouraged to use at home.

#### **One Minute Maths:**

Don't forget, *pupils from Reception - Y6* can also access *1-Minute Maths* to practice their fluency skills including subitising, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The link can be found in Google Classrooms. The White Rose 1-Minute Maths app can also be downloaded free onto your own devices at home. Our Y1-6 children have been given 1-Minute Maths Fluency Passports which they can work through at their own pace.

# **Disability live lesson:**

On Wednesday afternoon, Zircon Class participated in an engaging Lyfta online lesson about disability and protected characteristics.

The workshop introduced Aci, a young woman from Indonesia, who is a passionate advocate for equality for people living with disabilities. Aci shared her inspiring personal story and the incredible work she does to improve opportunities and inclusion for those with disabilities.

The children were captivated by her journey and found the session both thought-provoking and motivational. It sparked meaningful discussions and left the class with lots of ideas on how they can promote inclusivity and equality in their own lives.

#### **Roadworks:**

A reminder that there are some planned roadworks on the road as you leave the village (towards Carleen) which is scheduled to take place between 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> December. Please allow extra time for your journey to and from school.

# **Lantern Workshops:**

In preparation for the GCCA Lantern Parade on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, all children will be taking part in lantern making workshops next week. The Diamonds will be attending in two groups on Monday morning and the Zircons on Monday afternoon, and the Emeralds will split into two groups on Thursday morning.

We will be referring to the annual visit consent form which parents completed in September. Please let us know if there have been any changes.

# **Time2Move Holiday Programme:**



Time2Move Holiday Programme
Christmas Experiences – in partnership
with organisations like Hall For Cornwall,
Eden Project and The Lost Gardens of
Heligan we have fully funded family
opportunities to attend these attractions
during the Christmas period.

**Time2Move Holiday Programme Swimming Offer** – in partnership with pool providers in Cornwall we have a fully funded family swim offer.

As usual all of the above are available to all children but only funded for those eligible for benefits related free school meals.

Parents/guardians of children eligible can access a unique access code through - //www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/time2move-holiday-programme/

To search and book on activity near you please visit -

//www.activecornwall.org/parents-andcarers/

# **Google Classrooms:**

Don't forget to check your child's Google Classrooms for updates on their learning and the latest school news.

#### After School Clubs:

# Art Club (with artist Anna Pope; supported by a member of staff):

For Years 1/2/3/4/5/6: 3.15 – 4.30pm. A charge of £3 per club per child (payable on ParentPay).

- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December or
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

# Boogie Dance Club (run by dance coach Rachel Hall & supported by a staff member):

For Years 1/2/3/4/5/6: 3.15-4.30pm

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November

A charge of £3 per session per child (payable on ParentPay).

# Badminton Club (delivered by a sports coach & supported by a staff member):

For Rec/Y1/Y2/Y3: 3.15-4.30pm:

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December

# Lego League Club (for Y5/6 only):

- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December



# Poppy Appeal:

We raised £75.32 which contributed to an overall total raised for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal of £43,847.64.

#### **Crofty Advent Calendar:**

A reminder that the Crofty Education Trust advent calendar is on the Google Classrooms or click here.

Have fun and enjoy being active in the run-up to Christmas!

# GCCA Lantern Festival – Community Workshops & Lantern Walk:

- Sunday 1st December & 8th
   December from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. workshops for families, grandparents,
   carers and kids all welcome!
- Friday 13th December is the Lantern Walk itself, starting at Godolphin House from 5.30 with carols and live music, processing through the woods back to the Chapel





#### **Trust Council:**

As a trust council our aim is to help the school and make it eco-friendly. A few days ago, we got new glue sticks that are refillable and safer for the planet. We also have the idea of adding a vegan option to the menu. We thought about having paper or cardboard takeaway boxes instead of plastic trays for lunch times.

We also get many get-togethers and trips in the school year such as online meetings, trust parliament meetings, paradise park visit, forest visit and eco and coastal council meetings. Maia F and Sam F are the eco councillors and Coen B and Isla P are the coastal crew councillors. We look forward to keeping you updated.

By Maia and Coen