



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Important Diary Dates:

Inset Days for 2024/25:

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

Emerald Christmas Show: Tuesday 10th December (2.00pm & 6.00pm). Details overleaf

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 11th December. **Christmas jumpers welcome!**

Emerald Newquay Zoo Trip: Thursday 12th December

Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show: Tuesday 17th December (1.30pm & 6.00pm). Details overleaf

Year 1 Hearing Screening: Tuesday 7th January 2025

Christmas Jumper Days!: Wednesday 11th December (Xmas lunch) and Friday 20th December

PTA Christmas Cake Sale:

On Thursday 19th 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 19th December.

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 92.3% (of which 0.14% was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 84.2%
- Diamond Class: 94.07%
- Zircon Class: 96.92%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.9%.

PE Days:

- Zircon Class: **FRIDAY ONLY NEXT WEEK**
- Diamond Class: **WEDNESDAY** & Friday
- Emerald Class: **WEDNESDAY** & Friday.

Please note the change of day for the Emerald & Diamond Class next week.

Emerald Christmas Show:

A reminder that the Emerald Christmas Show is taking place on Tuesday 10th 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 17th 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 9th December. **Due to space constraints, each family will be allocated two tickets per show.** Tickets are £2 each. We will be keeping a reserve list for any extra tickets if they become available. Reserve tickets will become available on Monday 16th December.

Bag2School fundraising:

Thanks for all your donations for the Bag2School collection. We collected a huge 300kg! Unfortunately, market rates weren't in our favour this time, and this equated to £60. The funds will be used to purchase an additional sound system.

A huge thank you to the PTA for arranging the collection and for everyone who brought bags into school.



Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 11th December – helpers required:

If any parents/carers would like to come and help during our special festive lunch, please let Mrs. Thomas know.

Maths Whizz

Congratulations to our Y1 children for using Maths Whizz for the first time, and five of them 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 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.

Little Dolphins Staff News:

Little Dolphins is sad to announce that Joyce will be leaving them at Christmas. Joyce has been working at Little Dolphins for 15 years and therefore has worked with many of our current pupils before they joined school.

She has always shown enthusiasm, dedication and energy, always striving to support the learning of the pre-school children. She will be sorely missed by the children, staff and parents alike. We're sure you will join us in wishing Joyce all the best in her future plans.

After School Clubs:

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

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

- **Please note there is no badminton club next Monday (9th Dec)**
- Monday 16th December

Lego League Club (for Y5/6 only):

- Tuesday 10th December

Christmas Cards:

The Christmas Card post-box will be available in the school hall from Monday 9th December. Please ensure all cards are clearly labelled with first name and surname along with the child's class. Please post by **Wednesday 18th December**. The cards will be given out to the children later that week.

Staff News:

We are delighted to inform you that, following successful interviews today, we have appointed Claire Jones who will join us after Christmas.

Mrs Jones will cover in the Zircon class on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Jones is a very motivated and experienced teacher, and will be a valuable addition to the Godolphin team.

Mrs Bowden and Mrs Bousfield are also changing their working arrangements from January. Mrs Bowden will work on a Monday, Tuesday and Friday in the Emerald class and Mrs Bousfield will work on a Wednesday and Thursday in the Emerald class, and then in the Diamond class on Fridays.

Parent Pay:



A polite reminder to all our parents that there are a number of outstanding payments for school lunches and other items (including school trips).

Could we ask that you sign into your account and check your balances and make any necessary payments as soon as possible.

This is particularly important as we approach the end of the term.

If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch.

Google Classrooms:

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

Girls' Football League:

On Monday night, we had a very successful round at the Helston & Mullion girls football league at Helston Community College.

The girls won all three of their games, beating Mullion 4-0, Nansloe 3-0 and Wendron 1-0.

Congratulations to the team for their outstanding results.



We have more girls' football competitions coming up after Christmas so would love to encourage more of our girls to sign up!

Missing Sports Kit:

MISSING SPORTS KIT! ¶



We seem to be missing a large quantity of Godolphin Primary School sports kit. ¶

Please can anyone who has borrowed kit for school events have a thorough search at home to try and track down ¶ the following missing items: ¶

• Blue & white running vests ¶

• White & blue 'A' Game short-sleeve shirts ¶

• Yellow football shirts ¶

• Royal blue football shirts ¶

• Royal blue shorts ¶

• Blue football socks ¶

• Shin pads ¶

¶ Unless these items are recovered, the school's teams will struggle to take part in future competitions. ¶

¶ Thank you! ¶

Parenting a child aged 4-11



Solihull - Understanding your child

A 10-week workshop delivered weekly. Each session is 2-hours in length. This hybrid programme gives you the option to attend in-person or virtually on Microsoft Teams

This is an evidence-based workshop that covers topics such as:

- How your child develops
- Understanding how your child is feeling
- Tuning into what your child needs
- Responding to how your child is feeling
- Different styles of parenting
- Having fun together
- The rhythm of interaction
- Why sleep is important
- Self-regulation and anger
- Communication and tuning in
- Looking back and looking forwards

When?

Tuesdays from 12:30-14:30,
Starting 25th February 2025

Where?

Redruth Family Hub, TR15 1NA
or on Microsoft Teams



To book scan the QR code or click:
[Parenting children aged 0 to 11](#)
and select your preference for in-person or virtual attendance

Contact us

Email: parenting@cornwall.gov.uk
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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!