



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Newsletter available on our website

It's hard to believe that another half term has crept upon us, or that we're at the mid-point of this academic year. As usual, the children have been working extremely hard in all of their lessons and have produced some excellent work, making fantastic progress. The diary has been busy, filled with numerous extra-curricular activities, including school trips, sporting fixtures, and visits from Squashbox Theatre and Will Keating, to name but a few.

As always, we would like to thank all our parent and volunteer helpers who support the school in so many ways: helping with school trips; reading with pupils; transporting pupils to and from events; running clubs and activities such as Lego League and Forest school; and teaching maths lessons! We would also like to thank the Governors and the PTA for everything they have contributed to this half-term.

We wish you all a relaxing half-term break and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 25th February.

Best wishes, Colin Snook.

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 93.07% (of which 1.07% was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 95.5%
- Diamond Class: 91.9%
- Zircon Class: 92.3%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 95.7%.

PE Days:

- Zircon Class: Monday & Friday
- Diamond Class: Monday & Friday
- Emerald Class: Monday (swimming starting on 3rd March) & Friday

We will let you know of any further changes.

Important Diary Dates:

Inset Days for 2024/25:

- Monday 24th February 2025

(SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS)!

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

Half-term: Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

Cross-Country Race 4: Tuesday 25th

February: 4pm at Helston Community College (KS2 Peninsula qualifier)

Reception Vision Screening: - Thursday 27th February (Email sent to Rec parents last week).

Diamond & Zircon - Hall for Cornwall visit (to take part in a music performance with Will Keating): Monday 3rd March. More details to follow.

World Book Day: Thursday 6th March - Choose a significant person from the [Little People; Big Dreams](#) book series – come dressed as them or bring in a suitable prop associated with your chosen person.

Diamond Class World Book Night

Sleepover: Thursday 6th March (more details to follow)

Songfest Performance: Wednesday 26th March (St Johns Hall, Penzance): 6:30-8:30pm

Easter holiday: Monday 7th April – Tuesday 22nd April

SATs Week (for Y6): W/C 12th May 2025 (Monday – Thursday)

Y5/6 Residential Trip (Bath/Bristol):

Monday 9th – Wednesday 11th June

PTA AGM Date:

The PTA are holding their AGM on Thursday 6th March at 7pm. Venue TBC.

Important information:

We have a child with a **nut allergy**. Please do not to bring any food items into school which contain nuts.

Google Classrooms:

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

Maths Whizz:

Congratulations to the Zircon class for winning the Maths Whizz trophy this week with a staggering 93% 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 now have their login details and are also encouraged to use at home.

And don't forget, children can also access Times Table Rock Stars and White Rose 1-minute Maths to practise their maths fluency skills.

Chartwells Themed Days:

- **Pancake Day:** Tues 4th March (choice of pancakes for dessert)
- **St Piran's Day:** Weds 5th March
- **Thursday 6th March:** roast beef or roasted vegetable & cranberry slice. Other options as normal.

Please note we are returning on Week 2 of the menu.

Diamond Class Healthy Eating Lesson:

A huge thank you to Mrs Hall (Jowan and Imogen's Mum) who worked with the Diamond Class on Monday as she taught the children about nutrition and healthy eating as part of their science unit this term.

She explained about her role as a Dietician for the NHS and taught the children about the different food groups and how they help to keep our body healthy. The children took part in a range of activities, with teams of children racing to match different foods to the correct food groups on a giant Eatwell plate, before they investigated the amount of hidden sugar in our daily foods. The children then enthusiastically 'ate the rainbow' with a tasty, nutritious and beautiful fruit kebab, kindly provided by Mrs Hall.



After School Clubs: Spring Term 2025:

Football Club (run by a sports coach) & supported by a staff member:

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

Art Club: (Rec, Y1 & Y2):

Dates TBC

Study Club: For Y6 pupils only – 3.15-4.30pm:

- Wednesday 26th February
- Wednesday 5th March
- Wednesday 12th March
- Wednesday 19th March
- **Thursday 27th March**
- Wednesday 2nd April

Lego League Club (run by a parent volunteer): **For Y5 & Y6 only: 3.15-4.30pm:**

- Tuesday 25th February
- NO SESSION on Tuesday 4th March
- Tuesday 11th March

The competition will take place on Thursday 13th March. More details to follow.

Choir/Songfest Club: For KS2: 3.15-4.30pm:

- Thursday 27th February
- Thursday 6th March
- Thursday 13th March
- Thursday 20th March

KS1 Gym Competition:

On Monday, 17 children from years 1 and 2 entered the Helston/Mullion Key Steps Gymnastics Competition at Penryn Gym Club, competing against 5 other schools.

All the children did amazingly well, trying their very best when competing, but also having lots of fun. The highlight was definitely jumping into the foam pit!

Individually, Loy won the club floor routine, with Imogen and Sophia winning the non-club floor routine. Our Club 'A' team, consisting of Henry, Loy, Ella and Olivia were the overall team winners. We were very proud of them all! Thanks to Mrs Searle for helping.





Help us to celebrate...
Our 50th Anniversary!

Cornish Seal Sanctuary

Design a Logo Competition for Cornwall's Primary Schools

Design a Logo for the Cornish Seal Sanctuary's 50th Anniversary!

Welcome to the Cornish Seal Sanctuary's 50th Anniversary Celebration!

We're inviting schools across Cornwall to join us in celebrating this incredible milestone by getting involved in our logo design competition.

This is a unique opportunity to inspire creativity, raise awareness about marine conservation, and connect young learners with the Sanctuary's mission to protect seals and the wonderful marine life that calls Cornwall home!

Why Participate?

1. Celebrate—The Cornish Seal Sanctuary has been protecting seals and other marine animals for 50 years at our site in Gweek.
2. Encourage creativity—Give your students a chance to showcase their amazing artistic talents.
3. Learn about marine conservation—we've included facts about seals to inspire conversation and creativity.
4. Win exciting prizes—Your students could win an unforgettable school trip to the Cornish Seal Sanctuary or a Seal adoption!

Key Details

Title: Design our '50 years of the Cornish Seal Sanctuary at Gweek' logo.
Who Can Participate? Primary school-aged children KS1-KS2
Submission Deadline: 31st March 2025

Further details on the Google Classroom. Or visit [here](#) for more information.

Mental Health Support Team Facebook Page:

A reminder that MHST have a Facebook group for parents and carers who want to be kept up to date with information on their latest workshops and relevant information.

Please find them here:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/httpswww.cornwallft.nhs.ukchildrensmenlhea/>

Virtual Sessions with Kooth

Book for free here

Tuesday 18th February

Young People's Online Safety Session
for parents and carers

10:00am - 11:00am

Tuesday 18th February

What is Kooth?
Session for parents & carers

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Wednesday 19th February

Managing anxiety with self care
Session for those aged 11-18

10:00am - 11:00am

Wednesday 19th February

Managing anxiety with self care
Session for those aged 11-18

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Friday 21st February

Young People's Online Safety
Session for parents and carers

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Kooth provides free, safe, anonymous mental health support and counselling for all 11-18 year olds in Cornwall

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