



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have finally reached the end of another busy and rewarding term. It has certainly been action-packed, with a wide range of events and activities taking place, including trips, visitors, shows, music performances and a variety of after-school clubs. It has also been a pleasure to see Diamond and Zircon classes settling so well into their new classrooms — we are all thoroughly enjoying the additional space and the opportunities it brings.

It was wonderful to see Emerald Class perform in their Christmas shows last week, followed by the Diamond and Zircon performances this week. We are extremely proud of all the children for their enthusiasm, confidence and commitment, and I am sure you will agree that they brought plenty of festive cheer to us all.

On behalf of the staff, pupils and governors at Godolphin Primary School, I would like to wish you and your families a joyful and peaceful Christmas. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 6th January 2026**.

Finally, I would like to thank all our staff for their continued hard work, care and dedication throughout the term. We are very fortunate to have such a strong, supportive and committed team.

Christmas wishes! Colin Snook

Key Diary Dates:

Inset Days 2025/26 Reminder:

- 5th January 2026
- 23rd February 2026
- 8th May 2026
- 23rd July 2026

Spring Term 2025 starts: Tuesday 6th January 2026

Attendance:

Overall school attendance for this week was 95.53% (of which 0.5% was unauthorised).

The attendance for each class was:

- Emerald Class: 92.6%
- Diamond Class: 98.8%
- Zircon Class: 95.6%

Overall school attendance for the academic year so far is 96.35%.

After School Club – CANCELLED on Tuesday 3rd February 2026:

Due to whole staff training, there will no after-school club on 3rd February. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

PE Days for next term:

- Zircon Class: **Monday & Friday**
- Diamond Class: **Monday & Friday**
- Emerald Class: **Tuesday & Friday**

Please ensure pupils arrive wearing suitable PE kit and trainers.

Thank you and Happy Christmas!

All the staff would like to thank all our amazing families for the Christmas gifts and cards we have received this week.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a happy and restful Christmas!

Maths Whizz

Well done to all the children who reached the Hall of Fame this week! This week the Maths Whizz trophy was presented to the Zircon Class!

Important information:

We have a child starting in January with a severe nut allergy.

Therefore, please could we request that children do not bring any food items into school which contain nuts.

Diamond & Zircon Christmas Show:

The Diamond and Zircon children gave two outstanding performances of *Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat* on Tuesday. Every child performed brilliantly, with a number of our pupils confidently singing solo parts.

Across the two shows, the children performed over 20 songs per performance, all learnt and delivered with remarkable passion, energy and enthusiasm.

The performances were enjoyed by packed audiences, and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with one audience member simply saying, "Wow! Just wow!". We are incredibly proud of all the children for their commitment, confidence and teamwork in bringing this production to life.

A huge thank you to all the staff who worked so hard to put the show together. In particular, we would like to extend special thanks to Mrs Knight and Mrs Birkett, who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the performances were such a success.

Thank you also to the PTA for organising refreshments and raising an impressive £250, to Mr Young and Mr Ashworth for their support in collecting and returning the stage from Porthleven School and to everyone who helped clear the stage away at the end of the show.

Well done to everyone involved — a truly memorable experience for our school community.

More photos in Google Classroom soon!



PTA Christmas Bake Sale:

Many thanks to the PTA for the Christmas Bake Off yesterday. Thank you to everyone who entered - there were some excellent cakes.

The three winners were Bobbie-Mae for her fantastic Christmas Tree, Sebastian for his candy cane swirls and Joe and Sam for their gingerbread man chocolate cake.

Santa was very impressed with all the bakes and has taken note of any last-minute requests for presents!

We made an incredible £145 at the cake sale!

This wraps up a very busy term of fundraising including the disco, wreath making, commissions from the Christmas Shop, and donations for refreshments at the school plays, giving a grand total for the term of £1,188!

During the term we have bought Virtue Gem prizes, provided crackers for the Christmas lunch and hired costumes for the Diamond and Zircon show. The remaining money raised is going to our outdoor classroom project.

The PTA would like to thank everyone for their contributions this term and we wish all the Godolphin families a very Merry Christmas!"



Thank-you!

We want to take this opportunity to thank all the parent helpers, volunteers and external coaches/teachers who have supported us over this term. This includes Mrs Pope for running our very successful art club and Jenifer, one of our previous pupils, who volunteered to help with the art club (as part of her DofE).

There have also been several volunteers who have supported us with various school trips, activities and sporting events throughout the term. We are extremely fortunate to have so community volunteer minibuses drivers (Mr McKie and Mr Davey) who have kindly given up their time to drive the minibus for us.

Special thanks once again to Mr Davey for volunteering to teach maths to the Year 4 pupils twice a week (photo below).



The PTA also need recognition for their drive and commitment in running events and raising funds for the school. The money they raise continues to benefit the children greatly.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to our Governors, who continue to work hard behind the scenes to support the school, in so many ways.

Parent Pay:

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

Could we ask that you sign into your account and check your balances and make any necessary payments as soon as possible. If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch.

After School Clubs: Spring Term 2026:

Further details of the after-school club will be confirmed at the beginning of the Spring term.

However, the following clubs are already confirmed:

Art Club: A charge of £3 per club per child. Consent forms will be sent out during the first week of term.

For Y3/4/5: 3.15 – 4.30pm.

- Wednesday 14th January
- Wednesday 21st January
- Wednesday 28th January
- Wednesday 4th February
- Wednesday 11th February

Study Club (for Y6 pupils only) – 3.15-4.30pm: Details already sent to Y6 pupils.

- Wednesday 7th January
- Wednesday 14th January
- Wednesday 21st January
- Wednesday 28th January
- Wednesday 4th February
- Wednesday 11th February

Important Safeguarding Concern:

We have been made aware that the children's book series 'According to Humphrey' (as seen below), have several books that contain a link to a website which has been compromised and now takes people to highly inappropriate and unsafe content.

We understand the problematic links can be found on the back cover and may be also included on a page inside. Please check at home to see if your children have any of these books.



Christmas cards:

This morning the children enjoyed our annual Christmas card assembly. As usual, the Year 6 children delivered the cards to the rest of the delighted children with Christmas music blaring in the background!

Much fun was had by all!



Christmas Lunch:

The children enjoyed their Christmas Lunch on Wednesday.

Many thanks to the volunteers; Mrs Courtis, Mrs Rowles, Mrs Duncan and Mrs Longthorpe, who all helped to ensure our festive meal ran smoothly.

Thanks also to the PTA for kindly donating crackers (fully recyclable) for all the children and staff.



Golden Book Celebration Assembly:

We held our end of term celebration yesterday afternoon.

We are delighted to announce the children who received Golden Book awards this term are:

Reception:

- Lilac B
- Luan I

Year 1:

- Dotti H
- Finley R

Year 2:

- Lolli A
- Robin T

Year 3:

- Delilah Y
- Sophia J

Year 4:

- Brody T
- Jake T

Year 5:

- Oscar Y
- Lily H

Year 6:

- Amelia H
- Jacob B

Congratulations to all our Golden Book winners!



Jake T missing from photograph.