



Godolphin Primary School  
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It certainly has been a busy week! The children have all taken part so enthusiastically in the first ever Cornwall Virtual Winter School Games and it has been lovely to watch them all being so active and having fun too.

The children in Year 3 to Year 6 all took part in an in-school rugby competition on Monday afternoon. Whilst the Year 2 children enjoyed the day with an artist and produced some stunning work (shown later in the newsletter).

I was also privileged to represent the school in a small Remembrance Service at the Village Memorial Cross. The children were sorely missed at the service this year, and we all hope that next year we will be able to take part in community service again. However, in the meantime at school, the children all took part in a whole school assembly outside in the playground, and participated in a one-minute silence to show their respect.

Finally, today we have asked for donations for 'Children in Need' and the children have come to school dressed in 'Children in Need' colours. We have also raised a staggering £156.95, which is amazing! Thank you.

As always, if you have anything you wish to discuss then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Take care,

Lucy Wandless

## Poppy Appeal:



Many thanks for all your donations towards The Poppy Appeal. We raised £44.61

Once again, a huge well done to all the children who also took part in a whole school outside assembly taking part in a one-minute silence to show their respect.

## Year 2 Art Day:



The year 2 children from the Emerald and Diamond classes enjoyed a day of art with inspirational artist Emma Griffiths. They began the day hunting for sticks which they used with ink, to draw outlines of butterflies and flowers. Watercolour paints brought these to life. They created sketch books to practise various techniques.

Later in the day the children chose animals and creatures to add to the display using vivid poster paints. Emma was impressed with the children's art skills and also their stamina for working. "I liked drawing with the sticks as it was different and I did it really gently." Dakota Y2.

The completed artwork was on display in the playground and drew many positive comments, smiles and "Wows" from parents and children alike.

"I feel really proud of us as we did a really good job together." Grace Y2. Many thanks to the children, Emma and the staff involved that helped to make this collaboration such a success.

### **Interactive Resources: Years 5 & 6:**

- Time Difference (various levels)
- Stop the Clock (1-5) including 24 hour clock
- The Tortoise and the Hare (Percentages)

### **Years 2, 3 & 4:**

- Finding Fractions
- Fraction Stack
- Fractions of numbers (Y3/4)

### **Year 1:**

- Give the dog a bone
- Ordering

### **Important Diary Dates:**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December:** School photos (new date)

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December:** School Christmas Lunch

### **PE Days:**

- **Emeralds:** Tuesday & Thursday
- **Diamonds:** Monday & Friday
- **Zircons:** Monday & Wednesday

### **School Uniform:**

Just a reminder that children are now expected to attend school in school uniform apart from the days when they have PE.

However, given we are having to keep windows open as much as possible to allow for ventilation, children can bring in extra indoor clothing, clearly labelled, that can be worn in the classroom to ensure they are comfortable whilst learning.

We would also like to encourage the children with long hair to tie it back when taking part in PE.

### **Parent and Teacher Appointments:**

A final reminder to book your **telephone appointments** for your parent and teacher meetings taking place next week and the following week. Times in previous newsletters.

### **Minibus HELP!**

Just a reminder that we are still looking for someone to take over from Mrs Forbes and manage the fundraising page for our new minibus.

### **School Photos:**

A reminder that we have postponed the school photos to **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

The photographs will be individual photos only taken one class bubble at a time. We hope you appreciate that it will not be possible to take sibling photographs this year unless your children are in the same class bubble. Please let us know if you would like your children to have a sibling photo (as well as their individual ones).

### **Book Review:**

The School Council made the suggestion for children to regularly write book reviews which we can then share in the newsletter.

We haven't had one submitted for a few weeks, but if anyone would like to complete one at home and share with your class teacher, it may be chosen to be included in the next newsletter.

### **Parenting Programme:**

Please find attached with this newsletter a poster from the Cornwall Council 'Together for Families' team with details of the parenting advice line they run.

There is also an updated timetable for the virtual parenting programmes which they are running including those starting in January 2021, with an overview of each programme to share with parents and carers.

In addition, they also offer a series of podcasts which can be found [here](#).