



Godolphin Primary School
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Parent and Teacher Appointments:

As mentioned in the last newsletter, due to the ongoing restrictions, we will once again be holding our teacher/parent consultations via telephone.

The **telephone appointments** for the parent and teacher meetings are taking place during the week commencing 17th May 2021.

Please can you book yourself into an hour-time slot, and confirm **who** the appointment will be with and the **contact number to use**. Each teacher will then call you within that hour time slot for your appointment.

Please either call Mrs. Thomas or email her (secretary@godolphin.cornwall.sch.uk) to book your appointment(s). Below are the times:

Miss. Bradbury:

- Tuesday 18th May: 1.00-3.00pm (two one-hour slots available)
- Monday 17th May: 3.30-5.30pm (two one-hour time slots available)

Mrs. Knight:

- Monday 17th May: 3.30-5.30pm (two one-hour time slots available)
- Friday 21st May: 1.00-3.00pm (two one-hour slots available)

Mr. Snook:

- Wednesday 19th May: 3.30-5.00pm (two one-hour slots available)
- Thursday 20th May: 1.30-5.00pm (four

Cross Country:

The weather was kind on Wednesday which enabled us to run the fifth intra-school cross-country event on the school field. Once again, all year groups took part in their respective races with 81 children completing the course. Well done to everyone for reaching the finish line!

Positions of the children have been added to the overall results sheet and with one league event remaining - on Wednesday 12th May - many of the final medal positions are still undecided. Look out for the final league results later in the term!

Menu Change: Tuesday 4th May:

The menu will be:

- Cheese & Tomato pizza or
- Veggie Burrito or
- Cheese or tuna sandwich

Jacket potatoes and tomato pasta available as normal.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12th May: Intra-school cross country on the school field for all year groups.

W/C 17th May: Parent Consultation sessions (telephone meetings)

May half-term: Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Thursday 1st July: Whole class photographs

Tuesday 20th July (PM): Y6 Leavers' Assembly:

Inset Days: 22nd & 23rd July

General reminders:

Please could we remind you to make sure all school clothes are clearly labelled with your child's name.

With the warm weather returning, please can we also remind parents to make sure children have sun-cream applied (ideally please can we ask for parents to apply 'Once a Day' sunscreen to the children before school), and come to school with a sun-hat and a filled water bottle.

Diamond Class Update:

As part of their current science unit Sound, the Diamond class have been taking part in investigations on how sounds travel. We watched rice dancing in response to a loud sound and compared sounds made above water and then under the water. We had great fun making string telephones, linking our previous learning about solids, liquids and gas to help us discover how best sound waves/vibrations travel. We tested these out and then made adaptations and improvements by changing the length and type of string used.



We have been using the Shamen's Apprentice by Lynne Cherry to stimulate our own story writing with the focus of Stories with Issues. We have used the structure of the original story but invented new situations and characters, writing in the first person. These have been collated into a class book.

Mrs Brand joined us through Google classroom to begin reading our new classic fiction Stig of the Dump.

The new cross country course was fun this week. It was challenging towards the end because there was a steep slope to the finish line.(Jesse Y4).

A few members of the class, including the class representatives, met virtually with Mrs Ivey in her role of Chair of Governors. She spent time asking the children about their experiences of Lockdown Learning. They shared their opinions clearly and confidently and enjoyed the opportunity to discuss their feelings.

Emerald Class Update:

Emeralds have continued to be very busy learning about Fairy Tales and addition. We will be moving on to the stories of Snow White and The Three Billy Goats Gruff very soon. In Maths, we will be thinking about subtraction, money and time.

The Emerald Class have begun to enjoy daily Dough Disco and Squiggle While You Wiggle sessions to improve hand and arm strength and also to help small and gross motor movements. This, in turn, will help with letter formation and writing skills. It is great fun and gives us a super start to each day!

Zircon Class Highlights:

I have really enjoyed creative writing this week! We have been writing thrillers, stories where something bad has to happen and ones about the Crab Phare (lighthouse crab). Aulay (Y6)

I enjoyed the active maths because it was super active and got me sweaty. Joe (Y5)

I really enjoyed the Y6 sports leader training because it was really good fun and I think we all learnt a lot. Isabella (Y6)

The ukulele lesson was really good and I can't wait to do it next week. I also enjoyed the space workshop. Harriet (Y5)

I loved the cross-country because I love running. Plus, I liked it because I won! Pippa (Y6)

Parent Pay:



A polite reminder to all our parents that there are a number of outstanding payments for school lunches from last term.

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

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Mrs. Thomas.

Thank you.

Y6 Sports Leader Training:

On Monday afternoon, the pupils in Year 6 worked with Mrs Ayotte, the Helston Primary Sports Coordinator, learning how to be an effective sports leader. The children discussed the role of a sports leader and the importance of warming up and staying healthy. The group was also introduced to some fun warm-up games which could be used in their own PE lessons, playtimes and sporting activities.

Well done to the children for joining in with such energy and enthusiasm. Mrs Ayotte was very impressed, commenting on the pupils' excellent listening skills and behaviour. Well done for representing the school so well!



Everyone's Invited:

You may be aware that the Secretary of State announced on 31st March that he has asked Ofsted to undertake a thematic review into sexual abuse across state and independent schools and colleges.

Amongst other things the review will look at whether schools and colleges have appropriate processes in place to allow pupils to report concerns freely, knowing these will be taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

At Godolphin Primary School we take our safeguarding responsibility extremely seriously and this type of peer on peer abuse will be dealt with swiftly and appropriately should it arise in our school.

We ensure that pupils' voices are heard and that they have a range of adults in school that they can confide in, if necessary. We spend time through our PSHE/RSE curriculum and assembly themes ensuring that pupils know how to keep themselves and others safe and they know what to do if they have a concern.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection policy can be found on the school website. In addition, we have a Safeguarding page on our school website that provides information for parents/carers on a number of safeguarding issues.

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