



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Important Diary Dates:

2020/21 Inset Days:

- 1st November 2021
- 25th & 26th July 2022

Additional Day:

- Friday 17th December 2021 (day in lieu due to Jubilee)

Individual school photos: Friday 8th October

Half-Term: 25th – 29th October

Flu immunisations: Weds 10th November (Reception – Y6)

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 8th December

Staff News:

We wish to inform you that Mrs Ford will be leaving us in three weeks as she is starting a new role with Cornwall Council within the HeadStart Kernow team.

Whilst this is a great opportunity for Mrs Ford, she will be missed by staff, children and parents alike.

We're sure you will join us in wishing her all the best with her new job. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Ford for her hard work and commitment to the Godolphin team.

General reminders:

Sickness/diarrhoea bugs:

Please can we remind all parents/carers that if your child(ren) has a sickness/diarrhoea bug they must remain off school for 48 hours from the last time they were poorly. This helps to keep other pupils and our staff healthy and in school.

PE Kit:

Please can we remind you that children should have their PE kits in school every day. Please can all items be clearly named.

Coat reminder:

Please can all children bring a waterproof coat to school every day.

Milk:

A reminder that milk is provided for all children under 5 years old. If you wish your child to have milk once they turn 5, you will need to complete (and pay for) a registration form on the Cool Milk website. Details can be found here: [Cool Milk](#)

Morning snacks:

A morning snack (normally fruit or raisins) will be available for all KS1 children. KS2 children (Year 3 and above) will need to provide a snack (ideally a piece of fruit) from home.

Lunch reminder:

Just a reminder for Year 3 parents – your child no longer qualifies for a Universal Free School Meal. School lunches cost £2.34 and are paid through ParentPay. Please see Mrs Thomas if you have any questions.

Asthma inhalers:

If your child has asthma please bring an inhaler into school for them (if you've not already done so). Thanks.

Hand-gel:

For those children who are bringing their own hand-gel to school please keep it out of the book-bags as they are leaking and damaging the books. Thanks.

Cross-Country League 2021-22:



The first Cross Country League race took place this week at Porthleven School. A huge well done to the 27 children who took part. They all ran brilliantly. We are still awaiting the results and will share these once we have them.

A reminder that the next race is Tuesday 12th October at Helston Community College (this is a KS1 and KS2 race).

Music Lessons:

Piano and guitar lessons have started this week. If your child is signed up for lessons, please can they remember to bring in their instruments and/or music books.

Last week the children watched an amazing demonstration of string instruments.

A recording is available to watch on demand – [click here](#)

Lots of children showed interest in learning one of the instruments they saw.

If your child is interested in learning one of these or any instruments, they can sign up for lessons at <https://www.cornwallmusicstrust.org/signup>
Details on fees can be found at <https://www.cornwallmusicstrust.org/fee>

Cornwall Music Service Trust are also holding a 'Come and have a go day' for anyone interested in playing a string instrument.

This will take place on Saturday 25th September at Truro Library from 10.30am-12.00pm and 12.30-2.00pm.

Head Girl & Head Boy announcements:

This week all the children in the school have listened to the speeches from some of our Year 6 children who were keen to become Head Girl and Head Boy for this academic year.

Children were then asked to vote for their favourites. The results were announced today in assembly.

We are delighted to announce that the new Head Girl is Anna B and the Head Boy is Josh T.

The new Deputy Head Girl is Carla W and the new Deputy Head Boy is Tristan O.

Congratulations to them, and a huge well done to all the Year 6 children who prepared and delivered speeches. They were all excellent and the nominations were very close indeed.

Parent Pay:



Parent Pay has been updated this week.

All Reception parents and new parents to the school are now on the system.

ParentPay is the preferred method of Payment for school lunches, swimming lessons and school trips.

Zircon swimming lessons:

Zircon swimming lessons start (at Helston Sports Centre) on Monday 20th September.

The lessons have been set-up on ParentPay, so please make payment on this system if you can.

E-Safety wrist-bands:

We would like to thank Mr. Hughes who kindly donated (from his work with the Police Force) an e-safety wrist-band for each child in the school. This will be a reminder of the importance of staying safe when online.

Emerald Class Update:

A big well done to the new Reception children who have settled in so well.

Reading books and Choosing books will be changed each Friday but please can we ask that they are brought into school each day so that we can listen to the children read.

Year 1 and 2 children will be tested on their spellings and given new words each Friday too.

Emerald Class have begun to enjoy gymnastic sessions with a coach from Swallows Gym in Helston. Here are some comments from the children -

- "We made shapes with our bodies". (Lily)
- "We went into groups and practised jumping and landing". (Olivia)
- "We got to use the spring board. We had to jump on it and land on a mat". (Max)
- "I loved all of it but especially the spring board". (Rollo)

Zircon Class Update:

The Zircons have settled quickly into their new class, re-establishing the rules and routines as well as building new friendships.

We've started the term with a mini-topic on E-Safety before moving onto our main topic of World War 2 for the rest of the Autumn term.

Year 6: Transfer to Secondary School:

The deadline for applications for Year 6 children's transfer to secondary school is **31st October 2021**.

A leaflet will be sent home next week, but further information and guidance can be found on the Cornwall Council website:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Diamond Class Update:

The new term has begun well with the children coming into class confidently and with a positive attitude.

We have begun the term with a mini topic - E-Safety. Through the creation of a cyber-safety rainbow, the children will develop understanding in the following key areas: **the meaning of staying safe online; the importance of keeping personal information and passwords safe; the potential dangers of meeting people online; how to find safe and reliable content; who to go to for help; and how to enjoy safely the many opportunities the internet has to offer.** As children collect their rainbow colours, they can build their rainbow to remind them of the pleasures and pitfalls of the online world.

WHO TO TRUST?



We disguised 3 children and the class had to ask yes and no questions to try and decide who they were. One child lied about their answers and this helped us to realise that when we encounter people online who we don't know, they can disguise who they really are.