



Godolphin Primary School  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thankfully, the Covid cases in school have dropped significantly and we have been able to return to how things were, which is great news! Classes are no longer in bubble groups, children are eating lunch back in the hall, swimming lessons can resume, and other activities such as music lessons will return from next week. It has been lovely to see children and staff return to school healthy and happy. The school certainly seems to have its buzz back again.

I would like to thank you for your support over the last couple of weeks. I would also like to thank staff for their flexibility, resilience and ongoing work during what has been a challenging time for everyone.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns at any time, please contact me.  
Many thanks, Lucy

### **Important Diary Dates:**

**Yr 2,3&4 swimming resumes:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February

**Internet Safety Day:** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February (further details in newsletter)

**Bikeability (Y6):** remaining group session on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February

**Reception Vision Screening:** Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March (taking place during school time).

**Cross-Country League race:** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February (KS2 only) – Mullion Secondary School at 4pm

**Half-term:** Monday 21<sup>st</sup>–Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February

**Coose Trannack run:** Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March

**2020/21 Inset Days:** 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022

### **Staff Update:**

After February half-term Miss Bradbury will be going part-time, teaching the Emerald Class Monday to Wednesday. A new teacher has been recruited to teach the Emerald class on Thursdays and Fridays. Due to recruitment procedures and notice periods, the new class teacher will be starting after Easter. In order to ensure continuity during the second half of the spring term, Miss Tora will be working alongside Miss Bradbury and teaching on a Thursday and Friday. Having worked in the Emerald class previously, Miss Tora is familiar with the children and the curriculum. Meanwhile, the new class teacher will be coming to visit the school in order to meet the pupils and the school community before he/she starts. Opportunities will also be made available for parents to meet the new class teacher.

We would like to reassure parents/carers that we will be working closely with all staff in the Emerald class to ensure a smooth transition, keeping the children's education and wellbeing at the heart of all decisions made.

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak with me.

### **General reminders:**

**Contact detail changes:** We are aware that a number of people who recently have moved house or are planning to move. Please ensure we have your latest contact details. This is obviously essential should we have to contact you in an emergency. Many thanks.

**Music Lessons:** We're delighted to confirm that music lessons will start again next week.

**Warm clothes:** If the weather gets colder, children to come to school wearing an extra warm (thermal) layer under their school uniforms. We are continuing to have windows and doors open for ventilation purposes, meaning the classrooms can get a bit chilly!

**After School Club:** If you are booking ad-hoc sessions for After School Club, please give us as much notice as possible (at least two-days notice) so we can ensure we have the appropriate resources and staffing available.

## Safer Internet Day 2022 (8<sup>th</sup> Feb):

We are supporting Safer Internet Day, coordinated by UK Safer Internet Centre, which takes place on the 8th February. The theme for Safer Internet Day is 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. Teachers will be undertaking a range of age appropriate learning activities with pupils on these themes.

The internet is a wonderful place that offers so many opportunities for children and young people to learn, connect and play. As the internet is always changing, being able to keep up to date with your child's internet use can sometimes feel overwhelming, especially if you feel that your child may know more about technology than you do. Safer Internet Day provides a brilliant and fun way to discuss and explore online safety with your child. By being part of something bigger, talking about how to stay safe online can be fun, engaging and accessible!

Here are some useful websites to help support these discussions and to find out about how to make using the internet 'safer'.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/safer-internet-day/>

## Blackbird Pie:



Welcome to the February/March issue of BlackbirdPie the What's On magazine in Cornwall for families, FREE via [www.blackbirdpie.co.uk](http://www.blackbirdpie.co.uk)

## Chartwells Menu Changes next week:

### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb:

- Cornish steak pasty or
- Veggie Lasagne
- Packed lunch: Tuna Wrap
- Jacket potatoes and tomato pasta as normal

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb:

- Chinese chicken noodles or
- Cheesy Peasy Risotto Bake
- Packed lunch: Ham Bap
- Jacket potatoes and tomato pasta as normal

## Cornwall Cricket holiday camps:

Date	Time	Age Group	Activity	Price
Feb 21	10-3pm	Y1-Y5 (5-9)	1 day softball, tag games, fun day	£15
Feb 22	10-3pm	Y6-Y8 (8-12)	Hurdle, Camp	£20
Feb 23	10-2pm	ALL AGES (WBC)	Cricket fun day	£10
Feb 24	10-3pm	Y1-Y5 (5-9)	1 day softball, tag games, fun day	£15
Feb 25	10-3pm	Y6-Y8 (8-12)	Hurdle camp	£20

<https://cornwallcricket.co.uk/junior-cricket/holiday-camps.html>

## Football League 2021/22

Congratulations to the school's football team which, after a long wait, has achieved the runner's-up spot in the Helston Small Schools League, only 3 points behind the winners - Crowan.

During the four events, 10 boys and 6 girls from Years 4-6 represented the school brilliantly, improving every game and demonstrating fantastic commitment and comradery throughout.

The school is very proud of you! Well done!

### **Emerald Class:**

This week in Emeralds we wrote a story together, based on fairy tales that we know. This is our story. We hope you like it!

#### The Big Bad Wolf and the Magic Wand

Once upon a time in the deep, dark woods lived a little boy and a little girl. Whilst skipping through the woods, they met a Big Bad Wolf. The wolf was protecting a beautiful, magic wand. He had stolen it from the Fairy Godmother to use it for bad reasons! He wanted to turn the children into frogs!

Luckily for the children, the Fairy Godmother had followed the Big Bad Wolf into the woods. She saw that the wolf had put the children into a trap.

Just before the Big Bad Wolf lifted the wand to turn the children into frogs, the Fairy Godmother used her spare wand to free the children from the wolf. However, just then the Big Bad Wolf ran towards the Fairy Godmother and swallowed her in one gulp!

The children, who were horrified by what they saw, ran towards the wolf. Using a knife that they had put into their bag for a picnic, they cut open the wolf's stomach. The Fairy Godmother came out unharmed as the wolf had swallowed her whole. As soon as she appeared, she cast a spell on the wolf which made him disappear forever!

The children and the Fairy Godmother lived happily ever after in a beautiful cottage on the edge of the woods.

The End.

### **Zircon highlights**

My favourite lesson was the science test on sounds getting fainter. We went to the school field to investigate using a drum. I felt really proud because the whole idea was mine! (Reece)

My highlight has definitely been Bikeability. First, we started in the playground where Martin (the Bikeability teacher) showed us how to signal and go through a tight corridor. After lunch, we tested our knowledge on the road, doing U turns and emergency breaking. (Emily)

My highlight was in maths because Mr Snook lets us play lots of fun games and activities like a square numbers game. At the time of writing this, I am currently ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in the world! (Josh)

My highlight of the week was making Anglo-Saxon buildings. I made mine out of half a Nike box. It took so long to stick on the lollypop sticks for the walls. Mine turned out pretty decent. (Jesse)

My highlight was learning about graphic design. It was so much fun! First, we learnt about typography. Then we did some self-portraits, but my absolute favourite part was combining them. (Jenny)

My highlight was when we made musical instruments in science. We had to create different pitches and explain which ones were high and which were low. (Summer)

Bikeability was so much fun! We learnt how to ride our bikes properly, including how to get on our bikes correctly. I didn't know that you had to do something called pedal ready. The instructor, Martin, was very nice. I loved it! (Olivia)

I enjoyed creating our Anglo-Saxon houses. My house had lolly sticks as a roof and I used some brown-pink paper to wrap around a box which was the base of my house. I felt like an Anglo-Saxon! (Will)