



Godolphin Primary School
'living, learning and laughing together'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you are all aware by now that the Prime Minister has proposed a phased reintroduction of some primary aged pupils by 1st June, including Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children. We are now working through the further Government guidance from the DfE and as I'm sure you appreciate there is much to be considered before we can open. We want our school to be safe for your children and for our staff and their families too.

You have been so supportive and patient with all the developments and changes so far, and for this, I know that both myself, and all the staff, are very grateful and appreciative. At this moment, I don't have all the answers about the return to school, but please be assured that all the Heads within the Trust are working together through the implications and practicalities outlined in the DfE guidance. As soon as we have some further information and clarity, we will of course let you know. In the meantime, please contact your class teacher if you have any concerns about your child's home learning, and we will continue to support each other.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff at Godolphin for all of their hard work since schools were closed. This has included planning, setting work and giving feedback, liaising with parents, working in the Hub, undertaking online training, meeting with me online weekly as well as juggling the changes in their own home life.

Thinking of you all, Lucy Wandless

Websites of the week!

Please press control & click on the website title for the website links.

[Interactive Resources \(Maths\)](#) – this website has fun maths games linked to National Curriculum objectives. (*Password reminder being sent via text*).

'Games of the Week'

Emeralds (Y1 Objectives)

- Head Count
- Snap (two players)
- One less than
- Eggs to Order
- Make a Domino

Diamonds

- Stop the clock- time
- Wipe out wall multiplication - multiplication
- Mission addition - addition
- Eggs on legs subtraction - subtraction
- Fraction pods- fractions

Zircons

- Sharp Shooter (all times tables)
- Frontier Factors
- Speedy Sequences (addition)
- Chill Or Challenge (Subtraction)
- Rounding Balloons

[Oak National Academy](#) - An alternative to BBC Bitesize, this is a **FREE** online classroom and resource hub created by teachers, providing lessons in English, Maths and one foundation subject every week day for all year groups, **including Reception**.

Keeping in touch!

Please continue to share what you've been up to, thanks!

James and Lena have been busy counting up their Daddy's money – apparently, they are now rich!



Coen, Lilly and Summer have been busy creating beautiful pictures using petals and other things from their garden.



Rollo helped to create his own phonics wall.



And here is the Phonics Wall – great job Rollo!



Mia has created a scrapbook of memories.



Bren getting creative writing a short story and sewing a frog hand puppet.



Using BBC Bitesize Science Noah learnt about plants, how they survive and photosynthesis.



Olivia surprising herself at her maths work!



Inspired by their virtual visit to Greece, Piran, Aaron and Elowen experimented with the strength of paper columns. Incredibly, these books weighed a whopping 11kg!



Edie has created optical illusions using shading to show form.



Sunflower Competition in action!

Harriet checking her sunflowers!



Thomas also checking his sunflower seeds that he planted for the competition.



In other news:

Spellings:

Don't forget to check your spellings for the term (under *Home Learning* on the website). Please try and practise these each week.

Words of the Week!

Have fun increasing your vocabulary with our *Words of the Week*. Use them in your conversations, writing and search for them in your reading.

Further details are on the website under 'Our Classes'/'Home Learning'.

The words this week are:

- exasperated
- heartbroken
- precipitous
- shrill
- squat

Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday to all our children who have had a birthday this week. We hope you had a great day and look forward to celebrating with you soon!

The face of our NHS art competition

Please see the poster below with a great art competition (being run by Cornwall College) to celebrate the NHS.

Sunflower Competition

Don't forget to take part in our sunflower growing competition. It's very simple - whoever grows the tallest sunflower wins!

If you have any trouble obtaining sunflower seeds, please contact Mrs. Thomas (secretary@godolphin.cornwall.sch.uk). We have a few spare packs of seeds that we can post out.



[Wellbeing Support](#) – don't forget we have collated a range of websites offering wellbeing advice and support (click this link or see the document on school website under 'Latest News').