

## February 2023 Newsletter

We are half way through this academic year already!

Staff News-We have a new member of staff starting in the office after half term. Miss Harriet Snape will be joining our admin team, please be patient as there is obviously a lot to learn.

On our last parent questionnaire, parents requested more information about the curriculum. On the school website you will find the Curriculum News documents for each term. The teachers have also written Knowledge Organisers, these contain detailed information for all subject areas. This documentation can be found in the Curriculum tab-Curriculum News.

We have also started the private Facebook page to share different elements of the school day with you too.

Thank you to JCB for coming to plant an English Oak in the school grounds, to celebrate National Apprenticeship Week. Our ECO Ambassadors, with Mr Uttley, helped with the digging and planting.



For all PE lessons and clubs earrings need to be taken out or be covered with tape provided from home. Children also need to either remove their Kara or bring a sweatband from home to cover it. Children also need to be wearing the correct PE kits. Please read the uniform expectations sheets.

If you have any spare school trousers for Year 1 aged children they would be gratefully received. Also, Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) will happily take donations of spare little wellies, waterproofs, mugs, teapots, plates, bowls, pants, socks and tights. Thank you.



If you have any Safeguarding concerns during half term, the school website has additional information and organisations you can contact. You will find this information using the Safeguarding tab.

March 20<sup>th</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup> 2023

Griffe Field Primary School will be taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel competition. It inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.



If your child is unwell or unable to come to school for any reason, you must call and let us know why they are not here, on the first day of absence. You can leave a message on the answer machine. If we do not hear from you and are unable to contact you, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and may be queried by Education Welfare.

**INSET Days 2022-23** –Friday 17th March 2023, Friday 28th April 2023, Friday 14th July and Monday 17th July.

## Diary Dates

Wed 15 Feb	SATs meeting for Y2 and Y6 parents 5.30pm
Thurs 16 Feb	Disco
Fri 17 Feb	IR class assembly
Fri 17 Feb	Break up for Feb half term-normal time
Holiday Club	
Mon 27 Feb	Spring 2 term starts
Thurs 2 March	FOG meeting 7pm at school ALL WELCOME
Wed 8 March	Parents' Evening
Thurs 9 March	Parents' Evening
Fri 10 March	5U class assembly
Fri 17 March	INSET 2 (school closed for children)
Fri 24 March	Y1 Easter Assembly
Fri 24 March	Easter Bingo (FOG event in the evening)
Tues 28 March	RSE (Relationships, Sex Education) meeting for parents ONLY 5pm
Fri 31 March	Y2 Vaisakhi Assembly
Fri 31 March	Break up for Easter at the normal time
Mon 17 April	Summer 1 term starts
Fri 21 April	Year 5 Eid Assembly
Fri 28 April	INSET 3 (school closed for children)
Mon 1 May	School closed—May bank holiday
Fri 5 May	Non-uniform day to celebrate the coronation (£1 to FOG)
Mon 8 May	Charles III coronation day, school closed

Attendance and arriving on time is very important. We do reward the children for 100% attendance and classes when they have 100% attendance in a week. We obviously rely on parents to bring their children to school regularly and on time. The gates open at 8.45am and classroom doors open at 8.50am. All doors and gates are locked at 9am. If your child is just 5 or 10mins late they have missed the teaching input for the first lesson of the day.

