

## October 2023 Newsletter



As you are aware Griffe Field Primary received an Ofsted inspection last week. We are now waiting for the report to be sent to school, after we have checked the report and it has been through the Ofsted quality assurance process we will be able to share the outcome and report with you.

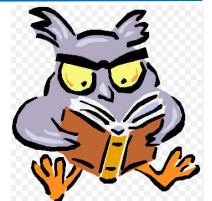
If you need to get in touch with school there are several methods of communication. The easiest way is to have a chat with your class teacher in the morning or at the end of the day. Parents who aren't able to do 'drop offs' and 'pick ups' you can send a note, call the office and or send an email (Parents@griffefield.derby.sch.uk). Our main form of communication with you is via the newsletter and Parent Hub. I would suggest you have the Parent Hub app on the home screen of your phone and you will see the notifications as they are sent. Please pop into the office if you are having issues with Parent Hub. Newsletters are also on the website and our Facebook page.

Thank you for your amazing generosity. The Padley Centre were very grateful for your harvest gifts. Also, the coffee afternoon and cake sale in school raised over £500 for MacMillan Cancer support - that donation to the charity will have a hugely positive impact. Thank you.



The Book Fair will be in school next week. All children will have the opportunity to visit the book fair on either Monday or Tuesday with their class. They can bring money in a named envelope and choose a book to buy. The book fair will also be open during Parents' Evening, next week, until 6pm. The Book Fair is cash only.

Please read with your child regularly, even when your child is in Key Stage 2 and reading fluently. Being listened to when reading and talking about the vocabulary and story has a really positive impact on reading fluency and understanding. Being a confident, fluent reader is a vital life skill. Thank you.



Children are not allowed to wear jewellery or nail varnish to school. An inexpensive watch, Sikh kara and simple stud earrings are the only jewellery allowed. The kara and earrings must be removed or covered for PE. No other jewellery/fashion items are allowed.



We will be celebrating Children In Need on Friday 17th November. Children are invited to wear something spotty on their top half and normal school uniform on their bottom half, for a donation of £1.



Mrs Benson, our brass teacher, has a few available slots. If you have a Key Stage 2 child interested in learning a brass instrument please contact the school office.

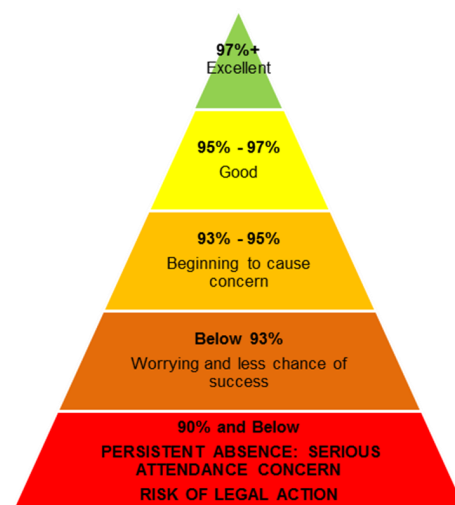
## Data for your diary

Fri 20 October	5C Class Assembly (9.05am)
Week beginning 16th October and 23rd October – reading workshops for parents.	
Tues 24 October	Parents' Evening
Wed 25 October	Parents' Evening
Wed 25 and Thurs 26th Oct	Individual photos (siblings will be photographed as a group, individual photographs of each sibling will only be completed if requested in writing).
Fri 27 October	Break up for half term (normal time)
Half term sport holiday club (Tuesday - Friday)	
Mon 6 Nov	Autumn 2 term starts
Tues 7 Nov	Nearly new uniform sale
Fri 10 Nov	Year 3 Diwali Assembly (9.05am)
Fri 17 Nov	6W class assembly 9.05am and Children in Need
Fri 24 Nov	INSET 2 (school closed to pupils)
Week beginning 27th November and 4th December - Maths workshops for parents, details to follow.	
Wed 6 Dec	Key Stage 1 nativity performance in the afternoon
Thurs 7 Dec	Key Stage 1 nativity performances in the morning and afternoon
Wed 13 Dec	Reception nativity performance 9.30am
Fri 22 Dec	Break up for the Christmas holiday (normal time)
Mon 8 Jan 2024	Spring term starts

Our popular nearly new uniform sale will be held on Tuesday 7th November at 2.45-3.30pm, in the school Hall. We suggest a donation of 50p per item, all money raised goes to MacMillan Cancer support. (Please come to the Hall via the main office, thank you.)

**Attendance and time keeping is very important.** The gates open at 8.45am, teachers will open their classroom doors at 8.50am (Reception doors open at 8.45am) and children **MUST be in school by 9am** (through pupil entrances NOT the main office.) All classroom entrances are closed at 9am. The register is taken at 9am and learning starts immediately after the register.

Nineteen 100% attendance awards have already been awarded to classes. Well done!



INSET Days 2023-24

Friday 24th November, Friday 2nd February, Friday 12th July, Monday 15th July