



GRIFFE FIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
January 2020
NEWSLETTER



We would like to wish all our families a very happy and healthy New Year!

Parking outside school has become a problem again! A child was hit by a car last year, outside school because of illegal and inconsiderate parking. PLEASE do not park on the zig-zags, it is illegal, PLEASE do not double park blocking the road, PLEASE do not put children in danger. It would be impossible for any emergency services to get to school at certain times!

Friday snacks need to be a small, suitable snack please. Not a huge chocolate bar, or a sharing size packet of crisps and no nuts please. Children will be told to put their snack away if it is not suitable. Thank you.

Inset Days

INSET 3 Monday 16th March 2020

INSET 4 Friday 10th July 2020

INSET 5 Monday 13th July 2020

INSET 1 Wednesday 2nd September 2020



Our flute teacher, Mrs Smith, has places available please call her for additional information, tel:07904124042

Please check and read messages on ParentHub. We are trying to reduce the amount of paper we use, as well as respond to parents requesting we communicate via mobile technology. If you are not getting alerts contact the school office.



We have two 'Read and Share' bookcases in the main foyer area. One bookcase for children and one for adults. Place a book you have read on the bookcase to share and take one away to read. (Please don't put Griffe Field library books or reading scheme books on the shelf.) Enjoy.



CHILDREN SHOULD BE ON THE PLAYGROUND AT 8.50am each morning so that they can start the learning day unrushed, happy and relaxed with the rest of the class. We think that it is important that children learn to be both well organised and independent. The whistle goes at 8.55am and children should be lined up by then. Also attendance is incredibly important! Children do not make good progress when their attendance is poor, they miss 'chunks' of learning and the continuity of learning is completely lost. Even missing just 5-10mins in the morning can have a negative impact on education. Obviously children are ill occasionally but encouraging and praising a positive attitude to attendance can be very powerful. The school day does finish at 3.15pm for the younger children and at 3.20pm for the older pupils. Thank you.

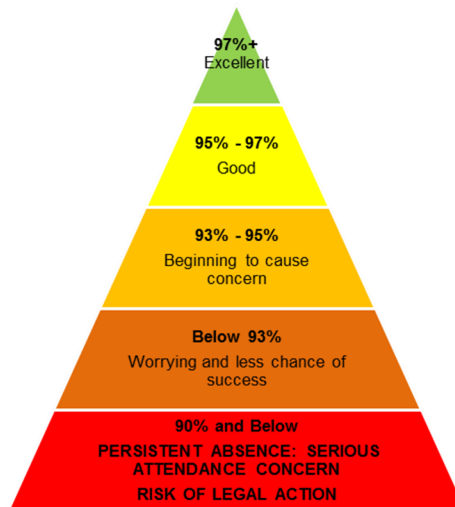
Reception classes would gratefully receive any donations of boys and girls socks, little person sized socks. Thank you



FOG
Gazebo Totalizer
Target £5000



The Christmas Fayre raised an amazing £2117.00 Thank you to the dedicated and hard working FOG team. Our school and all children benefit from your effort and motivation. We are always looking for new members to join FOG. Our next meeting is on Monday 9th March. Please come along. 😊



Attendance at school is very important. The diagram clearly demonstrates how low attendance dramatically impacts on achievement.

Total to date—£4259.85

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

'Family Assemblies' are held at 9.05am every Friday. Families and Friends of the school are always welcome. Presentations, such as Merit Awards, are made at Family Assemblies.

Fri 24th Jan	Year 6 Chinese New Year Assembly
Fri 31st Jan	4U Class Assembly
Fri 14th Feb	2MR Class Assembly
Fri 14th Feb	Break up for half term at the normal time. Holiday Club at Griffie Field
Mon 24th Feb	Spring 2 term starts
Fri 28th Feb	Spring disco
Wed 4th March	Parents' Evening
Thurs 5th March	Parents' Evening
Mon 9th March	FOG meeting 7pm
Fri 13th March	5HW Class Assembly
Mon 16th March	INSET Day-school closed to children
Fri 20th March	2SR Class Assembly
Tue 24th March	RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) meeting for PARENTS only
Wed 25th Thurs 26th March	Class photos
Fri 27th March	3HM Class Assembly
Thurs 2nd April	Easter Bingo
Fri 3rd April	Year 1 Easter Assembly
Fri 3rd April	Break up for Easter holiday at the normal time



We are currently trying to 'do our bit' for the environment. We are running two recycling schemes in school.

- 1- toothbrushes, toothpaste boxes and empty toothpaste tubes
- 2- pairs of reusable shoes.

We have collection boxes outside Mr Uttley's classroom and the children have learnt about the two recycling schemes in assembly.

Griffe Field Holiday Club

Our holiday club run by our own sports coach for just Griffie Field children was a great success at half term. We will be running the following holiday clubs during the rest of this academic year.

Feb half term Mon 17th –Fri 21st Feb (whole week)
May half term Tues 26th—Fri 29th May (Monday is a bank holiday)
Summer Mon 27th – Fri 31st July (whole week)
Mon 3rd Aug– Fri 7th Aug (whole week)

