

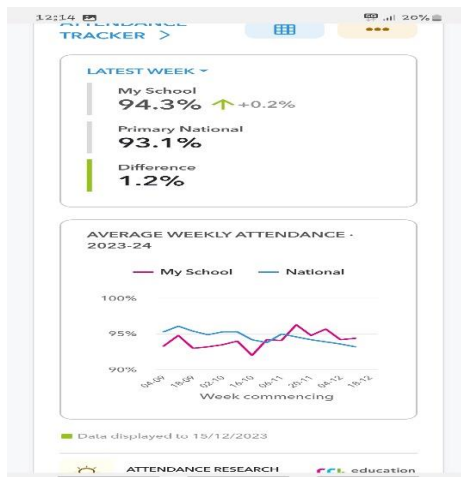
12th January 2024

Dear Parents

I would like to wish you all a very happy 2024! We are already looking forward to a very exciting year at Grendon and to the further success that it will bring.

Attendance

A huge thank you to you all for your support in our bid to improve attendance. This really is something that we cannot do without you and we really appreciate this support. We all know just how important it is for children to be **Here, Every day, Ready and On time**. We know that this is not only about academic progress and missed lessons, but social and emotional development and time spent with friends too.



The impact of our work has so far been clear to see, with our attendance figures climbing above national towards the end of the Autumn term. We are delighted and know that the benefit for your children is significant. We have shown that together, **WE really CAN!** Let's keep up the good work. Remember, we are always here to help and support, please talk to us if needed.

Parents Evening

It seems a little early to be talking about this term's parents evening, but this term is so short, it will be on us before we know it. Parents Evening dates are 7th and 8th February between 3.40pm - 5.40pm each evening. Bookings will be made online in the usual way. Further instructions will follow in the next newsletter, with bookings opening on 26th January.

Measles

We have been asked to send the attached letter regarding the increasing number of people with measles in Birmingham.



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Dates for this Term

- 16 January Parent Access Clinic Y3 Emotional Development
- 17 January Parent Access Clinic Y5 Being Safe Online
- 18 January Parents Access Clinic Y4 Times Tables Check Information
- 23 January Parents Access Clinic Y6 SATs testing
- 25 January Reception Parent Share Meeting - Lego Town
- 06 February Junior Leader Day - Road Safety
- 09 February Feel Good Friday & Out of School Awards. **School closes for half term**
- 19 February School re-opens to staff & Pupils
- 20 February Y2 visit to Selly Manor Museum
- 20-23 February Scholastic Book Fair in School
- 27 February Y6 visit to RAF Cosford
- 29 February Y4 Parent Share - Science States of Matter
- 05 March Y1 visit to 'All Things Wild'
- 07 March World Book Day
- 14 March Y5 Parent Share - French Cafe
- 19 March Y3 Parent Share-Art & Textiles
- 22 March Feel Good Friday & Out of School Awards. **School closes for the Easter holiday**
- 08 April School re-opens to staff & pupils
- 06 May 2023 School closed for May Day Holiday
- 24 May School closes for half term
- 03 June School re-opens to staff and pupils

Dates correct at time of going to print! Full details of events will be sent out in advance. Our website is regularly updated with new events. Remember to follow us on Facebook for further reminders and to read about all of our good news stories.

Best wishes

Mrs Ridley



04 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Measles (MMR) Vaccine Reminder

There is an increasing number of people with measles in Birmingham. Most of these are young children who have not had their MMR (measles) vaccine.

Measles is a highly infectious disease, which can be very serious. Two doses of the MMR vaccine is the best protection against measles. Over 80% of Birmingham children and adults have had the MMR vaccine. We need everyone protected.

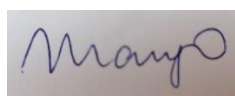
The MMR vaccine is safe for every faith. There is a type of MMR vaccine that does not contain pork gelatine, so it can be used for people who do not touch any pork products. This vaccine is available at every GP practice, and it is free.

Please contact your GP to book an appointment for Measles (MMR) vaccine.

Children and adults can catch up on any missed vaccines. Children should have the first dose at 1 year old and the second dose at 3 years and 4 months old. Two doses of the MMR can provide life-long immunity.

Anyone unvaccinated who is exposed to someone with measles may be advised to isolate for 3 weeks. This would disrupt their learning or work and could happen repeatedly.

Yours sincerely,



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For more information visit: [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Use this section to record the date and time of your child's vaccination appointment:

on: ____ / ____ / ____ (date) at ____ am/pm (time).