



Grendon Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our next parents evening of the year will take place on Wednesday 7th February and Thursday 8th February from 3:35pm - 5:35pm. As we started last year, and to improve efficiency for both us and yourselves, you will need to book your appointments online. Please use the link below. You will need your name and email address exactly as you have provided it for our records. You will also be asked to enter your child's name and date of birth. This will take you to the home page. Please click the blue "make/edit my own booking" option and simply click the time that is convenient. Remember to scroll down the page to see both days, and chose either a Wednesday or Thursday appointment. You will then get an email confirmation of this day and time. If for any reason you need to cancel, please log back in and cancel your appointment. This will free that time for other parents to select. We will use the same structure as for our previous parents evening. You will get academic and pastoral information, including attendance print outs and details of any additional interventions that your child is involved in.

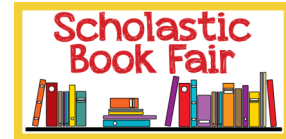
<http://www.parents-booking.co.uk/grendon>

Best wishes
Mrs Ridley

LIBRARY TIMETABLE CHANGES

After taking on board feedback we have received from parents; we are proposing to change the days for the library.

This will start on Monday 19th February which is the first week after half term. Library starts at 08:10 and doors shut at 08:20. Children go to class straight from the library at 08:40.
Monday - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.
Tuesday - Years 1 and 2.
Thursday - This session will now be for siblings across different year groups who cannot attend on the other days.

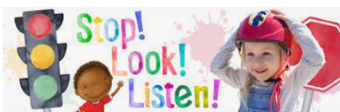


We are pleased to be holding a Scholastic Book Fayre. This will be in school from Tuesday 20th February until Friday 23rd February 2024. More details to follow.

Junior Leader Day - Road Safety

Don't forget it will be the Junior Leader Road Safety Day on Tuesday February 6th! Try to wear colours that represent the traffic lights e.g. green, amber and red. There will be special visitors coming to work with all children; so don't miss out on the amazing activities!

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General Reminders:

- Book bags and PE kits need to be brought into school every day.
- Please provide a named, refillable water bottle for your child which can be refilled from our water coolers.
- We do not have facilities or staff available to look after children before or after school unless they attend a club. Please make sure your children are collected on time each day.
- Routine medical appointments such as dentist and opticians should where possible, be booked after school, or during the holidays. This is coded as an 'M' but does affect your child's overall attendance.
- All absences and medical appointments need to be reported to the office and evidence provided.
- Uniform reminder - Leggings are not part of our school uniform. Can we ask you to check and follow our uniform policy.
- No jewellery other than stud earrings should be worn in school.

Children's Rights

Children's Rights on Safer Internet Day

Children use the internet in so many different ways and using so many different devices. It is important that adults are mindful of children's safety when they are online. Safer Internet Day is an annual celebration of internet safety and will take place on 6th February. In school we will explore ways to stay safe online with children in assemblies. Safer Internet Day is an ideal time to consider children's rights from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. The right most pertinent to Safer Internet Day is Article 17 although Article 19 and Article 34 are also linked.

At home you could ask your children what they know about being safe online. You should make sure you know how your children are accessing the internet and set clear rules for online behaviour. If you want more information on staying safe online then a great place to start is our website under the safeguarding tab, 'Grendon Primary - Online Safety'.



Article 17

I have the right to collect information from the media from all around the world. I should be protected from information that could harm me.



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING!



30 January	Y5 & Y6 Girls Football Competition
06 February	Junior Leader Day - Road Safety
7&8 February	Parents Evening (both days) from 3:35 - 5:35pm
09 February	Feel Good Friday & Out of School Awards
19 February	School closes for half term at 3:20pm
20 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
	St Briavels Parent Meeting at 3:30pm-KS2 Hall
29 February	Y4 Parent Share-Science States of Matter
05 March	Y1 visit to 'All Things Wild'
07 March	World Book Day
14 March	Parent Share - French 'Au Café'
19 March	Y3 Parent Share-Art & Textiles
20 March	KS2 Easter Assembly
	Y1 Dance Track Auditions
21 March	KS1 Bonnet Parade
22 March	Feel Good Friday & Out of School Awards
08 April	School re-opens to staff & pupils
09 April	Blackwell Court Parent Meeting at 3:30pm
17-18 April	St Briavels Residential
25 April	Reception visit to Tamworth Castle
2 May	Class Photos & Y6 Individual portraits
06 May	School closed for May Day Holiday
7-8 May	Life Education Visit—Y2,3,4 & 5
9 May	Y4 & Y6 Parent Workshops

Full details of events will be sent out in advance
Our website is regularly updated with new events
Dates correct at time of going to print!

Local Authority Term Dates 2023-2024

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 January 2024
Half Term: **Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February**
Terms ends: Friday 22 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April
Half Term: **Monday 27 May 2023 to Friday 1 June**
Term Ends: Monday 22 July

Autumn Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 2 September
Half-term: **Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November**
Term ends: Friday 20 December

Teacher Training Days when school is closed to pupils:
22 July 2024

Governing Board Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and/or Community Governor. This could be a relative or friend.

We are looking for you to have:

- The curiosity to question and analyse,
- A willingness to learn,
- Good inter-personal skills,
- Appropriate levels of Maths & English,
- Commitment to attend regular meetings.

Financial or HR experience would be beneficial, but not a requirement.

This is a great opportunity for you to make a difference to the school, empower students and enable positive change.

For more information about the role or the application process, please contact Mrs Rainford. Application forms are available from the office or via email: arainford@grendon.bham.sch.uk should you wish to apply.



RESIDENTIAL VISITS

St Briavel's Castle - Years 3 & 4

From 17th - 18th April. There are a couple of places remaining on this popular overnight residential. They stay in a medieval castle and feast in the banquet hall; as well as take part in exiting activities.
Total cost is £120.00 which needs to be paid by 15th March 2024.



Please speak to Mr Darby for further information, or if your child is interested in taking part.

There is a meeting on Tuesday 27th February at 3:30pm in the KS2 hall. This is for parents whose children are already attending.

All deposits need to be paid by 31st January.

Blackwell Court - Years 5 & 6:

This is full and we do have a waiting list.
Date: 8th July - 10th July inclusive.
Balance to be paid by Friday 7th June 2024.

Home time.....

If you send someone else to collect your children; please let staff know in advance.
Staff will not release children to anyone they do not know or without prior knowledge.

Toilets

Please be aware we do not have toilets for public use.

Office Opening Hours

8:40 - 9:00am
3:10 - 3:30pm

Just a reminder to check out our Facebook page and website for photos of our recent school events including parent workshops!

