



Grendon Primary School  
27 March 2026

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Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of another term, I wanted to thank you all again for your support both this week with our Easter Assembly and Easter Bonnet Parade and more generally across the term. Together, WE really CAN, and do make a huge difference.

This is shown in all sorts of ways, but I would especially like to share some great news about attendance. The data below clearly shows the improvement that together we have demonstrated. We have been set an improvement target of 94.4% for this academic year by the Department for Education, and are delighted to report that at 95% for the year to date, we are way ahead of this. Huge thanks and congratulations to you all.

Please remember that we are always here to help and support improvements in attendance. Your child will have their next printout after half term and you will see how their individual percentages compare with school averages below. Please do come and talk to us if you are concerned; we really are here to help. In the meantime, I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter holiday. Let's hope the sun shines at least a little! We will see you all on 13th April at the usual time.

Term	Attendance %	Absence %
Autumn 2024-2025	93.9%	6.1%
Autumn 2025-2026	94.3%	5.7%
Trend	↑	↓
Spring 2024-2025	93.4%	6.6%
Spring 2025-2026	95.1%	4.9%
Trend	↑	↓

Best wishes  
Mrs Ridley

### CLOCKS GOING FORWARD - DON'T FORGET!

Sunday 29 March 2026

Just a reminder to put your clocks forward on Sunday morning!



We close for the Easter Holiday on Friday 27th March at 3:20pm.

We re-open to pupils and staff on Monday 13th April 2026.



### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

We have received complaints about the parking issues in Grendon Road. As you are aware we have worked together to improve the parking and movement near to school over the past 5 years. We are committed to ensuring everyone is safe, when they travel to and from school, however we must ALL play our part in this. Please park safely. DO NOT park in front of the school gates, on the zigzags or the pavement. The children's safety is put at risk when this occurs, please consider this when dropping off and collecting your children. We will continue to work with the local community, Police and Council to ensure improvements continue within Grendon Road.

It is your responsibility to contact the school office, either in person or by leaving a message, to report your child's absence before 9:00am.

The school gates open at 8:40am, registration is at 9:00am. If your child arrives after that time, they are late and must be brought to the office by an adult to provide a reason. If your child arrives before 9:20am, this will be coded as 'L'. If your child arrives after 9:20am this will be coded a 'U' - this is the same as missing a half day, and will affect their overall attendance.

Medical appointments - where possible please avoid booking routine appointments during the school day. Evidence of appointments must be brought in advance to the office.

The school day ends at 3:20pm. Please make sure your child/ren are collected on time, and that you leave the school site promptly.

Mobile Phones - Mobile phones should not be brought into school with the exception of Year 6 children who go home alone. ALL phones should be switched off and brought to the school office for safekeeping. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please settle outstanding dinner money, trip money etc. as we cannot extend this amount of credit. Thanks!

### Grendon Garden Seed Sale

Tuesday 14th April at 3:10pm

Year 4 and Year 6 prefects have been busy collecting seeds and making packets.

We will be selling these after school for 25p each.

Please support our school gardening project.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

27 Mar	Feel Good Friday - Independence
27 Mar	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR EASTER at 3:20pm
13 Apr	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO STAFF & PUPILS
14 April	St Bravelis Residential Meeting at 3:35pm
14 April	Seed Sale at 3:10pm
21 April	Blackwell Court Mtg 3:30 in Y6 class
23 April	Y5 Workshop - 'A Class Act'
04 May	CLOSED FOR MAY DAY HOLIDAY
06 May	Reception visit to Tamworth Castle
11-15 May	Y6 SATs week
19 May	Y4 Parent Share Session at 9am
22 May	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR HALF TERM
01 June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO STAFF & PUPILS
03 June	Year 3 visit to Botanical Gardens
04 June	School Photographer in - Individual Photos
09 June	Y1 & Y2 Multi Skills Competition
8-10 June	Blackwell Court Residential
15 June	Reception Class - Ducklings arrive
23 June	Y6 Share Session at 2pm
25-26 June	St Bravelis Residential
30 June	Y1 Parent Share Session at 9am
01 July	Secondary School Transition Day
02 July	Summer Fair from 5pm - 7pm
09 July	Y2 Drumming Workshop
13 July	Parents Evening
14 July	Y6 Leavers Assembly @ 9:15am
15 July	Y6 Leavers Disco 6-8pm
17 July	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER BREAK
20 July	Teacher Training Day

Full details of all 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 2025-2026

**Spring Term 2026**  
Term Starts: Monday 5 January 2026  
Half Term: Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February  
Terms ends: Friday 27 March  
Easter Break: Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April

**Summer Term 2026**  
Term Starts: Monday 13 April  
Half Term: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May  
Term Ends: Monday 20 July

**Autumn Term 2026**  
Term Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026  
Half Term: Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October  
Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Teacher Training Days when school is closed to pupils:

20 July 2026.  
September Teacher Days TBC

## Residential Visit Meetings for Parent/Carers:

### St Bravelis Castle:

Mr Hedderley is holding a meeting on Tuesday 14th April at 3:35pm in KS1 Hall for parents of children who are taking part in this exciting trip.

### Blackwell Court:

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 3.30pm in class 6N with Mr Norris

Your attendance is important, as this will help to ensure that all children are fully prepared, and that we have the correct information to support them.

## SCHOOL BOOKS

Please can we ask that school and library books are looked after and returned on time. If books are lost or damaged, unfortunately a £7.00 charge is applicable, due to books having to be replaced as they are part of a set. If you would like to purchase a plastic book bag this can be bought from the school shop on Schoolmoney for 50p. Thank you.



## District Football Trials

Aston Villa are looking to add to their teams by holding trials for children currently in Year 3, 4, & 5. These trials will take place on weekends across May at the Aston Villa Inner City Academy off Tame Road.

We have been asked to share the attached flyer with you. The link on the flyer will take any interested children or parents to a webpage where they can sign up for information on the trials.



## PARKING

We do appreciate how busy Grendon Road is during peak times, but ask you not to park on the yellow zigzags outside the school gates or on the pavement. The children's safety is put at risk when this occurs and you need to consider this when dropping off and collecting your children. **DO NOT PARK OVER DRIVEWAYS OR BLOCK PATHWAYS.**

We constantly receive complaints from local residents and ask that you be considerate when parking your car. Residents have been advised to contact Billesley Police with any parking issues/abusive behaviour.



## Toilets

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



## Office Opening Hours



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



No electronic cigarettes