



Grendon Primary School 18 September 2026

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Dear Parents,

Annual Permission Forms

Thank you for assisting the school in collecting the required data regarding who to contact and key details regarding your child/children. This information is essential so that school operates effectively and in line with the GDPR regulations. If you are yet to return the forms or complete the online form, please do so as this will support the school identify the permissions that you have agreed to.

Uniform

At Grendon school one of the ways we ensure equality for our children is by having a school uniform. We believe it helps to unify the children and shows our identity as a school. It has been great to see the children each morning in their uniform looking extremely smart. Please note that Acrylic nails are not part of our uniform policy and should not be worn in school.

Should you wish to view the School Uniform Policy it can be found by clicking the link below:

<https://www.grendon.bham.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=5058&type=pdf>

Best wishes
Mr Darby

Important Reminders

**Gates open at 8:40am.
Registration takes place at 8:50am.**

- Children who arrive after 8:50am are late and must be brought to the School Office by an adult to provide a reason.
- Book Bags and PE kits are required in school every day.
- We are a cashless school. All payments for dinner money, school trips, music fees and uniform need to be paid through Schoolmoney. Please log on and make sure you can access this.
- Dinner money is currently £13.25 per week which needs to be paid in advance; either weekly, monthly or termly for your convenience. **We cannot extend credit.** Changes to dinner arrangements need to be notified to the office giving 2 weeks notice.
- **School uniform should be worn at all times and clearly labelled with your child's name.** We do keep stock which can be ordered from 'The Shop' in Schoolmoney. We will contact you when your order is ready for collection.
- We regularly hold Uniform 'Pop Up' Shops where you can collect good quality second-hand uniform. We will confirm dates asap.
- The weather is changing daily and ask that you send your child in with a coat.
- **All long hair needs to be tied back.** Children should not have colours in their hair for school. **No jewellery other than stud earrings should be worn.**
- If anyone, other than yourself is collecting your child from school, you need to let us know. We will not release your children to anyone without prior notification. We will question anyone you have sent to collect your children on your behalf without speaking to us.
- If your child has an inhaler and/or prescribed medication, please make sure this is in school at all times.

SCHOOL MEALS

We appear to have children who are swapping their lunch choices on a daily basis - we cannot manage this!

You must let the office know in writing/email giving sufficient notice, if your child wishes to change their lunch arrangement. Your child can choose to have a mix of packed lunch / school meal. This must be on the same day each week. Sandwiches can be ordered from school in advance.

We offer a varied menu which the Junior Leaders and kitchen staff worked on together last year. These are available to view on our website or you can collect a copy from the office.

Attendance

Improving attendance continues to be part of our School Improvement Plan this year. We know how important it is, not only for their academic achievement, but for children's mental health, wellbeing and social development, that they are in school each day. We are delighted with our attendance figures since the start of term, but wanted to give you a few reminders:

- Medical appointments count as an absence. Please do all you can to arrange these outside of the school day, or in the 175 days a year when children are not in school. Where this is not possible, please help by keeping any time missed to the minimum amount of time necessary for the appointment. We do need to see evidence of all appointments.
- If your child is late to school and arrives after 9.20am, we are legally required to give them a U code on our register, which is an absence code. It is vital that children are in school on time.
- Please telephone us before 9.30am to report any absence for your child.

Our website is full of information to help, including guidance on how long children need to remain off school with which illnesses and how to reduce risk of illness.

Remember that we really are here to help. Please come and talk to us if you feel that your child's attendance or punctuality is a concern. We have access to and can signpost you to further support if needed, as well as having a raft of support that we can offer you ourselves.

We really can't do this without you.

Together, WE CAN!



RESIDENTIAL VISITS

We are running two residential again this academic year. One for children in Years 3 & 4 and one for children in Years 5 & 6.

Year 3 & 4 St Bravels Castle: 13th - 14th May 2027

Year 5 & 6 Blackwell Court: 21st June - 23rd June 2027

Full details to follow.....

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

23 Sept	Y4 Visit to Black Country Museum
02 Oct	Whole School Day - International Music
06 Oct	Parents Evening 3:35 - 5:45pm
08 Oct	Parents Evening 3:35 - 5:45pm
14 Oct	Year 5 visit to Forge Mill Farm
19 Oct	Nasal Flu Vaccination for all pupils
20 Oct	Year 6 - Graffiti Stars Workshop in school
21 Oct	Year 1 visit to 'All Things Wild'
22 Oct	Harvest Assembly in school
23 Oct	Feel Good Friday & Out of School Awards
23 Oct	School closes for half term at 3:20pm
02 Nov	School closed for Teacher Training
03 Nov	School re-opens to pupils
11 Nov	Open Day for prospective parents
11 Nov	School Photographs - Class Groups
08 Dec	Y3 Stone Age Workshop in school
16 Dec	Nativity in school/Class Christmas Parties
18 Dec	Feel Good Friday
18 Dec	School closes for Christmas break

Full details of all events will be sent out in advance

Local Authority Term Dates 2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 2026

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

Spring Term 2027

Term Starts: Monday 4th January 2027
Half Term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February
Terms ends: Thursday 25th March 2027
Easter Break: Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April

Summer Term 2027

Term Starts: Monday 12th April
Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 5th June
Term Ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027

Teacher Training Days when school is closed to pupils:
1 & 2 September 2026, 2nd November 2026, 4th January 2027
& 21st July 2027.

MUSIC TUITION

Music Fees are £35 per term, per instrument; payable in advance at the beginning of each term. (September, January & April).
If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument and in Y3 - Y6, we offer lessons in Violin, Flute & Clarinet. Please complete and return the letter of interest available from Mr Bache.



Instrument	Day	Time
Flute & Clarinet	Monday	1:15 - 3:15pm
Violin	Tuesday	1:00 - 3:20pm



FLU VACCINATION

All children from Reception to Year 6 are entitled to have the nasal flu vaccine in school which is due to take place on 19th October 2026. Full details will follow.



Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival celebrations will take place in school on Thursday 22nd October. Parents are welcome to attend.



Full details to follow....

PUPILS TRANSFERRING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2027.

Families with children due to start secondary school in September 2027 (Children born between 1/9/2015 and 31/8/2016) are now able to apply for secondary school places.

Closing date for applications is: 31st October 2026

All the information families need to make their applications is on the council website <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

You can also access a short video giving details, using the link below, or see the attached letter

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzAIIlyhBjY>

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 11th November



They will be taking class group photos on this occasion. Please make sure children are wearing full school uniform.

Photographs can be viewed and ordered on line.

We are pleased to be inviting parents/carers of children due to start Reception in September 2027, to attend our 'Open Day' which will be held on:

Wednesday 11th November
Times: 2-3pm and 6-7pm

'WOW' Walk to School tracker is now active. New Badges will be handed out during the first week of each month.



RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2027

If your child was born between 01/09/2022 & 31/08/2023 they are due to start school in September 2027.

You can apply for a primary school place from 1st October 2026. Applications must be completed on-line at: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Closing date for applications: 15th January 2027.



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. Thank you for your co-operation



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