

Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I can't believe we are heading towards the end of the month already. The time has gone so fast! It has been great to see so many exciting things taking place within the school and many opportunities for staff to share the new learning that will take place during the recent 'Welcome Meetings'.

Please find below key dates and information, explaining what is happening in school over the coming weeks.

Parents Evenings - Tuesday 6th & Thursday 8th October 2026

To book an appointment for the forthcoming Parents Evening you will need to do so online. Please use the link below:

<https://www.parents-booking.co.uk/grendonprimary>

When booking your appointment, you will need to type your name and email address exactly as you have provided for our school records. You will also be asked to enter your child's name and date of birth. This will then take you to the home page. Please click the blue 'make/edit my own booking' option and simply click the time is convenient.

Remember to scroll down the page to view both days and choose either the Tuesday or Thursday appointments. When selecting the appointment only select the Class Teacher for your child. Please do not select the Teaching Assistant as they will not be able to meet with you.

You will then receive an email confirmation of the day and time selected.

If for any reason you need to cancel, please log back in and cancel your appointment. This will then free that time for other parents to select.

Please note that the booking system will close on Thursday 1st October at 4pm.

Annual Permission Forms

Thank you for assisting the school in collecting the required data regarding who to contact and key details for your child/children. This information is essential so that school operates effectively and in line with the GDPR regulations.

Uniform

At Grendon Primary 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. 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>

Attendance

Thank you for ensuring your child is at school. As you can see from the information below, attendance remains in line with the national average. Should your child be unwell and therefore unable to attend school, please inform the office.

Current academic year up to Monday 21 September 2026

Number of pupils 		Overall attendance %	Overall absence %	Unauthorised absence %
289		95.6%	4.4%	1.4%
Persistently absent				
Number of persistently absent pupils	Percentage of persistently absent pupils	Severely absent		
39	13.5%	Number of severely absent pupils	Percentage of severely absent pupils	
		4	1.4%	

Last 5 days (15 September 2026 to 21 September 2026) ^①

Overall attendance %	Overall absence %	Unauthorised absence %
94.7%	5.3%	1.3%

Roofing update

The roofing, lighting and electrical works within school are continuing to progress well and remain on schedule. Within the current phase, the majority of the works are being completed within the Key Stage 2 area of the school.

After half term I will provide a further update regarding the next phase of the scheduled works.

Open Day - Wednesday 11th November 2026

We are extremely 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

We look forward to sharing our facilities with you during the event.

Wraparound provision for Grendon Primary School



We can now confirm that starting in spring 2027, Grendon Primary School will be offering a breakfast club and after school club with the provider 'Kidz Come First'. We are very excited to begin this new partnership and I'm sure that together, 'WE CAN' create the best ever before and after school club!

Further details will be shared in the coming weeks linked to how to book a place and costings.

Harvest Assembly



On Thursday 22nd October, the whole school will come together to celebrate the Harvest Assembly. The assembly will start at 9:10am and once again we will be helping to support the Yardley Wood Food Pantry. We kindly ask any donations of tins and packets of food are received by school from Thursday 15th October.

Drop off and Collection Information

To support everyone with the entrance and exit/collection points for the children, please see below the information for each class. Please note Senior Leaders will be outside each day to support, should you need any assistance.

RW - Miss Wilson and Miss Boynton (enter and exit through Reception gate at the end of the front playground).

1T - Mrs Thompson and Miss Roath (enter and exit through Reception gate at the end of the front playground).

2P - Mrs Pollitt and Miss Campbell (enter and exit through main entrance).

3C - Mrs Collins and Mrs Kaur (enter through Year 3 and 4 side playground and door and collect them from the carpark area, staff will direct).

4G - Mrs Godfrey and Mrs Barshan (enter through Year 3 and 4 side playground and door and collect them from the carpark area, staff will direct).

4L - Miss Locke and Mrs Suthers (enter through Year 3 and 4 side playground and door and collect them from the carpark area, staff will direct).

5F - Mr Feely and Mrs Fox (enter and exit through the door where the school library was previous located in the front playground. Please collect children from the fenced off area in the front playground).



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5H - Mr Hedderley and Mrs Beedon (enter through Year 3 and 4 side playground and door to enter school. Children will use KS1 hall door to exit school and should be collected from the front playground).

6N - Mr Norris and Mrs O'Hare/Mrs Shea (enter and exit through the door where the school library was previous located in the front playground. Please collect children from the fenced off area in the front playground).

6B - Mr Bache and Mrs O'Hare/Mrs Shea (enter and exit through the main entrance. Please collect children from the front playground).

Thank you for taking the time to read the letter. I wish you and your family a wonderful weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday.

Kind regards

Mr Darby

Head Teacher



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