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News & Updates

Welcome back to the Summer Term and to our Science Subject Spotlight. You should all have received Curriculum Catchers for this term, so you know what your child is learning in all subjects at school. Please do get in touch with our school office if you haven't received it or check out our *Letters Home* section under the *Parents* tab on our website www.grimoldbyprimaryschool.co.uk. Here you will find copies of everything we send home.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents and families for supporting your child in raising such an amazing amount through sponsorship for our special visit from inspirational Lioness, Jess Clarke. The children absolutely loved taking part in the fitness circuits with Jess and were so inspired listening to her story about playing for England and achieving her dreams through determination and hard work. We have raised nearly £600, which will go towards supporting our school and helping us provide even more enrichment activities.

Please can we remind parents to ensure all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name and class, as this is the time of year where more and more seems to go missing especially when children take their jumpers off when playing outside. Please bear in mind too that names in permanent marker do wash out – so please check regularly.

If you don't already, please follow our school Facebook page where you can regularly see what's going on in school.

Our Parent Consultations were really well attended and we are so grateful to have such supportive parents and families. Please do get in touch with school if you ever have any questions or comments. We are always here to help. A member of SLT (Antonia Coy, Becky Taylor, Rebecca Nicholson or Sophie Waters) will always be on the main playground every morning and afternoon. Do come and talk to us.

Attendance

Attendance is monitored very closely every month. Parents will be contacted if we are concerned about your child's attendance and it is below 95%. In August 2024, the Department for Education published the following guidance, which all schools have to follow and has been designed to help schools and local authorities maintain high levels of attendance - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance>

The Local Authority has produced the following attendance descriptions:

School Attendance - boundaries and description	
Boundary	Description
95-100%	As expected
91-94%	At risk of persistent absence
80-90%	Persistent absence
51-79%	At risk of severe absence
<=50%	Severe absence



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At our school, we expect 96% attendance from all our children. Our current year to date average attendance is 96.1%! We are so proud of how hard our parents, children and staff work to make this high level of attendance happen.

We will write to you after our monthly attendance monitoring if your child's attendance is below this expectation. This is to inform you and also so that we can work together to improve your child's attendance. We also appreciate every child is unique and there can be many reasons why attendance isn't where it should be. If you are asked to attend an attendance panel meeting, this is so we can work together to support you to make an improvement.

A copy of our school attendance policy can also be found on our website on the Policies page.

Please can I remind all parents that term time holidays will not be approved? All children need to be in school: parents will receive a fixed penalty notice warning letter in conjunction with the Local Authority guidance if a term-time holiday is taken and you will receive a fine.

Sports Day

Our EYFS (Reception and Nursery children starting school in September) Sports Day will begin at 2.15pm on Monday 15th of June. For children in KS1 and KS2, Sports

Day will take place on Tuesday 16th of June at 1.30pm.

Both of these Sports Days will finish before the end of the school day and children will return to their classrooms to get their belongings. Staff will then send the children home in the usual way.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend these events, and we will open the school gates 15 minutes before we start. Please bring a picnic blanket or foldable chairs if you wish to sit down.

The children are really looking forward to seeing you at Sports Day and are already practising for the day! To make things easier, please can children come to school dressed in their PE kit for the day? Instead of wearing their normal t-shirt, children in KS1 and KS2 can come in a t-shirt of their choice (or a hat) to match the colour of their house point team:

Walrus - blue

Spitfire - green

Vampire - red

Lancaster – yellow

Don't worry if they haven't got a t-shirt in their house colour as we can provide them with a coloured band to wear.

Jewellery

We have noticed more and more children are wearing jewellery to school. Stud



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earrings and watches are acceptable; however, for health and safety reasons children should not be wearing bracelets, rings, necklaces or hooped earrings.

We really appreciate your support in reminding your child to leave jewellery at home and not wearing it for school.

Supporting your child at home

Please continue to support your child with reading at home. We have our own online library system, and we have every single schoolbook logged. Did you know your child can access our library system at home, write a review or even reserve a book? Please get in touch with us if you would like further information about this.

All children enjoy being read to (even children in Year 6). Just by spending 10 minutes reading together at home, you will really help support your child's progress. Remember, reading impacts our whole curriculum and our children love it!

Don't forget to access Bug Club Online, The White Rose Maths App and Times Tables Rock Stars (KS2) too. If you need any support with any of our online programmes or games, do get in touch with your child's class teacher.

Parent SHARE Events

During the summer term we would like to invite all our parents with children in

Reception – Year 6 to come and join us for a Science SHARE. Please come and take part in a science lesson in school on the following dates:

Reception – 4th June at 2.30pm

Year 1 – 25th June at 2.30pm

Year 2 – 8th June at 2.30pm

Year 3 – 5th June at 2.30pm

Year 4 – 17th June at 2.30pm

Year 5 – 18th May at 2.30pm

Year 6 – 20th may at 2.30pm

If your child is in Nursery, please join us for a Stay and Play on Monday 8th June at 11 – 11.30am or Tuesday 9th June at 2.30 – 3pm.

FrOGS

We are so lucky to have such a wonderful group of volunteers at FrOGS, and we are so grateful for everything they do to raise money for our school and organise such special events for our children and families. Following the huge popularity of our Mother's Day Pop-Up Shop, FrOGS will also be holding a Father's Day Pop-Up Shop on Thursday 18th June, where children will be able to buy a special gift for fathers, grandfathers, uncles or another important person in their life.

FrOGS will also be organising two games, film and social events for children from Reception to Year 6. The KS2 event will take place after school on Thursday 21st may and the Reception and KS1 event will be held after school on Thursday 4th June. These



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events are a fantastic opportunity for children to spend time together, play games, watch a film, enjoy some snacks and have fun with their friends. We really hope all our children will support these events and purchase a ticket to come along and join in the fun.

Finally, please save the date for the afternoon of Friday 3rd July, when we will be holding our Family Picnic. All families are invited to join us for what promises to be a lovely afternoon together. More details will follow after half term.

Safeguarding

The safeguarding of our children is always our priority. If you are concerned about the safety of anyone in our community, please do get in touch with us immediately. Our safeguarding team is Antonia Coy (DSL), Becky Taylor (DDSL), Sophie Waters (SENDSCO) and Abby Clark (FSW).

If your child isn't in school, we do need to know where they are and that they are safe. Please make sure you contact school if your child is unwell and let us know their symptoms. If you haven't called us by 9.30am, we will call every emergency contact number we have for your child until we know they are safe.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. You can also call Lincolnshire Children's Safeguarding on 01522 782111 or

alternatively The NSPCC Helpline on 0808 800 5000. You do not need to know everything about the situation: you may just feel worried or feel that something isn't right. The NSPCC Helpline is staffed by trained professionals who can provide expert advice and support.

Online Safety

Online activity continues to have a huge impact on children globally, and therefore it's so important that we empower our parents to support online activity at home.

The Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership is holding a free online safety Q & A event, on 20th May at 6pm, for all parents with primary aged children. You must sign up prior to the event to gain access. The event will then be recorded and sent out to everyone who signed up. Please sign up using the link below!

✦ Online Safety Webinar for Primary Aged Parents ✦

Learn about apps, games, social media and online risks – plus practical ways to keep your child safe.

 **Wed 20 May** |  **18:00–19:30**

 **Microsoft Teams**

 Register via the link

below. <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/taysafepartnership/2160048>

✦ **Feel confident keeping your child safe while they explore the online world.** ✦



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

11 th May	Y6 SATs Week
12 th May	Reception & KS1 Drop-In 3.15 – 3.45pm
15 th May	Wear it Green Day!
18 th May	Y5 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
19 th May	KS2 Dop-In 3.15-3.45pm
20 th May	Parent SEND and Wellbeing Coffee Morning 8.30am
20 th May	National Numeracy Day
20 th May	Y6 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
21 st May	FrOGS KS2 Social 3.15-4.30pm
22 nd May	Reception visit to Tattershall Farm
22 nd May	Last day of term
1 st June	First day of term
1 st June	Y4 Multiplication Check
4 th June	Reception Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
4 th June	FrOGS Rec & KS1 Social 3.15-4.15pm
5 th June	Y3 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
8 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening
8 th June	Nursery Stay and Play 11-11.30
8 th June	Y2 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
9 th June	Nursery Stay and Play 2.30-3pm
12 th June	Crazy Golf Enrichment Day
15 th June	EYFS Sports Afternoon
16 th June	KS1 & KS2 Sports Afternoon
17 th June	Class Photos
17 th June	Y4 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
18 th June	Little City EYFS Experience
18 th June	FrOGS Fathers Day Shop
24 th June	Y1 – Y6 Skateboarding Workshops
25 th June	Y1 Parent SHARE 2.30-3pm
1 st July	Y6 Somercotes Academy Transition Day
1 st July	Y6 Louth Academy Transition Day
2 nd July	Y6 Somercotes Academy Transition Day
2 nd July	Y6 Louth Academy Transition Day
2 nd July	Y6 QEGS Transition Day
3 rd July	Y6 Louth Academy Transition Day
3 rd July	Family Picnic Afternoon
7 th July	Y6 KEVIGS Transition Day
8 th July	Y6 KEVIGS Transition Day
9 th July	Y6 John Spendluffe Transition Day
10 th July	Y6 John Spendluffe Transition Day
22 nd July	Last day of term
3 rd September	First day of term