



Wednesday 22nd February 2023

Dear Parents and carers,

News and Updates

I hope you had a brilliant half term and welcome back to the second half of Spring Term 2023. The children have come back to school with lots of smiles and enthusiasm for their learning, and we are - as always - being the best that we can be. Our class projects will continue to focus on History, with children in KS2 deepening their knowledge and continuing with their project launched after Christmas. Children in EYFS and KS1 have started a new project and you should receive a new Knowledge Organiser for you to use with your child at home. Knowledge Organisers provide all the key knowledge that your child needs to flourish throughout the project, and reading as much as possible with your child at home also helps support all aspects of their education.

Mrs Alex Smith is sadly leaving us on Friday, after 21 years of working at our school. I am sure you will join me in wishing her well for the future and thanking her for the dedication and support she has given to so many children over the many years she has worked here. Mrs Smith is moving onto something completely different, and we would like to wish her lots of luck with her new venture.

Uniform and PE Kit

Please ensure your child brings their PE kit to school every Monday and leaves it in school until Friday every week. Please also ensure all your child's uniform and PE kit is clearly named so we can give any lost items back to their owners.

Afterschool Clubs

We continue to offer a range of afterschool clubs for our children:

Monday	3:20-4:20pm	Y5 & Y6 GTFC Football & Multiskills
Monday	3:15-4:15pm	Y1 – Y6 Twist & Flip Gymnastics Academy
Tuesday	3:15-4:15pm	Circus Skills Y2 – Y6
Wednesday	3:15-4:15pm	Y1 & Y2 GTFC Football & Multiskills
Thursday	3:15-4:15pm	JB's Sport Coaching - Boxercise
Friday	3:15-4:15pm	Y3 & Y4 GTFC Football & Multiskills

Please get in touch with Mrs Day in the office if you would like any more information or to sign your child up to any of our afterschool clubs.

Contact Information and Safeguarding

If you have moved house, have a new telephone number, or would like to change the safeguarding arrangements for who can collect your child, please do get in touch with our school office. It is so important we have the correct contact information and the correct medical information for your child (especially as this may change as your child becomes older).

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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you have any concerns about the welfare of any child please do get in touch with our Safeguarding Team: Antonia Brooks (Designated Safeguarding Lead), Stuart Spendlow (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) or Caroline Jaines (Family Support Worker). You can also call Lincolnshire Children's Services on 01522 782111.

Please remember that we won't let a child go home with someone if they're not on their safeguarding list or if we haven't had a message directly from you letting us know.

Parent SHARE Events

We really enjoy welcoming our parents into school to share our lessons and learning. SHARE events will take place on the following days this term:

Year 1 – 7th March at 14.15 – 14.45

Year 2 – 10th March at 14.30 – 15.00

Year 3 – 8th March at 14.30 – 15.00

Year 4 – 6th March at 14.30 – 15.00

Year 5 – 9th March at 14.30 – 15.00

Year 6 – 14th March at 13.30 – 14.00

Please come along and take part in a History lesson with your child.

Nursery SHARE sessions will also be taking place on Monday 13th March at 11.00 – 11.30 and Thursday 16th March at 13.30 – 14.00.

Parents Evenings

Face to face Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd of March. Appointments will be made via School Cloud and we will let you know once our booking system is open. As always, please do not wait for Parents Evening if you have any concerns or questions. Do get in touch with us as soon as possible as we are always here to help.

Attendance

We regularly monitor children's attendance and expect attendance to be at least 96%. If your child's attendance falls below this, we will let you know so we can work together to improve this. Attendance at or below 90% is classed as persistent absence. If your child is classed as a persistent absentee, we will invite you into school for a meeting to complete an action plan to improve this.

Good attendance is so important for your child academically, socially and emotionally. We strongly believe in working in unity with our families and will do all we can to support good attendance for your child.

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Top tips for good attendance

- Establish a good morning routine;
- Book all appointments eg: dentist, opticians, in school holidays;
- Attend parents evenings to discuss your child's progress;
- Don't keep your child off school with minor ailments;
- Book your holiday in school holidays;
- Be honest about your situation and talk to us

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you so very much for your continued support for our school. It has been wonderful to see and hear the happiness in every classroom. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not ever hesitate to get in touch with us via enquiries@grimoldbyprimaryschool.co.uk or 01507 327393.

Please do also follow our main twitter page **@grimoldbyschool** and your child's class page. You will be able to see regular updates about what is going on in school.

Yours faithfully

Antonia Brooks
Headteacher

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