



Gorse Covert Primary School

January News

**Happy
New
Year!**

Staff Changes

We are delighted to welcome Mr Jepson to our team. He has replaced Mr Henaghen in Y4.

Miss Tolley will be leaving on Friday 18th January to have her baby and Miss Worthington is excited to be covering her maternity leave.

We are also very pleased to have Mr Gibson back from supporting another school.

Email system

In February we will be using an email system to send newsletters and other important letters.

It is up to you whether you wish to share your email address but after a 3 month trial period we will no longer send all letters out on paper and so you will have to access letters through the school website.

Text messages will continue to be sent for reminders and urgent messages and the email system will be mainly for letters.

Thank you to those who have already sent in your email addresses. If you haven't already done so, please do before the end of January.

**Advance Notice
of
Parents' Evening
4th April**

Uniform

Please be reminded that nail varnish is not allowed in school and hairbands should be blue, black or white. School socks should be plain black, grey or white. Thank you for your co-operation.

Extra Clubs and Activities

KS2 Choir

Thursdays 3.15-4.15

WSA Dodgeball Y3-6

Thursdays 3.15-4.30pm

WSA Cheerleading/Dance YR-Y2

Fridays 3.15-4.30pm

Y5/6 Netball

Monday 3.15-4.15pm

Young Voices Y4-6

Thursdays 3.15-4.15

New Morning Clubs to start soon. Information to follow!

Tuesday Gymnastics Y3-6

Thursday Multi-sports YR-6

Friday Gymnastics Y1/2

These clubs will begin at 8am.

Please ensure you inform school if your child has been in school but will not be attending their chosen club one evening.

Swimming for Y3

Fridays

10 weeks starting
18th January-29th
March

Advance Notices

Miss Ireland's class assembly

Wednesday 23rd January 9am

Mrs Pennington's class assembly

Wednesday 6th February 9am

Young Voices

Monday 11th February

Valentines' Disco

Wednesday 13th February

Miss Tolley's class assembly

Wednesday 20th March

Easter Assembly Y3/4

Wednesday 3rd April 9am

Parents' Evening

Thursday 4th April

Next School Break

School Closes :

Friday 15th Feb 3.15pm

School Opens:

Monday 25th Feb at 8.55am

Please help us to keep our records up-to-date. If you have changed telephone number, please ensure our office staff have the new details. Should there be an emergency involving your child or your child is unwell, we need to be able to contact some-

Change to Admission numbers

The consultation for changes to admission numbers from September 2020 continues until 31st January. After that date, if the Local Authority is still in agreement, our numbers for Reception in 2020 will reduce to 30.

Parking around school

Please park in a considerate manner around the roads leading to school.

A number of our neighbours have complained to the police about some of the dangerous parking near school in the morning and at the end of the day.

Help to keep our children safe

Do not park on the kerb

Do not park on the zigzags



If you use the pub car park please do not block delivery bays.

Please also do not drive into the staff carpark as these are very busy and dangerous areas.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who ensure that their child has good attendance and punctuality.

Whilst illness can obviously not be avoided, please ensure that all medical appointments are made out of the school day whenever possible. Headteachers are no longer allowed to authorise any term time holidays and only absences with exceptional circumstances can be authorised.

There are a number of children who seem to be **regularly** coming in late through the main Reception. Please try to ensure your child is lined up on the playground with the rest of their class by 8.55am. Also, holidays in schools vary, sometimes considerably, so please always check the school website for the correct holiday dates.