



Griffithstown Primary School / Ysgol Gynradd Griffithstown

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Friday 8th September 2017,

Dear Families,

Welcome back and I hope your first few days have been 'issues' free!

Please make sure that telephone/mobile contact details are up to date. Make the office aware of any changes via email or in writing to the clerk as soon as possible... Clerk.GriffithstownPrimary@torfaen.gov.uk

Also make sure medical information and medicine is up to date. Let the office know of changes and check 'use by' dates on medication/inhalers before sending into school.

Key Dates for Autumn 2017 – *These dates are also on the school website...* [**www.griffithstown-primary.co.uk**](http://www.griffithstown-primary.co.uk)

4th September INSET Closure Day

7th September FOGS (Friends of Griffithstown School) AGM @ 3.30pm – all FOGS meetings are in the Head's Office

12th September Meet the Teachers in Year 2 (Mrs Hall and Mrs Crane-Brown) @ 3.20pm – all adult family members are welcome. If you would like to meet Miss Thomas, she will be in the classroom for informal meetings from 3.20pm on 14.9.17.

12th September Meet the Teachers in Year 6 (Miss Kembrey and Mr Blackmore) @ 3.30pm – all adult family members are welcome

12th September Meet the Teachers in Year 5 (Mrs Witherall and Mr Pembrey) @ 3.30pm – all adult family members are welcome

14th September FOGS Meeting @ 3.30pm

14th September Mr Pembrey's Class start swimming (8th February: Mrs Witherall)

We need £36 per child for the cost of the bus over the 18 week course

14th September Meet the Teachers in Reception and Rec/Y1 (Mrs Linton and Mrs Hawksworth) @ 3.20pm – all adult family members are welcome

14th September Meet the Teachers in Year 1 (Mrs Taylor and Ms McGhee) @ 3.20pm – all adult family members are welcome

14th September Meet the Teachers in Year 3/4 (Miss Coughlin and Miss Phillips) @ 3.30pm – all adult family members are welcome

14th September Meet the Teachers in Year 4 (Mrs Pugh, Mrs Cox) @ 3.30pm – all adult family members are welcome

22nd September Jeans for Genes Non Uniform Day (£1.00 donation)

25th September Hilston Park Outreach – the Hilston Park team are spending the day in school with Y3 (total cost of £7.50 per child)

26th September Dementia Training for Year 3 and Year 4

27th September Dementia Training for Year 5 and Year 6

28th September 'Nessy' Presentation @ 3.45pm, to invited families, with Mrs Cleere

29th September INSET Closure Day (3 additional INSET dates to be decided)

5th October FOGS Meeting @ 3.30pm

6th October Special Assembly with invited guests for Dementia Friendly Accreditation, celebrating our work from 2016/17 and future initiatives

12th October Flu Immunisation for Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4

16th October Book Fair Week



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- 17th October Parent/Teacher Consultations @ 3.30pm – 6.30pm
- 18th October Parent/Teacher Consultations @ 3.30pm – 6.30pm
- 23rd October FOGS Halloween Disco for Rec – Y2 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00
- 24th October FOGS Halloween Disco for Y5 and Y6 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00
- 25th October FOGS Halloween Disco for Y3 and Y4 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00
- 25th October - please begin to bring Harvest donations. These will be donated to Eastern Valley Foodbank
- 26th October Class Assembly (4PC – Mrs Pugh and Mrs Cox) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 26th October @ 2.00pm – Eastern Valley Food Bank collecting food donations
- 25th – 27th October Y5 at Hilston Park (2 nights) The total cost is £163 per child.
- 7th November Individual and Sibling Photographs
- 8th November Individual and Sibling Photographs
- 9th November FOGS Meeting @ 3.30pm
- 9th November Class Assembly (5KW – Mrs Witherall) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 10th November FOGS Christmas Shopping Evening @ 7.00pm – 9.00pm
- 13 – 17th November Anti Bullying Week 'All Different, All Equal'
- 16th November Class Assembly (5IP – Mr Pembrey) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 17th November Children in Need Non Uniform Day (£1.00 donation)
- 23rd November Class Assembly (3/4RC – Miss Coughlin) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 24th November Non Uniform Day – FOGS need donations of bric-a-brac, tins and toiletries
- 30th November Class Assembly (3/4RP – Miss Phillips) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 1st December Non Uniform Day – FOGS need donations of cakes and biscuits
- 4th December Christmas Fete @ 3.30pm
- 5th December Reception Christmas Concert for Mrs Linton parents @ 2.00pm
- 6th December Rec/Y1 Christmas Concert for Mrs Hawksworth parents @ 2.00pm
- 6th December Christmas Carol Concert for Nursery parents @ 10.00am
- 7th December FOGS Meeting @ 3.30pm
- 7th December Class Assembly (6CK – Miss Kembrey) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 7th December Christmas Dinner Day
- 11th December Year 1 Christmas Concert for Ms McGhee's parents @ 2.00pm
- 12th December Year 2 Christmas Carol Concert for Mrs Hall/Mrs Crane-Brown and Miss Thomas' parents @ 10.00am
- 13th December Year 1 Christmas Concert for Mrs Taylor's parents @ 2.00pm
- 14th December FOGS Secret Room
- 14th December Class Assembly (6JB – Mr Blackmore) @ 9.10am – 9.30am
- 15th December FOGS Secret Room
- 15th December Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children (£1.00 donation)
- 18th December FOGS Christmas Disco for Rec – Y2 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00
- 19th December FOGS Christmas Disco for Y5 and Y6 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00
- 20th December FOGS Christmas Disco for Y3 and Y4 (4.15pm – 5.30pm) @ £3.00

Best wishes, Nick Blackburn