

GYE News

Goodyers End Primary School - Issue 1

30 September 2025



Our Macmillan Cake Sale was a huge success! Thank you to all our parents & carers for sending in cakes. We have been so overwhelmed by the huge amount of donations. We raised a massive total £370.00

Wednesday 5 November

We have the school photographers in to take pupils photos -



Both individual and sibling pictures.

Please ensure children come in wearing the correct full school uniform.

Harvest Festival



Harvest Week is coming up and we will be collecting donations. We would be very grateful if any donations could be sent into school from Monday.

We are collecting locally for The Harbour Centre in Bedworth to help those in need.

BUT... please ensure you have checked items are in date.

Diary Dates

Open Evening for Reception 2026 5pm	8 Oct
Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm	21 Oct
Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm	22 Oct
Reception Bonfire Crafts 2.30-3.15pm	23 Oct
Year 2 Halloween Crafts 2.30-3.15pm	23 Oct
Last Day Of Term	23 Oct
School Closed for Pupils Staff Training Day	24 Oct
Pupils Return To School	3 Nov
Pupils Photograph Day	5 Nov
Year 2 Black County Museum Trip	6 Nov

Thursday 2 October is Census Day we will be having a special lunch menu—Menu Page 3

Jacket Potato and Egg Mayo Batch will also be available

Contact Information

If you have changed your phone number, email or address please remember to update school. Contact details for emergency contacts should also be updated as necessary. Please email, phone or message the office thank you.

Class Assemblies.

Please see below a list of dates for class assemblies. Each class warmly invite parents and family to come and watch them in their class assembly.

Please note these dates could be subject to change and we will notify you if that is the case.

All class assemblies start at 9am. After you have dropped your child off to school please queue at the pedestrian gate and we will let you in when they are ready.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>
6LA	Thursday 6 November
6M	Thursday 13 November
5B	Thursday 20 November
5S	Thursday 27 November
4W	Thursday 15 January
4D	Thursday 22 January
3H	Thursday 29 January
3B	Thursday 5 February
2CH	Thursday 12 February
2K	Thursday 26 February
1WM	Thursday 5 March
1F	Thursday 12 March
RT	Thursday 19 March
RP	Thursday 26 March
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Christmas Assemblies

Years 3,4 & 5	Wednesday 10 December 9am
Years 3,4 & 5	Thursday 11 December 9am
Years 1 & 2	Friday 12 December 9am
Years 1 & 2	Monday 15 December 2pm
Reception	Tuesday 16 December 9am
Year 6 Carol Concert at St. Giles Church	Wednesday 17 December 9.30am



Pirate Day Menu

[Census]

Thursday 2nd October 2025



(v) 'Walk The Plank' Cheese & Tomato
Pizza Wedge with 'Golden Doubloon'
Potatoes (G.D)

or

(v) 'Macaroni's' Treasure with 'Captain's
Crumb' Crusty Bread (G.D)

both served with 'Peg Leg' Peas
or 'Booty Bowl' Salad

(vg) 'Jolly Roger' Jelly

or

(v) Pirate Anzac Biscuit (chewy cookie)(G)

Ahoy, me
Hearties



Allergen Free alternatives
are also available

Allergen Key
VG-Vegan,
V-Vegetarian,
G-Gluten/Wheat
D-Dairy.



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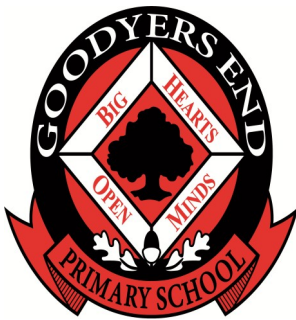
Poverty Proofing

It is estimated that 31% of children in the UK are living in poverty, according to Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG). With the increased cost of living and financial challenges families in our community may face, we are committed to ensuring that every child at Goodyers End Primary School has equal access to the opportunities we offer, regardless of their financial position. For more information on how we aim to make school accessible for all, please follow this link: <https://www.goodyersend.warwickshire.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=523&type=pdf>

Attendance

We have had a great start to the term with most of our pupils attending on time every day. We understand that there are times when children need to stay home due to illness and ask that you contact us as soon as possible to let us know of any absences. Medical advice indicates that children with mild illnesses, such as a cough or a cold without a temperature, can often attend school. The NHS offers a useful resource, 'Is my child too ill for school?', which can assist parents in making informed decisions regarding illnesses: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

We also must remind you that we are unable to authorise holidays in term time. Please see the attached document from Warwickshire Attendance Service regarding penalty notices.



PRE-LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

We have a large selection of 2nd hand uniform available to purchase at a very low cost directly from school. Items can be requested via the school office as required and/or at one of our specific 2nd hand uniform sale days. Uniform sale days are usually held during school holidays and dates published when set.

We appreciate donations — from uniform, shoes, wellies, (for forest school) coats. Thank you in advance.



LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 2017). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent [ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.](#)

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.

Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).

First Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.

Second Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice):
The amount of £160 paid within 28 days. No reduced amount.

Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted.

Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.

Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notices will be not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.