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Goodyers End Primary School - Issue 4

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POLITE REMINDER

Please **do not park on the school site** at any time when dropping off or collecting children, including for:

- LM Playcare
- After-school clubs
- Late arrivals
- Early collections

This request is in place for the safety of all pupils, staff, and visitors. There have been several near misses involving children and vehicles, as well as previous accidents on the site.

The school site is not a parking area for parents, and we ask all families to respect this rule. The safety of our children must remain our highest priority.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us keep everyone safe.

Ms Hall
Headteacher

Attendance and Punctuality

We would really appreciate your continued support in helping all pupils achieve excellent attendance and arrive at school on time and ready to learn.
Please remember our school start times and finish times

- **Reception, Years 1 & 2: 8.45am—3.15pm**
- **Years 3, 4, 5 & 6: 8.50am—3.20pm**

Please see **Page 4** for our Attendance and Punctuality leaflet. Our **FREE Breakfast Club** is available from **8.15am doors close 8.30am,** providing children with breakfast and a positive start to their school day.

Please if you have any appointments booked send a copy of the hospital letter, appointment texts to the school office email : admin2634@welearn365.com This is for attendance purposes for the register.

Christmas Concerts

Emails were sent to parents/carers on **19.11.2026** with Information regarding tickets for the **Reception, Year 1 & 2** and **Year 3, 4 & 5 Christmas Concerts**.

Further information, including ticket booking details, can be found on TicketSource website please copy and paste below:

https://www.ticketsource.com/whats-on?q=Goodyers+End+Primary

Thank you for your support. We look forward to welcoming you to our Christmas performances.



Year 3,4 & 5 Christmas Concert 9.00am	9 Dec
Year 3,4 & 5 Christmas Concert 9.00am	10 Dec
Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert 9.00am	11 Dec
Years 1 & 2 Christmas Concert 2.00pm	14 Dec
Year 6 Carol Service @ St Giles Church 9.30am	15 Dec
Reception Christmas Concert 9.00am	16 Dec
Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day	16 Dec
Last day of Term	18 Dec
Teacher Training Day (school closed to pupils)	4 Jan
Back to School	5 Jan

We are 70!

GOODYERS END PRIMARY SCHOOL
BIG HEARTS OPEN MINDS

Do you have any memories of Goodyers End Primary School?

Were you a member of staff or a pupil?



Please share your memories and photographs with us.

We are looking for memories, photographs, and people who would be happy to share their experiences of school with groups of children, particularly from the early days of school in the 1950s.

Please contact school if you can help.

admin2634@welearn365.com | (024) 7636 4448





Moving forward on your child's birthday they can wear non school uniform for the day. If their birthday lands on a weekend they can wear the non school uniform on the Monday.

Any birthdays that fall during the holidays, pupils can come one day in the last week of term in non uniform.

Attendance Matters

Attendance during one school year	Equals approximate days absence	Which is approximately weeks absence	Which is approximately lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	40 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	80 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	120 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	160 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	230 lessons
65%	67 days	13.5 weeks	270 lessons

Punctuality Matters

Minutes per day during the school year		Approximate number of days teaching lost in a year
5 mins	=	3 days
10 mins	=	6 days
15 mins	=	9 days
20 mins	=	12 days
30 mins	=	18 days

Attendance and Punctuality at Goodyers End Primary School

At Goodyers End Primary School we are committed to ensuring that your child receives the best possible education and support which can only be achieved through regular attendance.

Expectations

As parents/carers, you have a legal duty to ensure that your child attends school regularly. The Department for Education (DfE) provides clear guidance for parents regarding attendance expectations. DfE Attendance Overview. Regular absences can negatively impact your child's education.

Why Regular Attendance Matters

Consistent school attendance allows your child to:

- Fully engage in learning and make academic progress.
- Develop social skills by interacting with their peers and teachers.
- Grow in confidence within a supportive and nurturing school environment.
- Build a sense of routine and responsibility, essential for future success.

DfE Advice: Everything You Need To Know About School Attendance

Persistent and Severe Absence

The DfE states 'A pupil enrolment is identified as persistently absent if they miss 10% or more of their possible sessions, and severely absent if they miss 50% or more of their possible sessions'.

Persistent Absence: 90% / 19 days missed across the year.
Severe Absence: 50% / 95 days missed across the year.

Where attendance approaches/reaches these figures, the school has a duty to work with parents to improve their child's attendance. Working together is the best way to improve outcomes for pupils.

Managing Minor Illnesses

We know that sometimes pupils cannot come to school because they are unwell. Medical evidence is clear however that children with mild illness will often be well enough to attend.

Children can attend school with minor illnesses, such as coughs or colds, if they are well in themselves.

NHS guidance about a temperature can be found here: High Temperature (Fever)

The NHS guidance – Is My Child Too Ill For School? is designed to support parents/carers in their decision making about mild illness.

Medication prescribed by a doctor can be administered in school if a form is completed at the office.

Planned Leave of Absence

We understand that there may occasionally be exceptional circumstances where time out of school is required. For any planned absences, please complete a form at the school office for the Headteacher to review.

According to the Department for Education (DfE), term-time holidays are not permitted. All unauthorised holidays will be referred into the Warwickshire Attendance Service (WAS) for consideration of a penalty notice.

Potential Penalty Notices

If the national threshold of 10 unauthorised absences in a 10-week period is met, the school has a duty to notify the Warwickshire Attendance Service (WAS) and you may face a penalty notice or legal action.

A penalty notice is issued to each parent for each child. A fixed penalty notice of £80 may be issued if paid within 21 days, increasing to £160 if paid within 28 days. If you get a second fine in 3 years it will be £160. If your child has 3 or more unauthorised holidays within 3 years, you may be taken to court.

This is in-line with DfE guidance and is intended to deter any unnecessary absences. Warwickshire's guidance can be found here: Warwickshire Attendance Service Guidance

Appointments

We kindly ask that all appointments, such as dentist or optician appointments, are scheduled outside of school hours. Booking these in advance allows more flexibility for selecting a suitable time that does not impact your child's learning.

Passport/Visa Renewal

We understand that visa and passport renewals are necessary and that managing these can be time consuming. We kindly ask that you schedule these appointments outside of school hours wherever possible. Taking time out of school can disrupt your child's learning and progress.

Plan ahead – check the expiration date and plan renewals during school holidays/weekends. If you anticipate any visa or passport renewal appointments in school time, please inform the school office.

Reporting an absence

Via the MCAS App (set up link sent from school office)
Phone: 02476 364448
Email: admin2634@we-learn.com

Punctuality

Attending school on time is crucial for pupil's learning and wellbeing. Pupils who regularly arrive late will often experience gaps in their understanding and can feel unsettled for the rest of the day.

School Timings

The school gates open at 8:35 to allow plenty of time for pupils to get to their classes when the doors open at 8:40. Registration is at 8:45 for Reception and Key Stage 1 and 8:50 for Key Stage 2. Arrivals after this time will be classed as late (L). Arrivals more than 30 minutes after this time are marked as an unauthorised absence for the morning (U) and will affect your child's attendance.

Punctuality Tips:

- A predictable and consistent bedtime routine without screen time allows for a better sleep and less tiredness in the morning.
- Set alarms early enough to allow plenty of time to get ready without any pressure or morning stress.
- Utilise the school's free breakfast club starting at 8:15 every morning to save time preparing/eating breakfast at home.
- If it's not working, change it. Setting your alarm 15 minutes earlier or adjusting the morning routine can make a huge difference.

Seek advice and support from our Family Support Worker, Miss Hughes, if you are experiencing difficulties with any of the above.

Our Team

We have a dedicated team of staff who are there to support pupils and families with attendance.

Miss Murray – School Office
Miss Hughes – Family Support Worker
Mrs Hill –Assistant Headteacher/Attendance Lead
Miss Foster – Deputy Headteacher
Mrs Gray – Assistant Headteacher/SENDCo



We also work with external professionals such as the Early Support Team, Mental Health in Schools Team (MHST), Warwickshire Attendance Service and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

Ice Skating Rink

Bedworth Covered Market

Event Schedule Friday 27th November to Saturday 5th December 2026

£2 per person 30 minute skate

Friday **November 27th**
Ice Skating Rink opens!
Ribbon cutting at 10:00
Lord Hop Micropub
Skating from 10:45
Last skate at 19:15



Saturday **November 28th**
Apres Ski Night Open until 22:00!
Lord Hop Micropub
Skating from 10:45
Last skate at 21:15



Sunday **November 29th**
Teenage Market 10:00 - 15:00
Rooted in Nuneaton & Bedworth
Skating from 11:00
Last skate at 15:15



Monday **November 30th**
SEND Sessions
No lights. No music.
Pre-bookable only

Tuesday **December 1st**
Skating from 10:00
Last skate 17:15

Wednesday **December 2nd**
Skating from 10:00
Last skate 17:15



Thursday **December 3rd**
Indie Market 11:00 - 19:00
Skating from 10:00
Last skate 19:15



Friday **December 4th**
Lord Hop Micropub
Skating from 10:00
Last skate at 19:15

Saturday **December 5th**
Lord Hop Micropub
Skating from 10:00
Last skate at 19:15



Christmas Music Throughout

Licensed Cafe Beau Beau Alcahol, available at certain times

Town Advent Window Painting Finale at the Covered Market

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ALL COMMUNITIES MATTER

PRESENTS

Bedworth's Winter Wonderland INDIE Market

Bedworth Town Centre

Covered Market with ICE RINK

Thursday 3rd December

11 am to 7 pm

Totally Locally

STALLS
Independent local business
Food Stalls
Arts & Crafts
Hobbyists
Charities

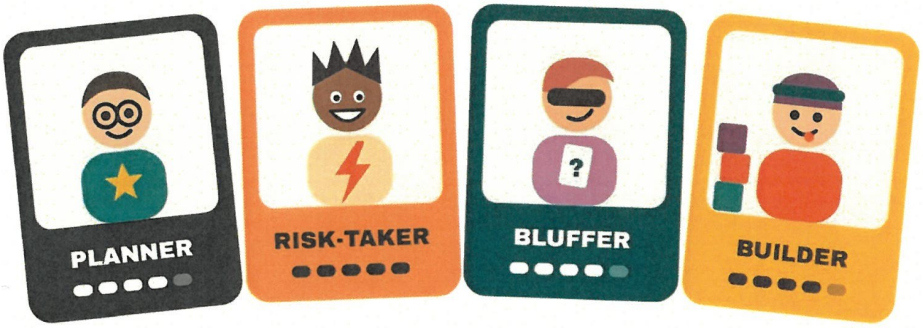
Bedworth Board Games Club

First session: Wed 11 November

Your move!

Which player are you?

Plan it, risk it, bluff it or build it.



A new weekly games club, starting with Years 5 and 6

Brothers, sisters, parents and carers are welcome to play too. No experience needed.

Every Wednesday, 4pm to 6pm

Doors open 3:15pm, so come straight from school

Where Bedworth Heath Community Centre, 181 Smorrall Lane, CV12 0JP

Cost £2 per child, £5 maximum per family, paid on the door

02476 362512 · info@boardgamesclub.org.uk

Supported by Warwickshire County Council, Cllr Stan Carvell, Cllr Neil Garland and Cllr Chris Morris

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GOODYERS END PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOLIDAY PATTERN 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026/27

School Opens	Wednesday 2 September *(Tuesday 1 September – school closed for staff training)*
Half Term	Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October inclusive
INSET DAYS	Monday 2 November & Tuesday 3 November - school closed for staff training
School Re-opens	Wednesday 4 November
School Closes	Friday 18 December

Spring Term 2026/27

School Opens	Tuesday 5 January *(Monday 4 January – school closed for staff training)*
Half Term	Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February inclusive
School Re-opens	Monday 22 February
School Closes	Thursday 25 March
Good Friday Bank Holiday	Friday 26 March *(school closed for Bank Holiday)*



Summer Term 2026/27

School Opens	Monday 12 April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May *(school closed for Bank Holiday)*
INSET DAY	Thursday 6 May – *school closed for staff training/polling day*
Half Term	Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June inclusive
School Re-opens	Monday 7 June
School Closes	Wednesday 21 July

Please note that training days may be different at local schools.
REMINDER: Please ensure you arrange family holidays during school holiday periods as term time leave of absence will not be granted unless in exceptional circumstances.