



Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School

Love and Justice for All

8th September 2023

Dear Parent,

Where do six weeks go?!

I hope you have all had a wonderfully relaxing holiday and are ready to start the new academic year with a bang! It has been lovely to hear about the children's adventures over the summer and observe the positivity and enthusiasm that oozes from them as I have popped into each class over the week! We're going to have a fantastic year!



During our **INSET Day** on Monday, all stakeholders discussed and agreed on our **Key Priorities for 2023 – 2024:**

Key Priority 1:

- To further refine and enhance writing throughout the whole school. (With a focus on spelling, handwriting and presentation.)

Key Priority 2:

- Begin to prepare for the Statutory Inspection for Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS).

Key Priority 3:

- To continue to prepare for pending Ofsted inspection.

Key Priority 4:

- To further strengthen the SLT structure.

I am going to **Kingswood** with **Year 4** on their **residential: Wednesday - Friday**. Please speak to **Mrs. Cawley** or **Mr. May** if you need anything in my absence.

Although I shared **2024-2025 agreed holiday dates** with you last term, CWaC are currently in discussions with regards to altering them! I'll let you know as soon as anything has been agreed.

A few polite reminders:

- The amount of unclaimed uniform that was left over at the end of last year was frightening! **Please ensure your child/children's name is clearly labelled in their school uniform.**
- Please be **'Nut Aware'** and be mindful when packing lunch boxes as there are a number of children in our school family who have severe allergies.
- Please continue to **park in the village car park** and not on Arrowcroft Road (20mph) as we must **keep our children safe**. Ensure you keep within the speed limit and that you keep driveways free so that residents can leave and enter their properties.
- **A new Home/School Agreement** is attached in School Spider and we would appreciate you spending the time to read it through and agree to it as a family.
- Please continue to refresh/update the School Spider App in your App Store so that it runs as efficiently as possible.

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- KS2 meals will cost **£2.68** and can be ordered as usual via School Spider before 8am each day. We are fully aware that the current financial climate has impacted families. If you have any concerns regarding payments, please pop in or call to speak to me in confidence.
- **Absence requests** will be authorised only if the circumstances are deemed **exceptional**.
- The **safety** of our children is of the utmost importance – please ensure you phone, email or send a School Spider message to **Mrs. Lloyd or Mrs. Taylor** in the office to **report an absence** and/or changes to **pick up arrangements**.

Attendance continues to be a high priority. Moving forward, we will keep you informed every half term if your child's absence falls below 95%. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read the attached letter.



Why not follow us on Facebook to see what Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School get up to on a typical school day?

Please click on the link to visit [St John's Church website](#).

Please click on the link below to see if you are eligible for **Free School Meals/Pupil Premium funding**:

- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (Part VI of the immigration and Asylum Act 1999)**
- **The Guarantee element of the State Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit – as long as not claiming Working Tax Credit and annual income does not exceed £16,190**

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

Please click on the link below to see if you are eligible for **Service Pupil Premium funding**:

- **one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces (including pupils with a parent who is on full commitment as part of the full-time reserve service)**
- **they have been registered as a 'Service child' on a school census in the past six years, see note on the DfE's ever 6 Service child measure**
- **one of their parents died whilst serving in the armed forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme**
- **one of their parents is in the armed forces of another nation and is stationed in England**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-service-pupil-premium/service-pupil-premium-what-you-need-to-know>

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Save the Date:		
Thursday 21st September 9:10am	Year 6 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Friday 22nd September 5 – 7pm	Welcome BBQ. Please see School Spider message!	
Thursday 28th September 9:10am	Year 5 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Thursday 28th September 6:00pm – 7:30pm	Whole School Reading and Maths Information Evening for parents.	
Monday 2nd October	Individual photographs	
Friday 6th October After drop off – 9:30am Pre-loved uniform sale – please bring cash!	Call in Friday. Please enter through the main reception area and into the school hall. Emotional Literacy Support (ELSA) Parent Workshop (9:30am – 10:00am) – more information to follow.	
Thursday 10th October	RAGS 2 RICHES COLLECTION!	
Thursday 12th October 9:10am	Year 4 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Friday 13th October	Harvest Festival - please bring donations into school	
Sunday 15th October	Messy Church	
Monday 16th – Friday 20th October	HEALTH WEEK!	

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Monday 16 th October Wednesday 18 th October	Parents' Evening	
Thursday 19 th October 9:10am	Year 3 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Friday 20 th October	MacMillan Coffee Morning End of Term	
Monday 30 th October	Children return to school	
Wednesday 1 st November After drop off – 9:30am	Call in Wednesday. Please enter through the main reception area and into the school hall.	
Thursday 2 nd November 9:10am	Year 2 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Thursday 9 th November 9:10am	Year 1 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received. SCHOOL DISCO – TBC	 
Thursday 16 th November 9:10am	Reception class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Friday 17 th November	Children In Need	
Thursday 30 th November 9:10am	Year 6 class prayers – Please join us in the hall for Collective Worship with Heather Carty. If you would like to bring along any donations for the Foodbank, they will be greatly received.	
Tuesday 5 th December – 2:00pm	KS1 Performance for Reception families.	
Wednesday 6 th December – 2:00pm	KS1 Performance for Year 1 for families.	

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Thursday 7 th December – 2:00pm	KS1 Performance for Year 2 families.	
Friday 8 th December	Christmas FUN DAY!	
Monday 11 th December 2:30pm	KS2 Carol Concert!	
Tuesday 12 th December 1:00pm	KS2 Christmas Party!	
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Dinner! KS1 Christmas Party!	
Friday 15 th December	PANTO! (Oh yes it is!) Christmas Jumper Day Break up for Christmas	
Wednesday 3 rd January 2024	Return to school	

Have a wonderful weekend!

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