



# THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

## Keeping you up to date

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### Summer Term Week 10

It may be the penultimate week of this academic year but there is no slowing down here at The Griffin! Children in Nursery have been looking at things that sink and float in 'Understanding of the World'. The children have also been recapping this term's maths. Mr Pouton has published a list of activities the children will be taking part in next week on ClassDojo, as they are having an activity week in Nursery to end a fabulous year.

In Reception, children have been learning new tricky words in their phonics, looking after their new plants and the children planned the provision for next week! On Friday afternoon, I walked into the room to find all of the children having a cooling foot spa experience – I was very tempted to join in, I must say!

Year 1 children have been learning about direction in maths, with quarter and half turns and left and right. They have also been furthering their knowledge about omnivores, herbivores and carnivores and re-telling the story of 'The Sea Saw' by drawing maps.

Yet again, we have been impressed by the resilience your children have shown during this 3<sup>rd</sup> heatwave – they have not been going outside for playtimes to be able to run off steam, but they have just 'got on with it' and coped with the heat really well. Please keep safe and cool this weekend, ready for our last week of the year next week!

### Reception Bikeability - Next Week

We are really looking forward to these sessions, which some of our Reception children are taking part in across next week. If your child is participating, they will need to wear trainers. The balance bikes and helmets are provided for them.

### Outstanding Debts

Please ensure that all debts on ParentPay or any Tapestry Invoices (Nursery parents only) are paid by 18<sup>th</sup> July. If you pay by tax-free childcare vouchers please send an email to let the office know the amount you have paid, as we may not get notification before the end of term. If they are not paid, it means that you will not be able to book any wraparound for your child in September.

### Annual Reports

You should all have received your child's end of year report today. Teachers will be available at the end of the day on Monday, if you have any questions about them. If you have any queries about the attendance information, please speak to Mrs Isaac's in the office. We really appreciate any feedback and so have put a feedback form in with the report, for you to complete and return. Thank you.

### Last Day Arrangements

**Dress Down Day** – children can wear non-uniform on the last day.

**Second Hand Uniform** – please bring this when you drop off your children in the morning. There will be a sale at the family picnic and end of the day.

**Nursery Assembly** – 9.15am start. Nursery parents / families can come in from 8.50am.

**Reception Graduation** – 11.15am Reception parents / families can come in from 11am.

***Please come to the doors at the end of the hall where there will be a signing in sheet for you to sign.***

**Family Picnic** – All parents/families welcome. Please arrive at 12pm. We will be locking the gate at 12.15pm. Please bring a picnic rug, food and drink for yourselves (no alcohol) and for your children if you wish, but they will have a packed lunch provided.

**NO NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS ALLOWED.**

If it is raining we will have an indoor picnic.

If you wish to take your child home early (from 1.30pm) you are welcome to. There will be a member of your child's year group team near the gate with a clipboard to sign out your child. Please make sure they have all of their belongings.

'Happy, Kind and Confident'

## Star of the Week Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our stars of the week:

**Nursery** – Maria- For having an excellent year and being fabulous in everything she does.

**Reception** – Alfie for being such a fabulous friend to others and always doing his best.

**Year 1** – Bella – for shining brightly and always displaying our school values.

## House Points

The winning house this week is  .

Well done to everyone in Topaz House for earning the most Dojo points.

This means that we have a draw for this term with Ruby and Topaz both getting 3 gems – they will have an extra playtime next week.

## School Coat – How to Order

We have had our school coat available for you to view in the entrance to the school – we hope you have had a chance to look at it. We are now ready to go live and our school's 'My Clothing' web page is working. You can view it at the following link:

<https://myclothing.com/collections/the-griffin-primary-school-29642>

There is a £3.95 delivery charge for orders under £50, so I suggest that you chat with a few friends and place a joint order of 4 coats to avoid postage charges.

## Singing Club

What a treat we had on Wednesday when our wonderful singing club performed several pieces, including Hakuna Matata from The Lion King. It was superb and it was clear that the children all loved to sing! Thank you to Emma from True Music for leading the children in this club – we wish her the best of luck on the birth of her first child and have enjoyed getting to know the new teacher, Miss Gyles, this half term. Thank you also to the parents who joined us for this

~~The register collects~~

## Clubs for September

Further information will be in next week's newsletter about our additional clubs offer for next academic year.



## Forthcoming Dates for the Diary

**14-17/07 – Reception Class Bikeability**

**18/07 – LAST DAY**

**Nursery Leavers' Assembly (9.15am)**

**Reception Graduation Ceremony (11.15am)**

**Family Picnic (11.55am)**

**Parents welcome to all the activities on the last day of term.**

**NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR**

**01 & 02/09 Teacher Training Days**

**03/09 SCHOOL STARTS FOR ALL CHILDREN AT 8.45am**

## News from the FROGS

18<sup>th</sup> July - Second Hand Uniform Sale



9<sup>th</sup> August – we will be running a tombola at the Family Fun Day event which is being run by TT Country events.

A massive "THANK YOU" to this amazing team who organise many great events for your children in order to raise money for the school. We really do appreciate your time and support.

If anyone wishes to join the FROGS let us know!

## Warwickshire Families urged to sign the Disability Register to shape local support

Families with children and young people who have special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) are encouraged to join the county's disability register. The register collects information about children and young people aged 0 to 25 who have a disability, additional need, or a health condition that impacts their daily life. The information collected plays a crucial role in helping the council understand the specific needs and additional support required by people who use its services.

A short, easy-to-understand video is available to explain the benefits of joining the register:

<https://youtu.be/GbqErub39KE>

Registration is quick and easy, and families can update their information at any time.

The council assures that all data is confidential and used solely for service improvement.

To learn more or to register, visit [Disability Register – Warwickshire County Council](#)