



# THE GRIFFIN GAZETTE

## Keeping you up to date

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### Summer Term Week 11

The Summer Holiday is here and it has been such a wonderful final week of the year with your children. Nursery children have enjoyed their enrichment week with water play, bring your own toy and biscuit decorating. Reception children have loved taking part in Bikeability's balance bike sessions and Year 1 children have enjoyed designing and making sandwiches as part of their DT project.

Of course, the highlights of the week were Nursery's fabulous, and quite emotional, end of year assembly and Receptions graduation as they complete the Early Years and move into Key Stage 1. The children performed with such confidence and deserve all of the applause and cheers that they received. This year seems to have flown and the changes in our youngest children since September have been phenomenal.

Thank you for coming to celebrate these milestones with us. We wish all of the children and families who are moving onto new schools for their Reception year the very best of luck – it has been such an honour and privilege to be a part of your children's early education and although you may be leaving The Griffin, The Griffin and all that it stands for will never leave your children. They will always be a part of our journey.

Have a really great Summer holiday everyone – stay safe, enjoy being together and remember that the Autumn Term starts on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 8.45am.

### Thank You

On behalf of all the staff, may I say a huge 'Thank You' for all of the gifts and cards. We really are very grateful for your signs of appreciation.

### Goodbye and Good Luck

Another massive 'Thank You' to Mrs Cation, who is leaving us today. We have really enjoyed working with her over the past year and thank her for her hard work in Year 1 and as Maths Lead. We wish her the best of luck in her new job.

### Star of the Week and Ambassador Badges

If you have either of the above at home could you please return them to school in September. If your child is moving to a different school for Reception, then we would really appreciate you popping them into the office when convenient, to save us buying more.

### Family Picnic

We are so glad you could join us. Thank you to Alex our school cook who works so hard and always has a smile on her face. We were glad the rain stayed away – if only the wasps had too, but unfortunately, both of those are beyond our control!

### School Coat – How to Order

If you wish to order a school winter coat, please visit the following link:

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

### Clubs for September

As promised in last week's newsletter, here is further information about next term's clubs. You will be able to book these in September via ParentPay and for the Autumn Term, all clubs apart from singing will only be available to Year 1 and Year 2 children. Reception children can join them in the Spring Term. All staff-led clubs cost £3.85 per session and they will start w/b 15/09:

**Monday: Cooking Club** – Miss Byrne (6 children for 3 weeks on a rota) with an additional £1 for ingredients.

**Tuesday: Singing Club** (lunchtime) True Music – pay directly.

**Football Club:** Mr Pouton

**Thursday: Eco-Club** Mrs Hine, Mrs Gough/Mrs Fearn

**Friday: Recorder Club** (lunchtime) – Mrs Hine & Mrs Isaac's

## News from the FROGS

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.



## Forthcoming Dates for the Diary

**NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR**

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

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

## And finally.... a little reminder of our amazing 2<sup>nd</sup> Year

We have.....

- Opened our 2 year old Nursery Provision
- Given our Harvest Festival collection of food to Rugby Foodbank
- Supported 'Hello Yellow' day for MIND, a Mental Health charity
- Had a Halloween Pyjama day
- Planted daffodils, crocuses and 420 trees (420 more on their way for November!)
- Had 2 Book Fairs and 2 Break the Rules Days
- Had our Christmas Workshop
- Won a Christmas Tree and had a few songs around the tree at the end of Autumn term.
- Watched a Pantomime in school and performed in our own Christmas Productions
- Visited the Space Centre, St John's House and Ryton Pools
- Had singing club and recorder club performances
- The FROGS organised our first Christmas Fayre
- Spoke to Father Christmas in the North Pole via TEAMS and then he also came to our Christmas Fayre!
- Had monthly assemblies from Reverend Diane
- Had Year 1 Superhero Day
- Held 4 successful Parents' Evenings
- Welcomed students on work experience
- Celebrated World Book Day and Red Nose Day
- Had a visit from the Easter Bunny and had an Easter Bonnet Parade
- Celebrated the Coronation of King Arthur and Queen Niamh in Year 1
- Recruited some fantastic staff
- Had a visit from the Fire Officers and from Cemex about road safety near big trucks
- Welcomed Warwickshire Road Safety team to Assembly and won our Bronze Award
- Had captivating creatures here for Reception and Nursery
- Held our first Cultural Arts Week and exhibition
- Been super energetic at Sports Day
- and, of course, learned lots and lots in our classes.

ENJOY THE HOLIDAY AND SEE YOU NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR.

