



Goldthorn Park Primary News!



Dear Parents and Carers,

First a big 'welcome back' to all our families. The staff team were very excited to see children back at Goldthorn Park, refreshed, super smart and ready to learn after the long summer break.

This is the third year which we will operate under the cloud of the Covid 19 pandemic but we do begin this school year with more optimism than at any time since March 2020.

The Government has lifted most of the restrictions for schools which means that the 'bubble' system as we know it has come to an end. This should see less disruption to the education of children across the country as it means that if there are positive cases of coronavirus in school we no longer need to close whole class groups.

The importance of this really matters for the children, who should receive an uninterrupted education if the guidance remains the same this Autumn. It also means that pupils will no longer be confined to certain areas of the school and so have more freedom, particularly at playtimes.

We will however, remain cautious around number of visitors on site and we will continue to promote and encourage good hygiene with regular hand washing throughout the day with good classroom ventilation.

You will also appreciate the removal of the one way system but we do require that parents move through entrances and exits swiftly and are encouraging no waiting particularly at the beginning of the school day.

We hope that this will continue to keep pupils, staff and parents safe.
We all look forward to a super successful school year.

As always thank you in anticipation for your support.
Mrs Jo Hemmings *Mrs Rachel Purshouse*
Headteacher Deputy Headteacher

Class PE days

<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tues</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thurs</u>	PE KITS to remain in school please
YR 3	YR 4	YR 5	YR 3	
YR 1	YR 3	YR 1	YR 4	
YR 5 Cricket (6 wks)	YR 2	YR 4	YR 6 AM – Swimming YR 6 PM - PE	



PARENTS – please sign up to our Twitter account and see what learning is happening: [user:@goldthornpark](https://twitter.com/goldthornpark)



Our School Nurse is Mrs Michelle Allen. To contact her call 01902 444165 or call the school office who can make a referral.

Dates for the coming term

Sept 13th - Children begin Nursery

Thurs 21st Oct – Children break up for half term holiday

Fri 22nd Oct - INSET day school closed to children

Mon 1st Nov – Children return to school

Fri 17th Dec - Children break up for the Christmas holiday

Tues 4th Jan 2022 – Children return to school



The beginning and end of school day arrangements.

Beginning:

- School gates open at 8.25am – NURSERY only
- School gates open at 8.35am – YRS 1-6
- Pupils in Years 2-6 are encouraged to walk to their classrooms independently and line up outside their classroom doors. Teachers are on duty at this time and your children are safe.
- Classroom doors open at 8.40am

End:

- School gates open at 3.10am
- EYFS exit from the morning door
- KS1 exit by class from KS1 building
- KS2 exit from their classrooms

Parents/carers waiting, please stand back away from the doors and windows allowing teachers to dismiss pupils quickly and efficiently.

Encompass

Dear Parents/Carer,

Our school works in partnership with West Midlands Police, on a project by the name of Operation Encompass. This project involves the reporting to schools when a child or young person has been exposed or involved in any Domestic Violence incidents.

As you are aware, we aim to give your child the best start to education. This includes ensuring they are confident, happy individuals. We take pride in their on-going positive development. As a school we have a duty to support your child within any sensitive issues that may arise.

A named Police Officer will share information in confidence with the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Purshouse or Designated Deputy Safeguarding Leads, Mrs Hemmings and Miss Clapp. We advocate supporting children and families at Goldthorn Park Primary. Our School will offer you a listening ear, support and advice as a whole family approach. This service will be treated highly confidentially.

We are keen to work in partnership with the Police and feel this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

Signed
Mrs Hemmings
Head Teacher

School Meals:

A reminder that school meals have returned to normal and are charged at the usual rate of £2.30 per day. This includes **universal** free school meals and free school meals. Our new menu is on the school website. Whilst staggered lunchtimes remain, pupils are eating their sandwiches in the hall with their peers and playing outside on their relevant playgrounds.

A Reminder - Uniform:

School uniform is extremely important to us at Goldthorn Park Primary School. Uniform guidelines can be seen on our school website and uniform is available from the Trutex shop in Wolverhampton. All uniform/PE kit should be clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

PE kits are to be in school from now on, labelled and in a PE bag. Please note no football shirts and 'designer' kit – the requirement is white, crew neck t-shirt, green shorts and black plimsolls, **not trainers please**. Outdoor kit is a black tracksuit as we move into autumnal weather.