



LITTLE GONERBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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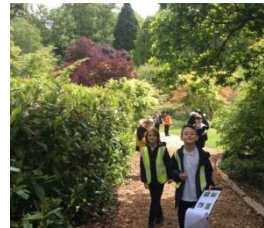
Dear Little Gonerby families,

Cherishing Everyone, Flourishing Together

What a busy and exciting Term 5 it has been at Little Gonerby! It has been wonderful to see the school full of energy, enthusiasm and achievement as we move through the summer months. Our children continue to **flourish** and amaze us each day – thank you for the ongoing support of our families in enabling this to happen.

Please find below some of our highlights of the term.

- Reception places for September 2026 have been offered, and we are delighted to share that we are welcoming 30 children into our Reception class in September.
- Year 2 fire safety workshop.
- Year 5 swimming lessons.
- Tennis taster sessions.
- Mini London Marathon in Schools challenge.
- KS2 Cross-country event.
- Year 4 trip to Burghley House.
- PTA May disco.
- Military Child Day – this was a wonderful afternoon organised by Mrs Gallaher and Wyndham Park Visitor's Centre, which we celebrated with our military families.



Under our well-planned curriculum and wider enrichment, the children are able to 'live life in all its fullness' (John 10:10).



Statutory Assessments

Several of our year groups have statutory assessments taking place next half term, in addition to the other year groups having in-school assessments.

- **EYFS Early Learning Goals:** these assessments take place as part of everyday learning, observations and work in the EYFS classroom. The assessments use everything that we know about the child and are matched against Early Learning Goals.
- **Year 1 Phonics Screening Check:** week commencing 8th June, Year 1 children are assessed on their phonics ability. This will take place with a familiar adult in school.
- **Year 2 Phonics Screening Check:** week commencing 8th June, Year 2 children who did not achieve the required mark in last year's Phonics Screening Check will be re-assessed.
- **Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check:** week commencing 1st June, Year 4 children are assessed on their times tables recall, in a 25-question online test.

We are sure that our children will continue to shine and demonstrate their ability on these assessments. Information has been sent home regarding the Phonics Screening Check and the Multiplication Tables Check; however, please speak to your child's Class Teacher if you would like more information.

Attendance

Our attendance continues to improve this year and it is at its highest in many years – we look forward to continuing our work on improving this further. Please find below the attendance for each class since the start of September:



1st	Willow Class	97%
2nd	Oak Class	96%
	Olive Class	96%
4th	Palm Class	95%
5th	Sycamore Class	94%
6th	Cedar Class	93%

Term 6 Diary dates

Date	Event
1st June	Start of Term 6 – children return.
w/c 1 st June	Year 4 completing statutory Multiplication Tables Check.
3 rd June	Year 3 Squash taster session.
w/c 8 th June	Year 1 completing statutory Phonics Screening Check.
9 th June	Junior Online Safety Officer training begins.
10 th June	Mini Olympics – Year 3 & Young Ambassadors
15 th June	New starters open evening (September 2026 Reception cohort).
17 th June	Sports Day (am) - families invited to watch
18 th June	Year 1 & Year 3 trip to Easton Walled Gardens.
19 th June	Father's Day coffee morning & activities.
25 th June	Small Schools athletics event (KS2 – selected children only).
w/c 29 th June	Children's Art Week.
30 th June	EYFS trip to Great Wood Farm.
2 nd July	Non-uniform for PTA.
3 rd July	Year 1 Class Assembly (9:00am) – Y1 families invited to watch.
w/c 6 th July	Clubs end.
10 th July	Year 2 trip to White Post Farm.
10 th July	Reports home – <i>reports will be emailed this year. Please ensure we have up-to-date email addresses.</i>
16 th July	PTA Summer Fair.
20 th July	Reception – EYFS graduation.
22nd July	End of term – Summer holidays begin.

We would like to wish all of our families a wonderful and restful May half term break. The term ends **today at 3:15pm**. We look forward to welcoming families back into school on **Monday 1st June 2026** from **8:35am**.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Joe Hawkins
Headteacher



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Term Dates 2026 – 27

	FIRST DAY	LAST DAY
TERM 1	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026
TERM 2	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
TERM 3	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
TERM 4	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
TERM 5	Wednesday 14 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027
BANK HOLIDAY	School closed Monday 3 rd May 2027	
TERM 6	Monday 7 th June 2027	Wednesday 21 st July 2027

There will be 4 staff training days during the year, taken outside of term time as follows;

1st & 2nd September, 4th January , 13th April

Plus 1 further day which will be taken as two twilight sessions.

Key dates for 2026-27

Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments (SATs): **Monday 10th May 2027 – Thursday 13th May 2027**

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check: **week commencing Monday 7th June 2027**

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check: **week commencing Monday 14th June 2027**