



LITTLE GONERBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

PROUD MEMBER OF



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Dear families,

We are now at the end of Term 5, meaning we are fast approaching the final half term of the school year and the summer holidays! We have been living our school motto of '*Cherishing everyone, Flourishing together*' in heaps this school year as the children continue to make great progress and flourish under the support of their families and the staff who work with them. We are grateful to our families for the ongoing support that you give. Thank you.

Attendance

We are pleased with our attendance over the last few terms, particularly for this term. A huge thank you goes to all of our families for helping to instil with the children the importance of coming to school every day. Attendance couldn't improve without the support of our families, so we are continuing to work with those families where attendance is lower than 95% and celebrate excellent attendance as a school.



You will be aware that we have carried out some late audits over the last two terms, and we are pleased that overall this has had a positive impact on children arriving at school on time. Our classroom doors open at 8:35am and close at 8:45am (the gate now locks automatically at this time too to ensure we are safeguarding our children).

Attendance class leaderboard since September 2024:

1 st	Palm Class	95%
2 nd	Willow Class	94%
2 nd	Oak Class	94%
4 th	Cedar Class	93.4%
5 th	Olive Class	93.3%

Highlights of the term

Although the term has been short, there have been many exciting events happening in and out of school! These events are planned to enrich our curriculum offer for the children. Some of the exciting things that we have been up to include:

- Wheelchair sessions with Inspire+ (Years 1 – 4).
- Mental Health Support Team workshop.
- Road Safety Walks (Year 2 & Year 4).
- Tennis wheelchair session with Grantham Tennis Club (Year 3).
- Professional photographer – keep an eye out for some new photographs appearing!
- Mental Health Awareness Week.
- Hello Yellow to raise funds for Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance.
- Winning Lincolnshire Cricket's 'school of the term'!



We also had an external audit into our Special Educational Needs (SEN) offer, led by the Deputy Director of a local SEND Hub and another SENCO, working with Miss Parker (our school SENCO). We are pleased that the auditors recognised the hard work that our staff do every day to support our children, and the excellent relationships our staff & children have. We have some fantastic practice in school to support all of the children, and those who have additional needs, which was identified in the audit. The auditors also got to speak to some of the children who were wonderful and a credit to us all.

Transition

This time of year is where we look towards finalising next year's classes. As we will have a Year 5 class next year as part of the school's planned growth, we have recruited an additional teacher to join our fantastic teaching team. We are currently deciding on which year groups all of the teachers will be teaching next year – we will be in a position to share this early next half term.

We are also currently looking at what our transition plan will look like next half term to ensure that all of the children get to know their new class teacher, spend time in their new classes, and hopefully look forward to the next academic year! We will also be offering additional transition support for children who may need this. Details will be shared early next term.



Warm weather

We have been pleased with the amount of children who have been wearing sun hats and who have sunscreen on during the warmer periods that we have had. As we edge ever closer to the summer holidays, the temperature will continue to rise so please can we ask that children come to school with hats, a refillable water bottle and sun cream applied where possible.

Diary dates

For your convenience, please find a reminder of some of the diary dates for next term. Any changes will be communicated as timely as possible, and reminders/more information will be shared closer to the time:

2 nd June	Inset day (Staff only).
3rd June	Start of Term 6 – children return.
w/c 2 nd June	Year 4 completing statutory Multiplication Check.
5 th June	Year 1 & Year 3 trip to Easton Walled Gardens.
w/c 9 th June	Year 1 completing statutory Phonics Screening Check.
11 th June	Year 3 Mini Olympics.
13 th June	Father's Day event.
16 th June	New starters open evening (September 2025 Reception cohort).
25 th June	Year 2 Fire safety workshop.
27 th June	Sports Day.
4 th July	Year 2 trip to Belton House.
10 th July	Summer Fair – PTA.
11 th July	Reports home.
16 th July	End of year disco.
21 st July	EYFS graduation.
22nd July	End of term – Summer holidays begin.

The term dates for the next academic year are also attached for your information.

We look forward to welcoming our families back into school on **Tuesday 3rd June** from **8:35am** for the final half term of the year!

With the very best of wishes,
Mr Hawkins and the Little Gonerby team