

Newsletter



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Where everybody wants to be: everybody is welcome and enjoys success!

A message from the Head:

Well, we have come to the end of another very busy school year and my first full year as the Headteacher at Graiseley. It has been a privilege to work with so many remarkable children, supportive and friendly parents and hard-working staff. We have made many positive changes in school: implementing new reading, writing and maths curriculums, improving pastoral care and SEND provision. Next year we will continue to build on these changes and make further improvements to other aspects of the curriculum and school life.

Always be assured that we want the very best for the children and families that are a part of the Graiseley community and in working together we really can ensure that Graiseley is a place where everybody wants to be, everybody is welcome and enjoys success!

I sincerely look forward to working with everyone next year and welcoming new children into our school family...but first I have to bid a fond farewell to our Y6 cohort—I wish each and everyone of you all the very best in your new schools: go and be the very best you can be!

Best wishes, Mrs Humphries

Dates for the Diary

03.02.09.24 - NSET School Closed to Pupils

03.09.24 - INSET School Closed to Pupils

04.09.24 - School Reopens for Pupils for the Autumn Term 8:45am (new start time for all pupils)

10.09.24 - Y1-Y6 Meet the Teacher sessions

26.09.24 - School Photos

30.09.24 - Kindness Challenge Week - NSPCC

02.10.24 - Flu Vaccinations in School

09.10.24 - Parents Evening

25.10.24 - Black History Day

28.10.24 - 01.11.24 - Half Term

Events from Summer 2



Y5 Farm Visit



Olympic Torch Relay

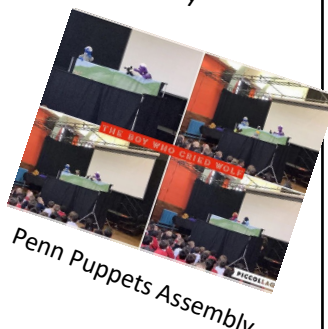


Refugee Day

Y4 Mandir Visit



Y2 Gurdwara Visit



Penn Puppets Assembly

From September 2024 the school day will start at 8:45am— including Nursery. Gates will still be open from 8:40am



Attendance - Get into Good Habits Now!

Attendance is and will continue to be a priority for us here at Graiseley. The government are changing some of the rules...they are getting tougher. Please help give your child the best chance you can—help them get to school every day!

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

FIRST OFFENCE

1

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

2

SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024.**

3

THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates; fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education'.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Please follow the link for the Publication that will start from 19th August 2024.
www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance



Join your library's Summer Reading Challenge

For over 25 years, the Summer Reading Challenge - organised by The Reading Agency in partnership with public libraries across the UK - has successfully encouraged children to read for pleasure during the summer holidays.

Taking place from July to September, it invites children aged 4 to 11 to read six or more books of their choice over this time (with the aim of approximately one a week). This could involve completing a series they enjoy or exploring a variety of genres and formats, including novels, non-fiction, poetry, picture books, graphic novels, old favourites and new discoveries.

Each year, the challenge has a different theme. This year's is 'Marvellous Makers', which seeks to inspire children's inner storytellers, motivating them to be curious and to tell their own stories through various creative outlets.

Children who participate receive a special collector's folder to track their progress and earn rewards like stickers and certificates as they go. If they complete the challenge by reading at least six books, they also stand a chance to win even bigger prizes. Libraries often hold a range of related events and activities to enhance the experience and further engage children and families in the joy of reading.

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Internet Safety Tips

We all spend too much time online, especially children, it is important to be vigilant about what your child is doing online - talk to them frequently and be present when they are using technology. Too many children are accessing games, videos and apps that are inappropriate. Here a few tips to think about to help keep your child safe online:

- Once you post or share something online, you lose complete control. Encourage your children to think carefully about what they share, who they share it with and the appropriateness of what they share. Someone somewhere will have seen.
- Online harm doesn't always come from people children don't know - it can come from people children know, including their friends. Encourage children to talk to you if they experience anything which makes them feel uncomfortable, worried or scared.



In school we have filtering and monitoring systems that help to keep children safe (as well as visually monitoring them when using technology in the classroom). Please make sure they are safe on devices they use at home too.

School of Sanctuary

Graiseley Primary School is working towards the School of Sanctuary Award.

What is a School of Sanctuary?

It is a school that is committed to being a safe and welcoming place for all. We help, pupils, staff and our wider community understand what it means to be seeking sanctuary and to extend a welcome to everyone as equal, valued members of the school community.



Wishing everyone a safe and happy Summer break.

water safety tips



Swim in lifeguard-supervised beaches and pools.



Put up barriers around the pool or hot tub.



Always swim with a buddy. Even experienced swimmers can tire or get muscle cramps.



Keep an eye out on children around water. Stay within reach.



Learn proper swimming and safety skills.



Wear a life jacket while boating.

