

**GEORGE FENTHAM ENDOWED SCHOOL  
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July 2022

Term Dates	
<b>SCHOOL TERMS &amp; HOLIDAY DATES</b>	
	<u><b>2022</b></u>
<b>Summer Term</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 - <u><b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022</b></u> - one day's holiday to be taken in place of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday on Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022 (the actual date of Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022 is during the Summer half term holiday)
	<u><b>2022/2023</b></u>
<b>Autumn Term</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 - Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Spring Term</b>	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023 - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 - Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
<b>Summer Term</b>	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 - Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 - Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023 <b>May Bank Holiday:</b> Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September, 4 more Inset Days to be advised in due course.

Dates for Diary
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**2021 / 2022**

Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Chance to Shine Cricket Festival - Berkswell CC
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Chance to Shine Cricket Festival - Berkswell CC
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports out
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Tri-Golf Festival
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> July pm	Nursery 2022 Play & Stay sessions
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Conover Hall Residential
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> July 9.10am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thu 21 <sup>st</sup> July 11.00am	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Church

**2022 / 2023**

Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Reception to Year 6 Flu Immunisation Programme
Thu 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Reception & Year 6 National Childrens Measurement Programme
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Tempest Photography - Individual photographs
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2023	Tempest Photography - Class photographs

Staffing Updates
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This term we are saying farewell to a number of our staff - Mrs Edmeades (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs Morris (Special Educational Needs Coordinator), Mrs Holder (Nursery Teaching Assistant) and Mrs Stevens (KS1 Teaching Assistant and Lunchtime Supervisor). We are extremely sad to

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see each one of them go and would like to thank them for everything they have done at George Fentham. We wish them the very best in the future.

We also send Mrs Barratt our love as she begins her maternity leave at the end of July and look forward to the safe arrival of Baby Barratt over the summer.

**Reminder of Staffing for Academic Year 2022/23:**

<b>Class 2022/23</b>	<b>Teacher(s) 2022/23</b>
Nursery	Mrs Durkin
Reception	Mrs Brown
Year 1	Mrs Salmon (Mon - Tue) and Mrs Mandell (Wed - Fri)
Year 2	Mr Bass
Year 3	Mrs Hodge
Year 4	Mrs Briggs (3 days) New Teacher (2 days)
Year 5	Mrs Bradburn (Mon - Wed) and Mrs Kermode (Thu - Fri)
Year 6	Miss Timothy
Headteacher	Mrs Gaughan
Deputy Headteacher	Mrs Bailey
Special Educational Needs Coordinator	Mrs Brooker
Mentoring and PPA	Mrs Chamberlain
PPA and Cover	Mrs Mallin
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Porter, Mrs Flint, Mrs Bromhall, Mrs Davenport, Mrs Collins, Mrs Kelly, Miss Takhar, Mrs Khan, Mrs Lewis
Lunchtime Supervisors	Mrs Kelly, Mrs Ladwa, Mrs Shabir, Mrs Naz
Kitchen Staff	Mrs James (School Cook), Miss Mason, Mrs Dunkley, Mrs Kwong
Site Manager	Mr Rogers
Office Staff	Mrs Hansford (Secretary) Mrs Justice (Finance Officer)

As you will see above, we look forward to welcoming new staff to school in September. In addition, some of our current staff are extending or changing their roles.

As part of our carefully planned induction and transition programme children have had the opportunity to visit their next classrooms and meet their new teachers ready for September.

**Open Evening**

It was lovely to welcome all of our visitors to school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July for our Open Evening. This was an opportunity to visit your child's classroom, look at their work and books with them, explore next year's classroom and meet the new teacher(s). We had lots of excellent feedback and the children were very proud to share their achievements with you.

**Reports Academic Year 2021-22**

Reports have now been sent out along with assessments and attendance information. Thank you to those parents and carers who have returned the report slip. Please ensure this is completed and sent back to school before the end of term. Thank you.

**Keeping Parents Informed and Updated**

It is really important to us that parents and carers feel well informed and know how well their child is doing. After the restrictions of the last 2 years, we have worked hard to reintroduce a number of ways in which we can do this. Our Curriculum is available on our school website which

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provides a detailed overview of what we are covering in all year groups. Parent Consultation and SEND Review Meetings have worked well this year both in person and online and have enabled you to speak directly with your child's class teacher. Our Class Assemblies this term have enabled each class to share some of their learning journey with you and our half termly news letters have provided lots of information about all the things going on in school. In addition, Open Evening and Reports have provided opportunities to look at work and read about the progress your child has made. For some year groups we have held workshops for parents and carers e.g. Nursery Phonics and Year 2 Inspire: Transition, providing you with information and an opportunity to work with your child in school. We hope to extend these opportunities next year. Thank you to everyone who has been able to attend - the children love to have visitors in school!

**COVID - 19 Update**

*Cases of COVID 19 have been extremely low over the summer term. Thank you to everyone for remaining vigilant and contacting the school office if your child is unwell or has tested positive for COVID. We will continue to keep the situation under review in the autumn term. As always the safety and well-being of our children and staff remains our absolute priority.*

**Class Events**

**Nursery:**

**Teddy Bears' Picnic**

Nursery and Reception children have invited their favourite teddy into school to join us for a picnic on the last day of term. We're hoping for a lovely sunny morning so that we can play games on the playing field with our visiting bears!

**Dance**

Nursery and Reception children have loved having a visiting dance tutor this term. We have learnt to move to music in different ways and to put together a short sequence of movements.

**Gardening**

Nursery children have been enjoying the fruits of their labours in our garden this year. We have harvested and sampled a bumper crop of delicious strawberries and we are thinking about the many ways we could use our potatoes that are just ready to harvest.

**Mrs Durkin**

**Reception:**

The children have had a great time learning all about animals this half term. They started the term off with a trip to Ash End House Farm. They had so much fun singing on the coach, meeting lots of animals and feeding them their lunch before sitting down for their own picnic lunch!



The children performed so well at Sports Day. They got into the spirit of the day and supported their team to do their best in all the races.

For PE, the children have had a dance coach teaching them a dance routine to the music from The Lion King. They have learnt the dance really well and are remembering the moves from week to week.

The children have had a super Reception year. The teachers are going to miss the children very much and wish them lots of luck and happiness for Year One.

**Mrs Brown**

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**Year 1:**

Wow, what a super end to the year it has been! Year 1 have had a wonderful Summer term. They put on an exceptional performance for their class assembly 'Every journey', showcasing the amazing learning journey they have been on since starting in September. We concluded our term with the most wonderful 'Victorian Experience Day'. We had a special visitor who travelled in time to visit us - 'Tommy Top Hat'! The children dressed up as Victorians and all looked fantastic! Tommy Top Hat brought lots of Victorian toys to play with, both indoors and outdoors. The children also had the chance to make their own Victorian toy, as well as a beautiful afternoon tea with 'Victoria Sponge Cake'. It has been an absolute pleasure teaching the children this year and we wish them the best of luck for Year 2. Have a wonderful Summer!



**Mrs Salmon & Mrs Barratt**

**Year 2:**

We've enjoyed our topic on William Shakespeare this half term, focused on "A Midsummer Night's Dream". This has involved researching the author/playwright, exploring the text of the play, understanding the vocabulary/language and lots of performing. As part of our Design & Technology topic, we've been looking at how bread is made - exploring the journey from field to plate. The children have had great fun making their own loaf. We took part in our Tri-Golf Festival (more details below) and have loved learning about Seasides - Past & Present, in Geography.

**INSPIRE Workshop**

The children, and parents, of Class 2 had a wonderful time at their "Message in a Bottle" INSPIRE Workshop. The main focus was on the transition from KS1 to KS2 and the children, with plenty of support from their helpers, produced some beautifully designed bottles and wrote some wonderful scrolls about their feelings on moving to Class 3. We also had an Online Safety focus to our workshop, with children showing their parents/guests the ICT Suite and explaining all about their Online Safety learning whilst finding and printing off images to use on their bottles. These were then passed on to Mrs Hodge, who will then go through them on their first day back in September. A huge thank you to everyone who attended and helped out - a great opportunity for children and parents to collaborate in school.

**Tri-Golf Festival**

Following their Tri-Golf coaching sessions in Summer 1, the children in Year 2 attended a tournament at Tudor Grange Pitch & Putt in Solihull this term. Competing against other local schools the children had great fun using the skills they had learnt to complete in a variety of challenges. They did brilliantly; had great fun and many of them are now keen to learn more!

**Mr Bass**

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**Year 3:**

Year 3 have worked incredibly hard in the final term of the year. We have thoroughly enjoyed our author study unit of work in English, finding out all about Cressida Cowell, author of the "How to Train Your Dragon" series. We wrote some wonderful biographies about her life and work. In Science, we worked collaboratively to dissect some owl pellets which was described as "the best lesson ever!". We were absolutely fascinated to discover an array of animal bones inside them which we were able to identify using our bone classification chart. We are so proud of Year 3's effort with their times tables, we have been working hard on recalling the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables and division facts quickly and all children have made a massive improvement with this. The aim is that they can recall any times table fact within 6 seconds by the end of Year 4. Keep up the fantastic work, don't forget to practice over the holidays too!

Finally, our highlight of the term has to be the wonderful Stone Age to Iron Age workshop delivered by Widget Workshops. The children had a thoroughly enjoyable day immersing themselves into life in pre-historic times and were able to carry out many practical activities such as weaving, wattling and grinding flour in a rotary quern. Many children commented that they much preferred the simplicity of life in these times, although all agreed they wouldn't enjoy the constant threat of being eaten by wild animals!

**Mrs Hodge**

**Year 4:**

**Wider Opportunities Strings Assembly**

Year 4 showcased their amazing musical talents in their class assembly this term. The audience was hushed and attentive, such was the quality of the music and the concentration with which the children played. It has been such a shame that they were not able to perform at the Warwick Arts Centre but with their commitment and musicality, they turned the school hall into the Royal Albert Hall! We were so proud of them. All thanks go to our two visiting music teachers, Miss Gosling and Miss Rottenbury but the limelight was all Year 4's. A huge thank you to the Fentham Trust for funding this initiative.

**Chance to Shine**

Year 4 had a wonderful day at the cricket festival organised by South Solihull Sports Partnership, we fielded two teams in the tournament and each team played a total of six matches. The children used all the skills that they had been learning from our visiting coaches and played their hearts out. No run was missed, no ball left unchased! Their enthusiasm was matched by their sense of fair play and respect. What a credit they are to their families and, of course, to our school community. Very well done Year 4 - your school sports values shone brightly that day!

**Mrs Brooker**

**Science - Think Tank**

Year 4 have been super scientists this year. Our learning has covered electricity, states of matter, classification, digestion and sound. It has been wonderful to see the children engaged with their learning and making links to their prior knowledge. To bring all of this learning together, and now that it is safer for school trips to resume, Year 4 had a special day out at the Think Tank in Birmingham. We had a fantastic day, starting with a chemistry lesson where our chemistry teacher for the session took us through making solids disappear to creating colourful and long lasting explosions. We then took some time to explore the exhibits which were all linked to our curriculum topics this year. The children were super ambassadors for George Fentham.

**Mrs Briggs**

**Year 5**

Year 5 have had a brilliant end to the year; they made everyone proud when they won the School Games Values award at the Chance to Shine cricket competition. This prestigious award is given to the school which has best demonstrated the values of respect, teamwork, passion, self-belief, honesty and determination. All teams played well and our A-team narrowly missed out being

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selected for the school finals at Edgbaston. (They tied for first place but lost out by one wicket!!!!) They have also been busy writing their own quest stories, making moving toys, and sculpting Grendel's hand as part of their descriptive writing.



**Mrs Bradburn and Mrs Kermode**

**Year 6:**

**The 'Fiver' Challenge**

Year 6 have been taking part in the 'Fiver' Challenge. They have brainstormed business ideas, researched costings, carried out market research, bought a range of resources and decided upon their final product, which they made themselves. They sold their products in school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July- selling out! They made a profit of £170.50 which will be donated to a charity of their choice. I am so proud of Year 6! What an amazing achievement! Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 6 children by sending money into school.

**Tag Rugby**

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022, Year 6 went to the Tag Rugby Festival. They were split into two teams - A and B. Team A were awarded points for scoring tries. Team B were awarded points for Sportsmanship. Both teams persevered, playing 3 to 4 matches in the morning and afternoon. During the morning, Team A lost one match, equalised in a second match and won two matches. Team B were awarded a lot of points for their respect, honesty and team work. During the afternoon, Team A were placed in the higher division due to having such a successful morning. They were then playing challenging matches against experienced teams. They didn't end up winning the tournament, but they fought hard and scored many tries. A great effort - well done Year 6!

**Miss Timothy**

**Condover Hall Residential**

**A huge thank you to Mrs Chamberlain, Mrs Hansford and to Mrs Kelly who stepped in at the very last minute enabling this trip to go ahead!**

Year 6 enjoyed a busy few days at Condover Hall from 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July. We had fantastic weather!!! The children enthusiastically took part in a wide range of activities including gladiator wall, raft building, abseiling, archery, aerial trek, initiative games, wide games and a run around quiz. We were very proud of them all, showing great perseverance and determination! Thank you to Mrs Hansford and Mrs Kelly for accompanying us and the Fentham Trust for funding the cost of the coach.

**Mrs Chamberlain**

**Year 6 - Good Luck!**

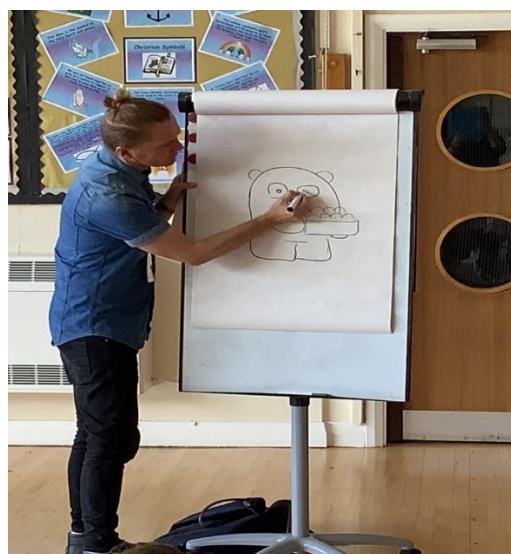
This week we are really looking forward to our Year 6 Assembly and our Leavers' Church Service. The children have mixed feelings about these events as they are excited to share all of their memories but sad when they think about leaving. I would like to thank Miss Timothy and Mrs Kelly for working so hard with the children, particularly in such extreme heat, on both of these events.

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We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Year 6 children for being such a super class. There have been some real challenges over the last few years but the children have been resilient and determined to overcome these challenges and to do their very best. We wish them every success in the future.

**Author visit Steven Antony**

We were very excited to have the amazing opportunity to spend a day with the award-winning children's author, Steve Antony on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June. He worked with all children from Nursery to Year 6, running sessions based on some of his published books which inspired all our children across the school. Steve brought in copies of many of his books and talked to the children about his illustrations and creative processes when he writes his books. By way of background, Steve is an award-winning writer and illustrator of 22 children's books, 7 of which have been nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal, and is probably best known for his ongoing Mr Panda series which has sold over 1 million copies worldwide. Along with the award-winning modern classic *The Queen's Hat* and its sequels, his other picture books include *Unplugged*, *Amazing*, *Green Lizards Vs Red Rectangles*, *Betty Goes Bananas* and *Monster in the Hood*. Steve also illustrated the all-new *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* (adapted by Peter Bently), Tim Minchin's *When I Grow Up* and a 70th anniversary cover of *The Famous Five and You Can!*, written by Alexandra Strick and a team of children. Steve was very complimentary about both our pupils and their engagement with books. We were delighted to receive bookmarks, stickers, colouring sheets from him the next day to thank us for our warm welcome.



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**Sports Day**

**Sports Day**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June was George Fenthams Annual Sports day and it was wonderful to welcome parents back to support this event. In the morning KS1 took part in the egg and spoon, running and obstacles races. Whilst in the afternoon KS2, participated in throwing the shot putt and javelin activities. They also got to test their throwing accuracy and long jump skills before competing in the running races. Children competed each event on behalf of their school colour and all the points they earned were collected to see which team colour had won. Throughout the day the children used their School Games Values to encourage each other and persevere to do their best. A special well done to those children nominated by their teachers and pupils who received the School Games Medals. Well done everyone!

**KS1 Winners = Green Team**

**KS 2 Winners = Red Team**

**Summer 2 2022 Clubs & Music Lessons**

Day	During the school day	After-school
Monday	3.20 - 4.30 pm	Jet Dance After School Club
Tuesday	Drum Lessons	KS2 Tuesday After School Football
Wednesday	Lunchtime Archery Club Strings Lessons Wider Opportunities - Y4 Strings	
Thursday	Woodwind	3.20-4.20 pm KS2 Athletics Club
Friday	Keyboard & Guitars	3.20-4.20 pm KS1 Summer Sports Club

**Sporting Activities**

**Girls Football Team**

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June our George Fenthams Girls Football Team took part in the South Solihull Schools Tournament. This was a momentous occasion as it was the first ever outing of the newly formed team. They played four matches:

GF v Greswold 3-0 win

Gf v Valley 3 - 0 win

GF v Cheswick Green 2-1 loss

GF v Dorridge 1-1. This was a really competitive game against the team that went through to the final. We had loads of shots on goal but just couldn't make them go in!

The girls represented George Fenthams brilliantly; showing great team spirit, as well as strength and control on the pitch. It was wonderful to see them putting their new skills into practice. What super stars!

**Jet Dance**

A number of our George Fenthams children took their IDTA dance examinations a few weeks ago, results have just arrived and everyone passed with flying colours! A wonderful achievement by the following:

Violet B, Christine A, Abigail B, Amy E, Lydia G, Layla H, Chloe-Belle H, Hermione J, Sadie M, Sophie M, Kiran S and Amba S.

A big well done to them from us and the Jet Dance team!



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**Playground Leaders: You Skip Challenge**

This term our playground leaders have been helping other children participate in the "You Skip Challenge". Children tried three different skipping styles and were awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze depending on how long they could maintain the skip. Well done to the 62 children who achieved an award.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Year 6 Playground Leaders before they move on to secondary school. You have been awesome role models for our younger pupils and brilliant ambassadors of the School Games Values. Thank you for all your help.

**Mrs Bradburn**

**Eco- Council**

School is always such a busy environment and finding lots of time to facilitate enrichment is sometimes difficult to achieve. Reflecting back on our eco-journey, it is hard to imagine how we managed to fit everything in. Our eco-councillors have had such a busy year and have all been extremely committed to the cause of improving the local and global environment. I am so proud of all of their achievements. Over the course of the year, they have:

1. Improved recycling facilities in school by ensuring all classes have waste paper recycling boxes.
2. Created, promoted and judged a sustainability competition (our Santa's New Sleigh design).
3. Taken part in the RSPB Birdwatch activity by organising a week long playground event for all year groups.
4. Helped to organise a recycled toy amnesty.
5. Conducted a research project on the number of glue-sticks that we use to determine how many are used over the course of a year. The children followed this up by writing a letter to the CEO of Bostik with some suggestions for how their glue-sticks can be made more eco-friendly (response awaited).

All of these initiatives were organised and undertaken in their own time. A huge WELL DONE and THANK YOU to the George Fentham Eco-Councillors!

**Mrs Briggs**

**School Council**

This half term our School Council Representatives met with Mrs Salmon to talk about how they use BLP (Building Learning Power) in their school work, around school and out of school. The children provided excellent feedback and were able to talk about which of the BLP "Capacities" they use most and how BLP can help them to develop good learning behaviours which they can apply beyond school. Some of our favourite capacities are persevering, managing distractions, collaborating, making links and reasoning.

**George Fentham's Got Talent**

Unfortunately, due to the extreme heat in school we have had to postpone our GFGT as this was planned for Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July in the school hall. With around 200 children in the hall the heat would have been unmanageable. At the time of writing we are looking at rescheduling and will let the children know if this can be rearranged.

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**Behaviour and Relationships Policy**

This half term we have launched our new Behaviour and Relationships Policy. The children have really enjoyed exploring our new school rules and applying them to different situations both in and out of school. We ask all children to be **READY, RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE** and link all behaviour to these 3 words. Please see our school website for our Behaviour and Relationships Policy for further details.

**Dogs near Playground Entrance**

There has been a significant reduction in the number of dogs outside school at the start and end of the day. *We would like to thank all of those Parents/Carers who have kept their dogs away from the path between school and the allotments.*

As highlighted in our previous letter, we have had a number of Parents/Carers raise concerns about unattended dogs, or dogs on leads obstructing the path into school. Some children are frightened and nervous of dogs and have been upset coming into school. We would like to ask for everyone's help in keeping this area free from dogs.

**REMINDER: Attendance and Requests for Leave of Absence**

To support us to secure good attendance for all of our pupils and to address concerns regarding any child's poor school attendance and punctuality, we will be continuing to work with Central School Attendance and Welfare Service Ltd (CSAWS) in 2022/23. Each half term, attendance registers are rigorously scrutinised to identify any attendance issues. This includes children falling below 95% attendance, children who are below 90% attendance and therefore at risk of becoming persistent absentees, children with any unauthorised absence and any punctuality concerns.

Your child may be referred to a CSAWS Attendance and Welfare Officer if their attendance and punctuality is causing concern. They will then contact you by phone, letter or home visit to discuss the school's concerns and how attendance and punctuality can be improved.

Please note, Head Teachers are only allowed to grant leave of absence in **very exceptional circumstances** and where the application has been made **two weeks in advance**. This does not include family holidays. Should you require any further information, or wish to discuss a leave of absence request please contact the school office.

**Medicines in School - REMINDER**

Our Medicines in School and Administering Medicines policy are both on our school website, along with the permission forms for prescribed and over the counter medicines.

Should your child require any medicine during the school day, please complete the relevant form and speak directly to a member of the office staff.

**PLEASE ENSURE ALL MEDICATION IS COLLECTED AT THE END OF TERM FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE. NEW MEDICATION, ALONG WITH A NEW FORM, SHOULD BE SENT IN ON TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.**

**Medical, Dental & Optician Appointments**

Following advice from CSAWS, we would like to ask for your support in organising medical, dental and optician appointments outside of the school day. Please note if there is no alternative, you may be asked to show a copy of your appointment letter or card to the school office.

**Dietary Requirements / Food Allergies**

Please note it is the responsibility of Parents/Carers to advise the school office, in writing, of any dietary requirements or food allergies for each individual child. This is not required for food

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preferences but for medical conditions such as allergies or religious beliefs. This information will be stored on the child's record throughout school.

**Healthy Schools: Break time Snacks**

As part of our Health Schools approach, we ask for your support in **only sending in pure fresh or dried fruit and vegetables for morning snack. No other snacks are permitted.** Please note fresh fruit or vegetables are provided by school for all children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Key Stage 2 children should be provided with a fruit or vegetable snack from home. Children have access to their water bottles during the day and are regularly reminded to drink. Please encourage your child to do this and **ensure that drinking bottles contain water only.** Should you wish your child to have milk at break time details are available from the school office.

**No Nuts in School**

We have a number of children in school who have a severe nut allergy. These allergies can be life threatening. **In order to keep all of our children safe, please ensure that you do not send any nuts or products containing nuts into school with your child, at any time.**

**School Meals - Outstanding Debt**

**Parents of children in KS2:**

From September 2022 School meals will be £2.30 per day.

Please ensure that you check your account regularly and credit your account with sufficient funds to pay for your child's school lunches. If a debt exceeds one week's school lunches a hot meal cannot be provided until the debt is cleared and the account is in credit.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Please contact the school office if you think your child may be eligible for free school meals.

**The BASE**

The BASE provides before and after school care and Nursery wrap around care during term time. The BASE is not run by school, but by a completely separate Voluntary Management Committee. If you have any queries regarding this provision, please contact Mrs Tina Coley directly on 01675 443913.

**PTFA**

Thank you to everyone who supported us at Hampton Festival whether it was filling your Crazy Cup, donating chocolate and wine for the tombola, visiting our stall or helping on the day. We raised an amazing £440! These funds allowed us to provide all of YEAR 6 with a George Fentham Leavers' Hoodie.

We hope, with all your support that we will be able continue this level of contribution next year and here are a few easy ways you can support the PTFA over the summer:

- Join <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/gfeschoolptfa/> and help us raise money by simply shopping online.
- Shop through AmazonSmile and search for George Fentham Endowed School Parent Teacher Association. <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1022563-0>
- Buy your school name labels from: [www.mynametags.co.uk](http://www.mynametags.co.uk) quoting the school ID: 26751 - we will receive 20% of your order. They really are fantastic labels!

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The PTFA's success is dependent on your continued support and engagement. We particularly need support from parents in Foundation Stage and KS1 for the PTFA to be sustainable going forward for future years. Many of our team will be leaving at the end of term as they will no longer have children at GFES. So new members for September will be essential for us to continue.

If you would like to get more involved, any help big or small is appreciated, please contact us: [gfptfa@gmail.com](mailto:gfptfa@gmail.com). Or just turn up at our next meeting. We look forward to meeting some new faces in September 2022!

**Date of the next meeting: TBC via class WhatsApp groups**



We would like to take this opportunity to thank Rhona Cloke, who is standing down as chair after several years at the helm. Her commitment, enthusiasm and organisational skills have been second to none. Thanks for all your hard work Rhona, you will be missed!

**And finally.....**

On behalf of everyone at George Fentham Endowed School, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your on-going support this year and to wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer holiday.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022**. (Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September is an INSET day.)

**Mrs J Gaughan  
Headteacher**