



Goldenhill Primary Academy



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"Everyone shines at Goldenhill"

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Dear parent/guardian,

Welcome back!

We hope that the Christmas break gave both parents and children time to rest and relax after our first term this year. Hopefully it provided chance for you to create lots of lovely memories, and have lots of fun. The children have worked so hard already this year, and I am excited to see this continue into 2023.

Here are a few important bits of information for the upcoming half term:

- **Reading:** It is essential that children are experiencing reading as much as possible, especially at this stage in their learning. As an Academy, we expect the children to read at home 4x per week. Each time they read at home, the children can move up through the clouds on our 'Aiming High Challenge'. Each time a child reaches the end of the clouds, they will receive a prize at the end of the half term.
- **PE:** This half term PE will be on a **Monday** and a **Thursday**. Children should **arrive at school in their PE kit** on both Monday and Thursday and will remain in their PE kit for the rest of the day. Please be reminded that children need appropriate PE kit, which will allow them to fully participate within the lessons.
- **Topic:** This half term, we begin a new topic called **Bright Lights, Big City**- in which the children build on their geographical skills and learn all about our capital city, London. We also learn about the Great Fire of London and its impact on the city today. See the attached topic web for more information on what we learn this term.
- **Homework:** In homework books, children have a 'Homework Overview', which includes tasks for the term. You can choose which of these tasks to complete at which time, as long as homework books are handed in on a **Thursday**, with the date ticked off against the correct piece of homework. Children will then have their homework book handed back to them on a Friday.
- **Snack:** A **healthy** snack will be provided, from school, for the children to eat at break time but children are able to bring in a healthy snack from home if they wish. Toast and crumpets can be paid for via Parent Pay.
- Children need to bring in their own **water bottles** with them so they can have a drink throughout the school day. Please be reminded that the children are encouraged to only fill these with still water.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask any member of the Year 1 team. I am very much looking forward to seeing the children grow and excel in the coming term- they have worked incredibly hard so far and I hope that this will continue.

Thanks for your continued support,
Miss Woodward



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