



Goldenhill Primary Academy



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"Everyone shines at Goldenhill"

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Dear parent/guardian,

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Welcome back!

I hope you have all had an amazing break and managed to create many festive memories! I know the children will tell me all about them over the next few days; I cannot wait to hear all about it and catch up on what they have been up to. I am so excited to be welcoming you all back and ready to start a new term together. We have a very exciting and busy term ahead. In order to help you and the children transition into the new classroom setup, here are a few important bits of information for the upcoming half term:

- It is essential that children are experiencing reading as much as possible, especially at this stage in their learning. Especially as SATs are all timed and children need to have pace when reading. Please encourage your child to do lots of reading and ensure that their diary is signed and dated. They will continue to use AR and quiz weekly and will have a timed library slot. During this session they will have the opportunity to choose a book for pleasure which can be signed out but needs to be returned when completed.
- This half term we will be working on health and fitness in **PE**. This will be on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday** afternoon. Children should **arrive at school in their PE kit** on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** will **remain in their PE kit** for the rest of the day. Please ensure children are wearing the **correct PE kit** and earrings are covered if they can't be removed.
- In **homework** books, children will receive 2 pieces of homework a week on top of TTRS and Reading. These pieces of homework will be handed out on a Friday and will need to be handed back in by Wednesday.
- Our **topic** for the second term is 'Maafa' please see the attached topic web for more information about what we will be learning this term!
- Children are able to bring in a **healthy snack** from home if they wish to eat at break time.
- Children need to bring in their own **water bottles** with them so they can have a drink throughout the school day, please ensure this is filled with water only.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask any of the year 6 staff who will always be on hand to answer any queries. I cannot wait to work alongside you and the children for the rest of the year, to create a perfect partnership! I know it will continue to be an **amazing year** for us all!

Thanks,
Miss Pitt