



GOLDENHILL PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWS LETTER

Summer 2026



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Academy Values:

Kindness

Bravery/ Resilience

Honesty

Respect

Curiosity

Independence

Dear Parent/Carer,

As I prepare to leave my role as Headteacher of Goldenhill Primary Academy and begin a full-time secondment as Deputy CEO of Societas Trust, I have been reflecting on what has been an incredible 13-year journey.

Leading Goldenhill has been one of the greatest privileges of my professional life. When I first joined the school, I had a clear vision of creating an academy where every child could thrive, achieve their potential and develop the confidence, character and aspirations needed for success in life. Looking back, I am immensely proud of how far we have come together as a community. Together, we have seen Goldenhill grow from strength to strength, building a reputation for high-quality education, exceptional pastoral care and a culture where every child is encouraged to achieve their full potential. I am immensely proud of everything we have accomplished as a school community and of the opportunities, experiences and support we have provided for our children.

One of my greatest joys has been working alongside such talented and dedicated staff, whose commitment and professionalism have helped create a school where high expectations, inclusion and continuous improvement are at the heart of everything we do. Seeing our children grow in confidence, develop their talents and move on to the next stage of their education as successful, well-rounded individuals has been incredibly rewarding.

I am also proud of the strong partnerships we have built with families and the wider community. Goldenhill has always been more than a school; it is a caring and supportive community that works together to ensure children thrive. The trust, encouragement and support shown by parents over the years have played a huge part in the school's success.

Whilst it is emotional to step away from my day-to-day role, I am excited to begin this new chapter as Deputy CEO of Societas Trust. This opportunity will allow me to support schools, leaders and children across the Trust whilst maintaining a close connection with Goldenhill and continuing to contribute to its future success.

I would also like to wish Mr Bagley every continued success as he takes on the role of Acting Headteacher next academic year. He knows the school exceptionally well, and I have every confidence that Goldenhill will continue to flourish and go from strength to strength under his leadership.

As we reach the end of another successful academic year, I would like to thank our children, staff, governors and families for their hard work, dedication and support. Our pupils continue to embody our academy values of kindness, resilience, curiosity, honesty, respect and independence every day, and they should be incredibly proud of all they have achieved.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of this remarkable journey. Your support, friendship and belief in our shared vision have made so much possible. It has been an honour to serve as Headteacher, and I will always be proud to be part of the Goldenhill family.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support. I wish all of our children and families a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday.

Yours sincerely
Mr Steven Martin
Head Teacher



Goldenhill Primary Academy

Our Values

Kindness



We are kind to others and look after our school.

Respect



We respect ourselves, others and our world.

Curiosity



We ask questions, explore and love to learn.

Honesty



We tell the truth and do the right thing.

Independence



We take responsibility, make good choices and believe in ourselves.

Resilience



We keep trying, learn from challenges and never give up.



Everyone Shines at Goldenhill!



Staffing Structure: 2026-2027

Senior Leadership team:

Mr. A Bagley	Acting Head Teacher
Miss. E Pitt	Acting Deputy Head Teacher
Mr. R. Nicholls	Assistant Head Teacher / Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO)

Year group	Class teacher(s)	Teaching Support staff
Early Years	Mr. Nicholls & Miss Mansell	Mrs. Everard Miss. Williams
Year 1	Miss. Sketchley & Ms. Clarke	Mrs. Jones
Year 2	Miss. Sutherland	Mrs. Heath
Year 3	Miss. Hart	Mrs. Russell
Year 4	Miss Lea-Smith & Mrs. Belfield	Mrs. Lomas
Year 5	Mrs. Keay & Mrs. Belfield	Miss. Dunn
Year 6	Miss. Pitt	TBC
Shine Space	Mrs. Martin & Miss. Munn	

MEET THE TEACHER SESSIONS



On Thursday 10th September, we will be holding short sessions after school so that you are able to see your child's new learning environment and meet their new teacher. It will also give you a chance to find out more about what is happening in your child's class as information about PE, homework, topics, etc. will all be shared. Please try to come along if you can make it. All meetings will be held in your child's new classroom at 3:20pm & 5pm

Trust News

For information about the latest Societas Trust news, please visit the following address:

<https://www.societatrast.org.uk/>

INSET days

A reminder that school is closed for children on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September.
School is open for children on Thursday 3rd September 2026.



Goldenhill Primary Academy

SCHOOL UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

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1. EVERYDAY SCHOOL UNIFORM

Every child should wear:

- ✓ White polo shirt or white shirt
- ✓ Grey or black trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore
- ✓ School sweatshirt or cardigan (Branded or plain school colour)
- ✓ Black sensible school shoes



KEY STAGE 2

White shirt and school tie are required for all KS2 pupils.
Children in Years 1 & 2 may also wear a tie if they wish (available from school).



2. PE KIT

Children should wear:

- ✓ Plain red or white PE T-shirt
- ✓ Plain black shorts, joggers or leggings
- ✓ Trainers



OPTIONAL:

Plain dark hoodie or sweatshirt

3. SUMMER & WINTER



SUMMER

- Red gingham dress
- Grey shorts



WINTER

- ✓ Warm waterproof coat
- ✓ Hats, gloves and scarves for outdoor play
- ✓ Plain dark joggers for outdoor PE when needed



4. BRANDED OR PLAIN? BOTH ARE WELCOME!

To help keep costs low, most uniform items do NOT need to have the school logo.

SCHOOL LOGO ITEMS AVAILABLE



SWEATSHIRT

CARDIGAN

PE T-SHIRT

BOOK BAG

PLAIN ITEMS ARE ABSOLUTELY FINE

- ✓ Polo shirts or shirts
- ✓ Trousers
- ✓ Shorts
- ✓ Skirts or pinafores
- ✓ PE shorts or joggers
- ✓ Socks and tights
- ✓ School shoes
- ✓ Coats

Supermarket and high street uniform is perfectly acceptable.



5. SECOND-HAND UNIFORM

We want every family to have access to affordable uniform.

- ✓ Contact the school office about available items
- ✓ Attend our Uniform Swap or Pre-Loved Uniform events
- ✓ Ask for support if your child needs uniform or PE kit

Watch newsletters and Arbor for upcoming events.



6. INCLUSIVE FOR EVERY CHILD

We understand that every child is different. We can make reasonable adjustments for:

- ✓ Religion or belief
- ✓ Cultural dress
- ✓ Medical conditions
- ✓ Disabilities
- ✓ Sensory or additional needs

Please speak to the school office so we can work together to support your child.



7. NEED HELP?

If you are finding it difficult to purchase uniform, please contact us.

Everything will be treated sensitively and confidentially.

01782 235790

office@goldenhillprimary.org.uk

You can also speak to:

- The Family Support Team
- Pastoral Team



Feel part of our school community



Take pride in themselves



Promote equality and belonging



Be ready to learn every day



School uniform is available from Smart School Uniform or other supermarkets or high street retailers for plain uniform items.



Year 3 Visit to Trentham Gardens - 1st May 2026

Year 3 visited Trentham Gardens where they took part in a range of educational activities linked to their curriculum learning. The visit provided excellent opportunities for teamwork, exploration and outdoor learning.



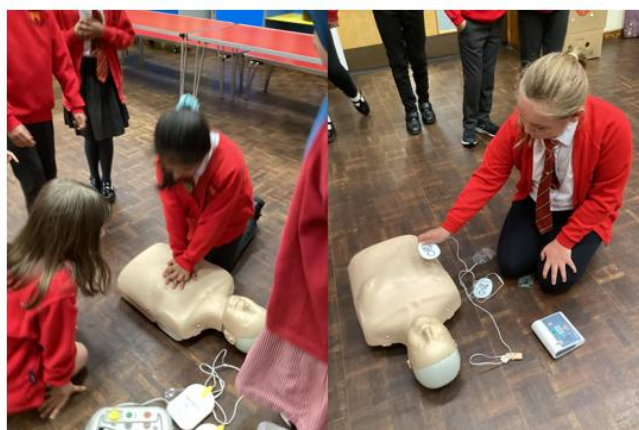
Year 6 SATs Bowling Treat - 15th May 2026

Following their hard work and dedication during SATs week, Year 6 enjoyed a well-deserved bowling trip. The children were a credit to the academy and thoroughly enjoyed celebrating the end of their assessments.



Year 4 Mini Medics - 3rd June 2026

Year 4 participated in a Mini Medics programme where they learned valuable first aid skills and how to respond in emergency situations. The children showed great enthusiasm and responsibility throughout the course.





Year 6 Residential - Stanley Head (May 2026)

Year 6 had an unforgettable residential experience at Stanley Head. The children demonstrated courage, independence and teamwork whilst participating in a range of outdoor adventure activities. Many fears were conquered and memories were made that will last a lifetime.



Year 3 Visit to Chester - 10th June 2026

Year 3 travelled to Chester as part of their Roman topic. The children enjoyed exploring Roman history, investigating artefacts and deepening their understanding of life in Roman Britain.





Northwood Athletics Competition - 12th June 2026

Our Key Stage 2 athletes represented the school brilliantly at the Northwood Athletics Competition. We were extremely proud of their effort, resilience and support for one another throughout the day.



Sports Day - 17th June 2026

Our annual Sports Day was a fantastic success. All children demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, determination and teamwork throughout the events. Thank you to all families who attended and supported the children.



Father's Day Breakfast - 19th June 2026

Thank you to all the fathers, grandfathers and family members who joined us for our Father's Day Breakfast. It was wonderful to see so many families sharing a special morning together.





Tunstall Library Visit - 20th June 2026

Children enjoyed visiting Tunstall Library where they explored a wide range of books and discovered the many services available through their local library. The visit helped encourage a love of reading and lifelong learning.



Year 2 Visit to Beeston Castle - 22nd June 2026

As part of their history learning, Year 2 visited Beeston Castle and explored its fascinating history. The children learned about monarchs, castle life and enjoyed spectacular views from the castle grounds.





Clough Hall Park Run Assembly - 23rd June 2026

We were delighted to celebrate the achievements of our pupils who regularly participate in the Clough Hall Park Run. The assembly highlighted the importance of physical activity, determination and personal achievement.



Year 2 Visit to Trentham Lakes - 2nd July 2026

Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful visit to Trentham Lakes where they explored nature, observed wildlife and took part in a range of outdoor learning activities. The children showed excellent behaviour and curiosity throughout the day.



Nursery Footballer Visit - 3rd July 2026

Nursery welcomed a special footballer visitor who spoke to the children about sport, determination and healthy lifestyles. The children enjoyed asking questions, practising their football skills and learning the importance of teamwork and perseverance.





Year 6 Production:

Year 6 put on a wonderful production of 'The Amazing Adventures of Super Stan'. The children were AMAZING. The acting was top level and the singing was out of this world. The children very much took a lead role on stage directions and the choreography and what a fabulous job they did to!



Community Heroes Club

Community Heroes have once again visited Lawton Rise Care Home to read and chat to the residents and to perform songs. Well done! You continue to be a credit to the academy!



Year 5 Speed Awareness

Year 5 took part in a speed awareness morning. Amongst other activities, they used a speed gun.





Lower Drayton Farm Visit

Year 5 have a great day at Lower Drayton Farm, riding on the tractor and trailer, learning about different crops, seeing a variety of animals (big and small) and enjoying the indoor play adventure area



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WISHING
YOU
ALL THE
BEST

At the end of the academic year we say goodbye to some of our amazing staff.

Sara Glover (Mrs Glover)

Mrs Glover will be leaving Goldenhill at the end of this academic year after working with us for the past 18 months as an Early Years Practitioner. During her time here, she has supported our youngest children with care, kindness and commitment, helping them to settle, grow in confidence and develop in their learning. We thank Mrs Glover for her contribution to Goldenhill and wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Tiffany Woodward (Miss Woodward)

Miss Woodward will be leaving Goldenhill at the end of this academic year after working with us for the past 7 years. During her time at Goldenhill, she has made a significant contribution as both our SENCO and class teacher, supporting many children and families with care, dedication and professionalism. She has also led a number of subjects across school to a high standard, helping to strengthen our curriculum and wider provision. We thank Miss Woodward for everything she has given to Goldenhill and wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Cerys Wood (Miss Wood)

Miss Wood will be leaving Goldenhill at the end of this academic year after working with us for the past year as our Year 3 class teacher. During this time, she has built positive relationships with the children and supported them with their learning, confidence and wider development. Miss Wood has also led PE across school this academic year and has helped to move the subject forward, contributing positively to the opportunities available for our pupils. We thank Miss Wood for her contribution to Goldenhill and wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Lauren Ash (Miss Ash)

Miss Ash will be leaving Goldenhill at the end of this academic year after teaching in Year 2 since January. During her time with us, she has worked hard to build positive relationships with the children and has supported them in their learning, confidence and personal development. Miss Ash has shown dedication and commitment in helping year 2 to make progress and enjoy their learning experiences. We thank Miss Ash for her contribution to Goldenhill and wish her every success and happiness for the future.

Jade Hackney Mrs Hackney

Mrs Hackney will be leaving Goldenhill at the end of this academic year after working with us for the past 5 years as a Teaching Assistant and Higher Level Teaching Assistant. During her time at Goldenhill, she has provided valued support to both pupils and staff across the school, demonstrating care, professionalism and dedication in all that she does. Her flexibility, commitment and positive approach have helped many children to succeed both academically and personally. We thank Mrs Hackney for her significant contribution to Goldenhill over the past five years and wish her every success and happiness for the future.