

School Newsletter



Griffin Hoodies!

We have issued Griffin hoodies to all children in Year 6 on Friday. More hoodies will be coming in soon for the rest of the school.

Contact Us

Call 01482 794122

Select **option 1** to report absences.

Select **option 2** to speak to a member of staff.

Email:

griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org

Twitter

Remember to follow us on Twitter, to keep up to date with what all of our children are learning in school.

Weekly celebration certificates are tweeted, and so are any other accomplishments. We've even had comments from the authors of books children are reading and reviewing in school!

Keeping Warm in School

Please remember, as it is getting colder, all children should be coming to school with a navy cardigan/jumper, black school shoes, and a coat/jacket.

For PE, children can bring in plain, unbranded jogger bottoms, to keep them warm during outdoor activities.

Important Information

School times: 8.55am - 3.30pm

Thursdays: 8.55am - 1.45pm

School Doors

- Red Door - Reception
- Green Door - Year 1/2
- Yellow Door—Year 3 and 4KR
- Blue Door - Year 5/6 and 4DG

Late arrivals will be escorted to their class by a staff member.

Spanish Day - Hola!

Monday was Spanish Day at Griffin Primary. Children took part in lots of exciting themed activities during their lessons in school, and also enjoyed paella, omelettes and patatas bravas for lunch!

We look forward to running more themed days and events like this one.

Nursery Applications Open!

If your child turns 3 before December, remember to register them to join our nursery from January.

Forms can be collected from the main reception office, and must be returned as soon as possible to guarantee your place.

LPPA Awards!

At Griffin, we are working towards achieving a Leading Parental Partnership Award. Mrs Clark is our lead coordinator, and will be working to help our school improve our engagement with all parents.

Nursery

School times: 8.45am - 3.30pm

School Doors

Use the nursery entrance on Griffin Road

Please remember to call the school if you are going to be late!

EYFS Early Adopters

At Griffin we are early adopters of the revised EYFS framework, 2020-21.

This means Griffin will follow, in full, the EYFS reforms early adopter framework (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-adopter-schools-eyfs-framework>).

More information can be found on the school website under the parent tab, EYFS

YOUNGMINDS

The children raised an amazing £215.12 for this amazing charity!

Reading



Twitter

Look out for our book reviews on Twitter. We have had views, likes and retweets from Tom Palmer, Malorie Blackman and SF Said.

Physical Education

It is continuing to get colder outside, but whilst the weather permits, we will be having PE lessons outside. Children are encouraged to bring in joggers / tracksuit bottoms.

Covid-19 - please remember...

Keep yourself and others around you safe, sanitise your hands, maintain 2m social distancing.

WEEK 1 MENU	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Menu	Cheese and tomato pizza & seasoned wedges	Sausages & creamed potato, vegetables and gravy	Pasta Bolognese & seasoned vegetables	Roast chicken & creamed potato with seasonal vegetables and gravy	Battered fish with chips and peas
Vegetarian Substitutes	As above	Vegetarian sausages	Vegetable pasta bake	Quorn roast	Fishless fingers
Individual pots available with hot menu	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice
Desserts (fruit served daily)	Flapjack	Orange short-cake	Raspberry bun	Mandarin cake	Gingerbread man
Packed lunch option	Bread bun sandwich (ham or cheese) Homemade biscuit or cake, fruit and drink	Bread bun sandwich (ham or cheese) Homemade biscuit or cake, fruit and drink	Bread bun sandwich (ham or cheese) Homemade biscuit or cake, fruit and drink	Bread bun sandwich (ham or cheese) Homemade biscuit or cake, fruit and drink	Bread bun sandwich (ham or cheese) Homemade biscuit or cake, fruit and drink

Harvest Festival 2020 Friday 23 October



Rev Aian MacPherson from St Philips, our local community church, will be providing us with a harvest video message. This will form part of the classroom assemblies next week.

He will talk about thankfulness, and how this can be linked to the work of our local community food bank (serving Longhill, Bilton Grange, Great Field, Marfleet and Preston Road).

At the height of lockdown, this food bank was feeding 80 households, and 180 people (half of whom were children).

Donations to the food bank can be placed in the labelled boxes either before or after school, next to each year group door.

Accepted donations:

- Tinned food (beans, peas, custard etc.)
- Tinned meats and fish (urgently needed)
- UHT milk
- Tea / Coffee
- Dried pasta & rice
- Cereals
- Sugar