

Countdown to Christmas Holidays!

The last day for children this term, will be **Wednesday 16th December**.

School Newsletter



Covid-19 - update...

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

Remember:

- only one adult should come on site with each child/family, to minimise congestion on site.
- vaping is not permitted on school grounds.
- all adults (unless exempt) are being asked to wear a mask in school. This is to protect children, staff, and other parents and adults in school.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Primary School Applications

Remember to apply for your primary school place by Friday 15 January 2021.

All children must apply, even if your child currently attends our nursery.

Remember that absences in nursery can affect acceptance to primary school.

More information and how to "Register for my school portal" can be found here:

<http://www.hull.gov.uk/.../primary-school-applications>

School Reminders

Children must attend school with a coat / cardigan / jumper as the weather is continuing to get colder.

Long hair must be tied back at all times.

Please keep off the grass (including the fields), as it is slippery, muddy and wet.

Christmas Dinner will be served on Thursday 10th December - there will be no other dinner options on this day.

If you have not received your child's Microsoft Teams login details, please email the school, as you will need this to access our Christmas productions this year.

If your child does not have consent for photographs/videos, please inform us in writing if you would like them to be included in our video recordings this Christmas.

Important Information

School times: 8.55am - 3.30pm

Thursdays: 8.55am - 1.45pm

Gates open at 8.30am and 3.15pm daily

School Doors

- Red Door - Reception
- Green Door - Year 1/2
- Yellow Door - Year 3 and 4KR
- White (old breakfast club) door - 4DG
- Blue Door - Year 5/6

Late arrivals will be escorted to their class.

Attendance and Punctuality

Please ensure you inform school if your child will not be attending, due to illness or appointments. Local authorities are continuing to take an interest in persistent absentees, so please speak to us if there are any concerns about your child's attendance.

If the absence is due to Covid-19, we may need to see evidence of this. We also need to know if a child or any member of their immediate family is having a test. These steps will help us to ensure that all children, staff and parents are kept safe.



On Twitter This Week

Nursery will soon have a brand new nursery rhyme mural. How exciting!

Reception created their own number sentences with cookies, and then worked out the answers!

Year 1 have been writing their own stories about Little Red Riding Hood.

Year 2 have been discussing The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark.

Year 3 have been working hard in maths, solving problems using bar models.

Year 4 studied conductors and insulators in science, using a light circuit to experiment with.

Year 5 are learning all about plastics, and have looked at different plastic symbols.

Year 6 have been setting up an experiment to grow moulds.

What an amazing week!

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!

Nursery Applications Open!

There are only a couple of weeks left this term to accept nursery applications for January. Applications can be collected from the school office.

Reading Corner

Remember to use the Bug Club online learning resource for reading at home!

Contact your class teacher via email if you need your child's login details.

Welfare Calls

We are continuing to make welfare calls to keep in touch with children who are not in school.

Thank you to all parents for your support in ensuring children are able to continue coming to school for quality education.

WEEK 3 MENU	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Menu	Mac 'n' cheese Garlic bread Seasonal vegetables	Beef burger Chips Coleslaw & sweetcorn	All day breakfast Seasonal vegetables	Roast turkey Cocktail sausages Stuffing Roast potatoes, carrots, peas Gravy	Battered fish with chips and peas/beans
Vegetarian Substitutes (Jacket Potato & Pasta available daily)	Mediterranean pasta bake	Vegetarian burger	Vegetarian breakfast	Quorn chicken <small>(No Jacket Potato or Pasta available today)</small>	Broccoli & tomato crustless quiche
Individual pots available with hot menu	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice	Salad / pasta / rice	NO OTHER OPTION	Salad / pasta / rice
Desserts (fruit & yoghurt served daily)	Butterscotch filled tart With custard	Rice pudding with mandarin With custard	Chocolate crunch With custard	Chocolate vanilla mousse	Chocolate vanilla swirl
School Packed lunch option	Bread bun sandwich (ham, cheese) Tuna wrap	Bread bun sandwich (ham, cheese) Tuna wrap	Bread bun sandwich (ham, cheese) Tuna wrap	NO OTHER OPTION <small>(No Sandwiches / wraps)</small>	Bread bun sandwich (ham, cheese) Tuna wrap

Physical Education

Remember to send unbranded, plain jogger bottoms and appropriate trainers for children to keep warm during PE and outdoors activities. Whilst the weather permits, we will continue doing as many outdoor activities as possible to keep Griffin Covid-secure.

Christmas Events!

Please see the separate Christmas newsletter that has been sent home with children this week, regarding our plans for Christmas events across the school. Please note, the Year 4 Christmas poetry will now be a recording and will **not** be performed live.



Personalised Christmas Cards

If you would like to order any packs, please ensure the card form is completed and returned to the class teacher **with** the money for the cards, by 12noon on Monday 7th December. We will be posting all orders to the printing company on the same day, so we will **not** be able to accept any late orders. Payment can also be made by card on the ParentMail App.

