



**Attendance this week**

**Full School - 91.52%**  
**EYFS/KS1 - 2KR**  
**97.72%**  
**KS2 - 5NK**  
**98.13%**

**Attendance**

Help us improve our full school attendance this year, by getting your child (ren) into school on time every day. It is important that children arrive on time, so they do not miss key morning lessons.

**School absence policy**

A reminder of the sickness policy:  
 24 hours clear for sickness  
 48 hours clear for sickness and/or diarrhoea

**RE/ Harvest**

Thank you for your donations for Harvest Festival this week. All of the donations will be very much appreciated by the food bank at St. Phillips Church.

**A Message from Miss Pitts**

Thank you to our families who supported the food collection for Harvest Festival this week. We were delighted with the amount collected and that has been donated to the food bank at the local church. The pupils all enjoyed taking part in our harvest festival assemblies earlier today with Reverend Aain - it was great to be able to welcome him back into school again!

I am delighted that the pupils enjoyed Spanish Day earlier this week. I enjoyed seeing the enthusiasm for learning about new countries and to hear the pupils keen to speak in Spanish during the day.

Half term starts at the end of Friday 22nd October 2021 with the pupils returning on Monday 1st November 2021.

Miss Pitts, Head of School

**Covid Symptoms**

Covid symptoms - Continuous cough, high temperature, headache and a loss or change of smell and taste. If your child comes down with any of these symptoms, please keep them off school and take them for a PCR Test. Once you have received PCR results, please email them to [griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org](mailto:griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org).

**Birthday Card competition**

Griffin School Council is running a birthday card competition. Please use the space on the attached sheet to design your card. The closing date for the competition is Friday 5th November and 3 winners will be chosen on Wednesday 10th November.

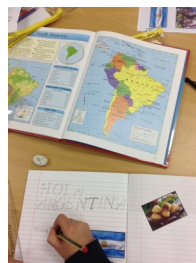
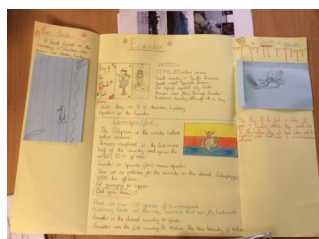
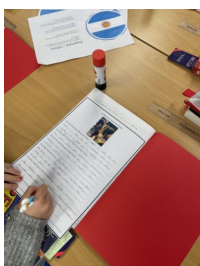
These cards will then be given to children on their birthday. Please hand your designs in to the office and include your name and class on the back.

**Spanish Day**

It was fantastic to see children enjoying learning about different Spanish speaking countries using a range of activities on Spanish Day!

I loved hearing and reading all the new information and facts that you gathered through the research tasks! It was brilliant to hear lots of children speaking Spanish throughout the school and I even heard some children singing in Spanish,

Well done to everyone for all the hard work that you put in and for wearing the colours from the flag of the country your class researched. I am looking forward to next year's Spanish Day already!



**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](mailto:griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org)

**Important Information**

School times: 8.55am - 3.30pm

Thursdays: 8.55am - 1.45pm

**Gates open at 8.35am and 3.10pm daily.**

**Gates close at 8.55am daily.**

**On Thursday, gates open at 1.25pm.**

**School Doors**

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

**New lunch menu online now!**

<https://griffinprimaryschool.org.uk/lunch-menu/>

**Dinner Money**

If your child is in Year 3-6 and enjoys school dinners, unless you receive Free School Meals, you will need to pay £1.50 per day on ParentMail.

Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 do not need to pay.

If you need any help, please email us at:

[griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org](mailto:griffin.enquiries@vennacademy.org)

**Covid-19 - safety first**

Please continue to keep yourself and others safe by getting a test if you suspect you, or your child, may have Covid-19.

Please email any test results to:

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