

12 September 2025

Dear Families,



It is an absolute privilege to welcome you back to school and as your new Headteacher. I trust you have all enjoyed a wonderful summer break and are keen to get back into routines again with your children. I look forward to getting to know you all in the months and years ahead.

It has been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled into school again. The fresh 'buzz' of learning has really begun! A warm welcome to new children and families to our school community and especially to our new Early years children who have attended for taster and morning sessions this week in Robin and Finch class. We know it is early days and whilst there may be a few wobbles initially in the children parting from you, please trust that we will support your child to our very best ability. Your child will familiarise themselves very soon and adjust to Goring school life and the exciting things we get involved with over the year.

### **Collective Worship as a School Community**

In our first Collective Worship we reminded ourselves about the book of Genesis in the Bible and how in the beginning, there was emptiness and darkness before God said **"Let there be light..."**

#### **(Genesis 1:1)**

*We talked about the colours God created in His wonderful world through animals, plant and trees, the land, the water.....*

The children were asked to think about how they can make each day beautiful, colourful and unique just as God created our world. Each day is their masterpiece and we look forward to watching their journey through a new year.



### **Staff**

We would like to congratulate Mr Wilkins (Kestrel Class Teacher) on the safe arrival of his twins at the end of the Summer break. Mr Wilkins is looking after his new family over the next few weeks and will return to school in due course. We welcome Mr Gasson to our school again, who is covering Mr Wilkins in the interim period.

On behalf of the staff team and Governors, I would like to say an enormous thank you to our SLT for their strong leadership of the school over the past academic year, in Mrs Jee's absence. Thank you to Mr Ireland who willingly and capably took on the role as Acting Headteacher, to Mrs Whittaker who was Acting Head for the Summer term and to Mrs Maple, who took on the role as Assistant Head. We thank each one of them for taking on many additional responsibilities and more importantly for being so positive, caring and supportive for all the staff and pupils. Mrs Maple is really happy to be back in the classroom again teaching our Year 1's and supporting the KS1 team.

### **Meet the Teacher and Curriculum Meetings**

Our Class Curriculum meetings are underway at school. We hope you have been able to attend and we look forward to seeing parents and carers of Year 2 on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.**

For those of you who were unable to attend, you will find a copy of the PowerPoint shared at the meeting on our school website, from early next week.

This should give you a summary of key points that were discussed and upcoming events/ trips we are looking forward to. If you have any queries, please speak to your child's class teacher at the end of a school day and they will be happy to talk with you.

### Parking

We know that the roads around and leading to our school entrance are always busy at drop-off and pick-up times and we thank those of you who are able to walk to and from school. This really does help with congestion!

Please can we be mindful of our local neighbours and make sure we are not parking across driveways/ preventing access in Palmerston Avenue.



A gentle reminder that the yellow zig zag lines (as you turn into Barrington Road and opposite the school entrance) must be kept clear at all times. Please support the safety of all our children coming into and leaving school and if you are able to park further away and walk the remainder of the journey in/ out, we would really appreciate your support here.



### Communication

We know there have been a few 'blips' with our main school communication system, Bromcom and MCAS (My Child At School) over the past few days!

If you do have any queries please either:

1. Email the school office [office@goringprimary.org](mailto:office@goringprimary.org) – be aware that any response from teachers may not be the same due to teaching commitments or
2. Come and speak to the class teacher at the end of the day, after the class is fully dismissed.

The start of the day is usually a busy time for teaching staff, so please can any urgent messages be passed onto the school office staff via the telephone. Our lovely office staff will ensure messages are passed onto the class teachers.

### PSA Welcome back picnic!

What a shame that we had to postpone today's picnic after school!

So everyone is aware, the PSA are keen to try again next **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September** for our Family Picnic after school from 3.30pm. We will keep fingers crossed that the wonderful weather is on our side!



### Correspondence to families

My aim is to send out a monthly newsletter to families towards the end of each month. This will include notices and useful information as well as capturing some of the learning taking place in and outside of school. With each newsletter I will also send out the most recent dates list.

If your child has also achieved or done something worth celebrating outside of school and they wish to share it, please feel free to send in some information and a photo to the school office (if you are happy for this to be shared) and I will do my best to include this in any future school newsletters.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Brockhurst  
Headteacher



## Autumn Term 2025

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| Monday 15 September                                      | EYFS- all children attend morning session+lunch, collect child at 1pm<br>Year 2 Curriculum Talk 2.50pm in the school hall |
| Tuesday 16 September                                     | EYFS- all children attend morning session+lunch, collect child at 1pm   |
| Wednesday 17 September                                   | EYFS- children stay for first full day in school<br>STEM workshops years 5 and 6  |
| Thursday 18 September                                    | STEM workshops years 4 and 6  |
| Friday 19 September                                      | PSA Welcome Back picnic 3.20 onwards  |
| Wednesday 24 September                                   | Year 5 All Rise Workshop  |
| Thursday 25 September                                    | EYFS workshops for reading and maths -6pm   |
| Wednesday 24 September – Friday 26 September             | Year 4 Lodge Hill Residential   |
| Monday 29 September                                      | Drama workshop years 1-3  |
| Tuesday 30 September                                     | Individual and sibling school photos<br>Reading/maths workshop EYFS 6pm   |
| Wednesday 1 October                                      | Harvest Service 9.15am<br>Harvest Service 10.15am   |
| Thursday 2 October                                       | Individual and sibling school photos  |
| Tuesday 7 October  | Zoolab year 3 and 6   |
| Wednesday 8 October                                      | Year 5 Planetarium trip   |
| Monday 20 October – Friday 24 October                    | Year 6 Bikeability Week   |
| Tuesday 21 October                                       | Year 2 Arundel Castle trip  |
| Thursday 23 October                                      | PSA Discos various times  |
| Half Term Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October          |   |
| Friday 31st October                                      | Deadline for Secondary School applications  |
| Wednesday 5 November                                     | Year 1 Wild Science Workshop  |
| Tuesday 11 November                                      | Remembrance Day   |
| Thursday 13 November                                     | Parents/Carer Consultation Meetings 3.45-6.45pm   |
| Wednesday 19 November                                    | Parents/Carer Consultation Meetings 3.45-6.45pm   |
| Wednesday 26 November                                    | Year 1 History Workshop/Worthing Toy Museum<br>Non School Uniform Day Donation for Tombola<br>PSA Christmas Fayre         |
| Friday 28 November                                       | PSA Christmas Fayre   |
| Tuesday 2 December                                       | Year 4 Egyptian Day   |
| Wednesday 3 December                                     | Rocksteady Concerts   |
| Tuesday 9 December                                       | EYFS and KS1 Nativity Performances classes and times TBC  |
| Wednesday 10 December                                    | EYFS and KS1 Nativity Performances classes and times TBC  |
| Friday 12 December                                       | Flu vaccinations information to follow<br>Year 3 Ukulele concert 10-10.30   |
| Wednesday 17 December                                    | KS2 Carol Service times TBA   |
| Thursday 18 December                                     | Christmas parties information to follow   |
| Friday 19 December                                       | Last day of term  |
| Christmas Holidays Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January |   |

**Spring Term 2026**

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| Monday 5 January                                  | Inset Day (School closed to pupils)          |
| Tuesday 6 January                                 | First day back of Spring term                |
| Wednesday 11 February                             | Year 5 London Trip                           |
| Half Term Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February |  |
| Monday 23 February                                | Year 2 Explorers workshop                    |
| Wednesday 4 March                                 | Parent/Carers Consultation Meeting 3.45-6.45 |
| Thursday 5 March                                  | World Book Day                               |
| Wednesday 11 March                                | Year 6 parent/carers SATS meeting time TBC   |
| Thursday 12 March                                 | Parent/Carers Consultation Meeting 3.45-6.45 |
| Mon 16 – Thurs 19 March                           | Mock SATS week                               |
| Wednesday 18 March                                | Year 4 Production time TBC                   |
| Thursday 19 March                                 | Year 4 Production time TBC                   |
| Monday 23 March                                   | Easter Services times TBC                    |
| Wednesday 25 March                                | Rocksteady Concerts                          |
| Thursday 26 March                                 | PSA Easter Discos times TBC                  |
| Friday 27 March                                   | Last day of Spring term                      |
| Easter Holidays Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April |  |

**Summer Term 2026**

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| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April              | Inset Day (School closed to pupils)                       |
| Tuesday 14 April                           | First day of Summer Term                                  |
| Wednesday 22 April                         | Year 1 Phonics Screening Parent/Carer Talk 2.50           |
| Wednesday 29 April                         | Year 1 locality Fieldwork trip                            |
| Monday 4 May                               | Bank Holiday  |
| Wednesday 6 May                            | Year 4 Butser Farm Trip<br>Year 1 Beach Trip am           |
| Monday 11 May to Thursday 14 May           | SATS week   |
| Tuesday 19 May                             | Year 6 Highdown Trip                                      |
| Half Term - Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May |   |
| Wednesday 3- Friday 5 June                 | Year 6 Residential to Cobnor Activity Centre              |
| Wednesday 3 June                           | Year 2 Wetlands trip                                      |
| Friday 5 – Saturday 6 June                 | Year 3 Camping TBC  |
| Monday 15 June                             | EYFS/KS1 Sports Day 1pm – 3.15pm                          |
| Tuesday 16 June                            | KS2 Sports Day 12.45-3.10pm                               |
| Wednesday 17 June                          | KS2 Legacy Games times TBC                                |
| Friday 19 June                             | Inset Day (School closed to pupils)                       |
| Monday 22 June                             | Reserve EYFS/KS1 Sports Day 1pm – 3.15pm                  |
| Tuesday 23 June                            | Reserve KS2 Sports Day 12.45-3.10pm                       |
| Wednesday 24 June                          | Year 6 Diocese Leavers service                            |
| Thursday 25 June                           | Year 5 Parent/Carer Cobnor Meeting time TBC               |
| Wednesday 1 July                           | Transition morning<br>Open Evening 4.30-6pm and Book Fair |
| Thursday 2 July                            | Book Fair 3.20-3.50pm                                     |
| Wednesday 8 July                           | EYFS trip to the Woods<br>Year 6 Production time TBC      |
| Thursday 9 July                            | Year 6 Production time TBC                                |
| Friday 10 July                             | Year 3 Ukulele Concert 10-10.30am                         |
| Wednesday 15 July                          | Rocksteady concerts times TBC                             |
| Tuesday 21 July                            | Year 6 Leavers Service                                    |
| Wednesday 22 July                          | Last day of summer term                                   |
| Summer Holiday Thursday 23 July+           |   |