



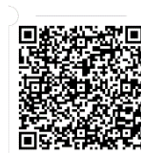
**Goring Church of England  
(Aided) Primary School**

**Faith, Love and Learning**

8 February 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

We have been delighted by so many children demonstrating our school values by living them out in their daily choices. Earlier this term Poppy Y3 made the courageous and generous decision to cut 12 inches off her hair and donate it to The Little Princess Trust. The Little Princess Trust provides free wigs to children who have lost their hair through cancer treatment and other conditions. They also do vital research into children's cancer. What a fantastic display of love and equality. We are very proud of you Poppy. If you would like to sponsor Poppy, you can do so on PayPal or JustGiving! The target is £550, which covers the cost of making one wig.



Year 5 children enjoyed an amazing day in London earlier this week and were respectful and had such a lot of fun going to the theatre to watch the Lion King in readiness for a forthcoming English learning unit. Our thanks go to those staff and parents helpers who supported this trip – it was a long but successful day.

**Parent Consultation meetings Year 1-6  
Thursday 22 February and Thursday 7 March**

Please note that bookings are now live on MCAS until Monday 19 February. Slots should not be booked by parents for children who are on the SEND register and have an Individual learning plan (ILP) as class teachers will arrange meetings with these parents directly.

**Inclusion team**

I am pleased to announce that the expertise in our Inclusion team continue to grow. Mrs Porter, our learning mentor, has recently completed her Emotional Literacy Support training and she is now a fully qualified ELSA. She will be providing targeted intervention for children three afternoons a week in this role and two afternoons as a learning mentor. We know that her support has had a positive impact for many children and will continue to triage needs so children receive the right support within the resources we have available to us.

Miss Moss has returned to the staff team as a Learning support assistant and will be working with some of our children with more complex needs.

We are continuing with our recruitment drive for support staff and would encourage you to alert any-one you know who may have the necessary qualifications for the role of Learning support assistant. To view our most recent adverts which will be posted in the new few days please look on the West Sussex Jobs website: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobs/job-search/>

There are many challenges currently being faced by both schools and parents in the SEND arena both nationally and locally and the impact on children

themselves is significant. It is vital that Government clearly understand these issues and the reality on the ground in our schools. I would encourage you therefore to be frank and detailed in your responses to local MPs as they conduct doorstep visits in coming months in the light of a potential general election.

Key aspects include:

- Recruitment and retention of qualified support staff.
- A pay review for support staff and fully funded offer.
- The lack of external agency capacity and support, including Children Adolescent Mental Health Services, speech and language and educational psychologists.
- Capacity of local authorities to meet the increasing demand for Educational Health Care Plan Needs assessments.
- The lack of specialist setting places, resulting in unreasonable pressure on mainstream settings, who are with their best endeavours trying to meet children's complex SEND needs with limited resources and lack of expert intervention/support.

### **Equality**

As a school we take any form of racism or discrimination very seriously and children are taught about the importance of respect and tolerance throughout their time at Goring. We would ask for your support in discussing these matters at home and in reinforcing the value God places on each person and the significance of our responses too.

### **Landscape Request**

We are in need of Willow rods or samplings to reinvigorate our willow tunnel next to the prayer garden so if you have any to donate please contact the school office. We would be very grateful.

### **Reminders**

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform including shoes each day and that any necessary purchases are made over the half term break. The PSA have a good range of second hand uniform should this be of interest. After half term reminder letters will be sent out to parents if their child is not meeting these expectations.

All children are expected to wear the uniform set out below:

Winter uniform must be worn from October half term to end of Spring term.

Summer uniform must be worn from September to October half term and the summer term.

\* items of uniform are supplied by Broadwater Sports, Worthing

[Goring CE Primary School – Broadwater Sports](#)

Good quality second hand uniform is available from the school PSA

## Reception Children

### Winter: Girls

Navy blue tunic, skirt or trousers/culottes

\*School cardigan or jumper (navy blue with red stripe)

White polo shirt

White socks or navy tights

Sensible black shoes (not trainers, boots or high heeled shoes)

### Summer: Girls

Red and white check summer dress

White socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers or high heeled shoes please)

### Boys

Grey trousers

\*School jumper (navy blue with red stripe)

White polo shirt

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers or boots)

### Boys

Grey shorts

\*Red polo shirt with school logo

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers/fabric shoes)

## Years 1 – 6

### Winter: Girls

Navy blue tunic, skirt or trousers/culottes

\*School cardigan or jumper (navy blue with red stripe)

White blouse

\*School tie

White socks or navy tights

Sensible black shoes (not trainers, boots or high heeled shoes please)

### Boys

Grey trousers

\*School jumper (navy blue with red stripe)

White shirt

\*School tie

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers or boots)

### Year 1-6

#### Summer: Girls

**Y1&2** Red and white check summer dress

**Y3-6** Red and white check summer dress OR navy tailored culottes and a \*red polo shirt with school logo

White socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers or high heeled shoes please)

### Year 1-6

#### Boys

Grey shorts

\*Red polo shirt with school logo

Grey socks

Sensible black shoes (not trainers/fabric shoes)

## **PE kit**

\* PE t- shirt (designated house team colour)

\* Navy shorts

Navy tracksuit (for winter months)

Trainers or black plimssoles

## **Hair**

Hair which is longer than shoulder length to be tied back

No extreme hair styles, these include unnatural colour, shaved lines or patterns, distinct changes in length in the hair (changes should be graduated)

No beaded/braiding

## **Makeup and Jewellery**

No makeup or jewellery will be worn, other than a single set of ear studs which will be covered with tape during PE lessons.

All nails will be free from nail varnish

I hope that these clear expectations and high standards will help the children to present themselves appropriately as part of our Goring school community.

To ensure the safety of your child at the end of the school day please wait for them to reach the front of the line and to be dismissed in person by the classteacher rather than collecting them independently when you see them.

## **Rocksteady concerts date change**

Please note that Rocksteady concerts will now take place on Wednesday 27 March during the afternoon. Times will be confirmed by the Rocksteady Team in due course.

Yours sincerely

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