

"I am able to do all things by  
the one who strengthens me"

Philippians 4:13  
Lexham English Bible



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## Newsletter

14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a relaxing and enjoyable time with your family and friends. This year we are gradually reintroducing events and activities that were well established before Covid. After school clubs will start next week and the PTA are planning a Spring Disco, Pop-Up-Shops and an Easter Egg Trail! We will take small steps initially, just to be sure that everyone is as safe as possible, but it is our aim to ensure that our children have the best opportunities, experiences and education they can possibly have.

### After School Clubs

We have had a great response to the after school clubs. We have tried our best to ensure that all children who have returned their slips have the opportunity to do at least one club. This may mean that if your child applied for two or three clubs they may not have been successful in getting places in every club.

### Lunchtime Play Worker

We are currently looking to appoint a lunchtime play worker to work 1 hour and 20 minutes a day (11.55am-1.15pm). The job is presently advertised for 5 days a week, however, we would also be interested in appointing someone to cover some of the days if everyday is not possible. If you are interested, or if you know anyone who is interested then please contact the school office or see the Derbyshire Jobs' Website:

<https://jobs.derbyshire.gov.uk/JobDetails.aspx?msg=b2z9zIUS9XQWnV36Wi4C4sezDT%2bLJP3GYiFltwld7KA%3d>

### Out of School Activities

**Music** -We are always keen to signpost parents to out of school activities and extended learning opportunities. For pupils with an interest in music South Derbyshire Music Centre and inviting young musicians to join their bands and choirs aimed at different levels of ability including players in early stages of learning an instrument up to players who have achieved Grade 4 and above or children with an interest in singing.

**Girlguiding** – Nearby Findern Village are advertising spaces at their Girlguiding unit. There are spaces in Rainbows age 5-7, Brownies age 7-10, Guides age 10-14 and for pupils with older siblings Rangers age 14-18. They would also love to hear from any potential adult volunteers. Further details are attached.

### PTA Events

The PTA have raised an amazing amount of money over the Autumn Term: The raffle raised £1127, Film Night £550.27, Silver Smarties £308.42 and Knitwear night £826.00. Thank you to the PTA and to everyone who supported these events. Please look out for the 'Pop up Shops' on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 'Spring Disco' on 17<sup>th</sup> March and the 'Easter Egg Hunt on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.'

### Key Stage Two Curriculum Enrichment

Cycling and road safety is an important part of the school's curriculum. This term all Griffon children will be taking part in Bikeability sessions running from 28<sup>th</sup> February to 11<sup>th</sup> March. Children will need to bring their own bike and helmet for these sessions. A two day residential has been booked at Pine Lakes for outdoor and adventurous activities on 12/13<sup>th</sup> July for Trent class. More information will be sent out nearer to the date.

### Parents Evening

We are holding face-to-face parents' meetings on 10<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> February. More information to follow.

### Class Newsletters

Class news letters will be sent out on Parent Hub and available on the website next week.

**Dates:** Please see the Spring Calendar on the website.

Kind regards,  
Sarah Briggs

