



Golden Valley Primary School

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*'Sharing Kindness,
Challenging Ourselves and Others,
Achieving Excellence'*

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3rd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Pupil Leaders

I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting our Wellbeing Warriors and School Council representatives from Years 2 to 6 this week. Our Wellbeing Warriors have agreed the activities for Kindness week and have helped plan our NSPCC non-uniform day. Our school council have agreed that we will host 3 other fundraising days; Children In Need (November), Comic Relief (March) and we will look into a Christmas present charity for December.

Kindness Week

Having met with our new Wellbeing Warriors, I am delighted to share that we will be taking part in the NSPCC led Kindness week next week. This won't involve anything from you other than some generous donations for the local Foodbank on Wednesday morning for Harvest Festival (please drop donations on either playground for collection at 9am).

We'll be spending a week creating more kindness in our school community by working through a list of kindness activities in class and for homework.

We will also be hosting a fundraising non-uniform day on Friday 24th October for the NSPCC. We will send out a link nearer the time. The theme will be to wear something green (NSPCC colour) or dress as your hero!

Wellbeing

Many of you will have noticed the development of our outdoor activity area by the bike racks. A member of staff is currently being trained to deliver outdoor learning sessions that will promote physical and mental health. This will initially be 2 afternoons per class and some additional group activities at lunchtimes. We will let you know when they are timetabled after staff training has been completed.

Thanks to the GVSA for agreeing to fund the afternoon sessions.

Parent Governor Election

We are pleased to announce that following the recent ballot our two new parent governors are:

Celia Clement and Phil Collins

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Please remember to keep the school updated with any changes in relevant personal data (e.g. named contacts, telephone numbers etc.)

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Parents and Carers Evening

The booking system is now open for Parents' and Carers' Evenings on Thursday 9th and Tuesday 14th October and will close on Monday morning. It is our expectation for all of our families to book an appointment. If you have any questions please contact your child's class teacher or the school office.

Mrs Bennett and myself have really enjoyed dropping into lessons across the school and are so proud of how well our children are learning. My thanks to our dedicated staff team and to you for all you do to support the school.

Stormy weather ahead this weekend so enjoy dancing in the rain.

Yours sincerely



R Riordan | [Headteacher](#)

DIARY DATES

Please be aware that this list of dates is subject to change, and additional dates will be included when other events/activities have been finalised.

You can view the school calendar online; this contains planned dates for the whole school year: [School Calendar](#)

| October 2025 | |
|----------------|--|
| Mon 6 – Fri 10 | NSPCC Kindness Week |
| Tues 7 | Y6 Fieldwork trip (Y6 Fieldwork Letter) |
| Weds 8 | Harvest Festival (Harvest Appeal Letter) Y4 Multiskills Sports Trip (selected children) |
| Thurs 9 | Parents and Carers Evening (Parents Evening Letter) |
| Tues 14 | Parents and Carers Evening (Parents Evening Letter) |
| Weds 15 | Y5/6 Cross Country Sports Trip (selected children) |
| Thurs 16 | Tulip Photography (individual photos) Y4 Rivers Workshop (Y4 Rivers Workshop Letter) |
| Fri 17 | GVSA Uniform Sale |
| Mon 20 | Y1 trip to Nowhere Woods (Y1 Nowhere Woods Letter) |
| Tues 21 | Y5 trip to MShed (Y5 M Shed Trip Letter) |
| Weds 22 | Y2 Fieldwork trip (Y2 Local Trip Letter) |
| Thu 23 | Y3 trip to Cheddar Gorge (Y3 Cheddar Trip Letter) |
| Fri 24 | Non uniform day – NSPCC (wear green or dress as your superhero!) Last day of term |
| November 2025 | |
| Mon 3 | INSET Day |

Further details about most of the events will be given nearer the time where appropriate.