





Gooderstone Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a start to the academic year it has been! We have all had to adapt to a very new way of working over the last month and I want to say a huge thank you for supporting us as we navigate some very changeable waters. It is an uncertain time for all of us but our aim is to make school as consistent as possible to ensure all children are given time to learn and grow as once before.

We have always prided ourselves on having an open door policy, inviting you in whenever possible. It is very alien to all of us to be in a state of school shut down where we wave at you though the door in the morning and home time. You are all still a very important part of our community and we hope with the letters, phone calls, email, Facebook and website we are keeping you involved in school life as much as we possibly can. We ask that you treat information posted on social media/group texts with caution as it is not always factually accurate. It is always best to contact the school if you need any information on what is happening in school.

We look forward to the day we can open our doors once more and invite you in to share in your children's learning. Until that day we are going to have to think about things differently and Parents Evening is no exception. This year we will be offering you a Parents Consultation appointment via Zoom, the consultations will run the week beginning 2nd November. Shortly, you will be contacted by your child's class teacher over email to set up a mutually convenient time for your appointment to take place. The class teacher will then send you a link and code to access the meeting on the chosen time and date. As usual you will be sent a Point in Time Assessment (PITA) showing you where you children are in their learning at present. There will be a short video available on our website at the beginning of next week that will help to explain the PITA for those of you that are new to school.

As always we are here to support your child to make sure this year does not impact their development and learning for future years. It is important that we work together as a team to provide the best and get the best out of your child. As always, please contact us if you have any concerns about your child and their learning.

Best wishes,

Mrs Godbold.