

Dear Parents, children and families,

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed the half term break and are all keeping safe and well. We are officially on the countdown to Christmas (Yay!) - the weeks are flying by! It's definitely starting to feel like winter. As the weather is getting colder, please ensure you send your child to school with a coat and hat/scarf/gloves etc every day.



Safeguarding update - Parents please be aware

A report has been received about a website known as “**Omegle**”. Omegle is a website where a person can chat with a random stranger without any supervision. Please be cautious when your child is online. We have a number of useful links on our website that you may find useful. Please visit:

www.georgebettsprimaryacademy.com/keep-your-child-safe-online



Home Learning



During the current Covid-19 pandemic, we understand that pupil absence will be higher.

Any children that are isolating due to symptoms within their household, or due to their bubble closing, will be expected to complete work at home if they are well enough.

All children will have a paper work pack, as well as online learning lessons, to complete. You can also find lots of links on our website.

Your support is really appreciated!

Christmas at GB!

Although Christmas might look a little different this year, it certainly isn't cancelled at George Betts! We have been planning lots of exciting things - all Covid safe of course. We will send a separate letter home with more details soon! 😊

. As usual, children will finish a little earlier on the last day of term. **Children will need to be collected between 2pm & 2:30pm on Friday 18th December.**



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

In September, we introduced a staggered start to enable social distancing, but have noticed recently that it's becoming very congested at the school gates, particularly at 8:30am. Please remember, you can drop your child to school anytime between 8:30am and 9am. Please consider coming a bit later when it is quieter if possible. Thank you for your ongoing support.

School Uniform

It is really important that children wear the correct uniform and PE kit. Please see the guide on the right as a reminder if you are unsure.

If children repeatedly wear incorrect uniform, they will have to spend time in the reflection room, meaning they miss part of their break time. Thank you for your support.

Daily Uniform	PE Kit
Green Jumper/Cardigan 	Plain white T-shirt/Polo shirt 
White Shirt/Polo Shirt 	Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms (no logos or other colours). Plain black leggings worn under shorts only . 
Black or grey trousers 	Black pumps or black trainers (different to black trainers worn daily) 
Black or grey skirt 	No jewellery 
Green chequered dress or grey pinafore dress. 	
Head coverings Plain black or white hijab, patka or turban. No patterns or decoration. No accessories. 	
Plain black shoes or black trainers (no logos or other colours) 	
Stud earrings only (if ears are pierced). Inappropriate earrings will need to be removed. 	
No patterned or dyed hair. No inappropriate accessories. 	

If you **see** something, **say** something®

We are receiving increasing reports about incidents in the local area. Please remain vigilant and report anything you think is suspicious to the police.

- **Call 999 in an emergency (happening now and urgent assistance needed)**
- **Call 101 in a non-emergency (to report damage or pass on information)**
- **Or Live chat with an adviser from 8am to midnight on www.west-midlands.police.uk**
- **Call Crimestoppers anonymously and free on 0800 555 111**

Remember, remember to celebrate safely!

Bonfire night can be great fun for all the family but it is important that you celebrate safely. Organised displays aren't happening this year due to the pandemic, and the Fire Service are encouraging the public not to have fireworks at home. However you decide to celebrate, please stay safe!

Date

Event

Times

Wednesday 11th November

Remembrance Service (staff and pupils only)



Friday 13th November

Non-uniform day for all pupils who donate for the BBC Children in Need appeal

