

A Warm Welcome to Gomer Junior School

Monday 10 June 2019

2pm or 5pm



Learning today,
for the challenge of tomorrow.

The Gomer Team: 2019 - 2020

- Pupils
- Teachers
- Teaching Assistants
- Y3 parents and carers
- Y3 Teachers: Miss Barnes (soon to be Mrs Thursdon), Miss Chapman and Mrs Wheal
- The LAPs Team – Mrs Bottriell is the attached Learning Mentor
- Site Staff
- FROGJS
- Parent Partnership



Communication

- Open door policy
- Parent Teacher Consultation
- Mid Year and End of Year Report
- Fortnightly Gomer Community Coffee Morning with LAPS
- Parent Partnership
- Monthly Newsletter – to be e mailed & on website
- E mails
- Text system
- Website
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Gomer App



Gomer Office Information

- Contact telephone numbers: 023 92524312
- Absences
- Medicines
- Money in school – cash free wherever possible please
- School office opening hours: Mon – Thurs: 8 – 5 and Fri: 8 – 4.00pm
- Attendance



Key Start of Term Information

- First day back is Tuesday 3 September (INSET day on Monday 2 September)
- The playground is staffed from 8.40am
- 'In time' is 8.50 am. Teachers will greet the Y3 children on the playground where they will line up and then be escorted into school
- For the safety of the children, adults should access the school building from our reception door only
- The end of the day is 3.15pm. Children will vacate the school building from the side door and will come to the main playground.
- Children need to be made aware that if there is no one to collect them they must go straight to the school office.

Key School Dates

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2019

Monday 2 September – Friday 20 December (with 2 September 2019 as an INSET)

Half term: 28 October – 1 November

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6 January – Friday 3 April

Half term: 17 – 21 February

Summer Term 2020

Monday 20 April – Monday 20 July (with 20 July 2020 as an INSET)

Half term: 25-29 May

We will finish the 2019/2020 academic year on Friday 17 July

INSET

Monday 2 September (all GFM schools)

Monday 4 November

Friday 14 February

Friday 26 June

Monday 20 July (all GFM schools)

Celebrating Gomer's Learners

- Team Points
- Main Sail Text on a Friday – explained on next slide
- Golden Child – Golden Book
- Learning Power certificates for creativity, resilience, collaboration, independence and thinking
- Extra merits are awarded for outstanding learning
- Our learners may receive an award from Mrs Mulhall or Mr Potter
- Monthly newsletter – Go Gomer!



Behaviour Systems at Gomer

- The children are aware of the 'Gomer Standard'
- At Gomer Junior School we promote the values of responsibility and respect
- We expect all members of the school community to aspire to these values and are committed to celebrating success
- Working in partnership with parents and carers regarding children's behaviour, is recognised as a powerful tool
- We realise that some children may have particular behavioural needs which need strategies in addition to this policy
- Main Sail and Gib Sail explained...



Pupil Voice

- The School Council has elected members, two from each class. They aim to meet monthly. The council is an important body within the school enabling the pupils to have a voice. They also run the school tuck shop – 20p and 30p items available most days
- Gomer Reps including heads of School
- Sports Reps
- Librarians
- JRSOs
- Gomer Growers



Transition Dates and Opportunities

- Your children have already had the opportunity to visit us this year. We have organised a range of further opportunities for your child to spend more time with us. This will give them an opportunity to experience learning at Gomer and to meet their new class teacher. Transition opportunities include:
- **A tour of the school and Gomer Junior staff to visit Gomer Infant School:** Dates TBC by GIS

Nb For the two events below, your child needs to be accompanied by yourself or a nominated adult e.g. grandparent. Please make your way to the school hall via the school reception which is at the front of school.

- **Monday 1 July 3.25pm – 4.30pm:** Summer Sizzler - a reading and arts event
- **Wednesay 3 July 3.25pm – 4.30pm:** Summer Sport – a mini-sports event
- **Tuesday 9, Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 July:** Transition Days (children to register at Gomer Infant as normal on Tuesday 9. On Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 they are to line-up on the Junior playground. They will be eating with us everyday and a school packed lunch will be organised. Please collect your child from the junior school playground each day).
- Friday 12 July: **FREE** entry to FROGJS Disco, 4.15 – 5.15pm – pennies for tuck please

Summer Sizzler

- **Monday 1 July 3.25pm – 4.30pm:** Summer Sizzler - a reading and arts event
- Please enter Gomer Junior via the school hall (off the blue surfaced playground) where you and your child will be signed in
- Brief introduction to **READING** at Gomer
- Meet our librarian
- Library and book tour
- Book sharing: child and adult
- Mini-craft activity available
- A sizzling hot dog for your child. Please let us know if your child is a vegetarian.



Summer Sport

- **Wednesday 3 July 3.25pm – 4.30pm:** Summer Sport – a mini-sports event
- Please enter Gomer Junior via the school hall (off the blue surfaced playground) where you and your child will be signed in
- Children can attend wearing their school shoes – trainers recommended
- Working in teams children will participate in a carousel of activities to get to know our school grounds
- Squash, fruit and biscuits to end



Additional Information

- Drama Club production for Y2 took place in May
- Y3 Team to visit Y2 at the infant school
- Y2 to complete maths and literacy learning in their new junior books
- Summer Sizzler and Summer Sport
- Y6 Leavers Assembly
- Service Club – weekly at lunch and monthly after school



Gomer Uniform – Skoolkit is our provider

Winter Uniform checklist:

Royal blue jumper / cardigan (ideally with school logo – these jumpers can be purchased from the school office and represent good value for money)

White (no blue) polo type shirt with a collar or a white cotton shirt with a stiff collar

For boys: Grey or black trousers

For girls: Grey or black trousers, skirt or culottes and / or pinafore

Long or short white, grey or black socks

Sensible black or dark coloured shoes (no trainers other than for PE)

Sensible coat

Summer Uniform checklist:

Royal blue jumper / cardigan (ideally with school logo)

White (no blue) polo type shirt with a collar or a white cotton shirt with a stiff collar

For boys: Grey or black trousers or shorts

For girls: Grey or black trousers, shorts or culottes or **dark blue** gingham dresses or gingham blouse, skirt to be worn as a two piece or play-suits.

Long or short white, grey or black socks

Sensible black or dark coloured shoes (no trainers other than for PE) or sensible sandals

Light weight sensible coat

PE Kit:

Black shorts

Blue t shirt (logo t shirts available from SKOOLKIT – they have house colour on)

Socks (barefoot for indoor PE)

Trainers

Any suitable and sensible tracksuit for winter months

School bags:

Suitable PE bag, preferably drawstring – we do not have space for larger

Book bag and can be bought from the school office

This kit should be brought to school on Mondays and taken home on Fridays, for a wash, if necessary.



School Kit

We have limited storage space. Please help us to keep our school tidy and send your child to school with a named school book bag and a named drawstring bag for PE kit.

What to expect in the school book bag:

- A reading record book
- A Learning Log – although we maybe moving to e learning
- Library book
- Colour coded book

The children will be given a pencil when they join but they may bring their own. We aim for all children to be writing in pen by the end of Y4 and provide pens accordingly.

Water bottles are encouraged in school. It is the responsibility of each pupil to take them home at the end of the week, for a wash and return them on the Monday.

Musical Opportunities

We offer a range of musical opportunities at Gomer Junior School including:

- Whole class instrument learning
- School Choir
- Vocal Lessons
- Music productions
- Peripatetic music lessons
 - Flute
 - Drums
 - Piano
 - Guitar
 - Brass
- Rock Steady

