Guilden Morden CofE Primary Academy

Diocese of Ely multi-academy trust

Together we work to succeed and flourish, to live life in all its fullness. John 10:10

Our school community is centred on the friendship of Christ, rooted in love and respect,

enabling all to flourish. Through the courage given to us by the Holy Spirit we will be visible children of God

Weekly Bulletin

Autumn 1

WEEK 5 - Friday 3rd October 2025



This week's value is:

LOVE

Biblical Quote of the Week

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.

Love your neighbour as yourself.

Matthew 22: 37-39



Head's Update

Strengthening Our Christian Ethos

We started the week with Father Sam leading worship at Guilden, and we are pleased to announce that Father Sam will be supporting us with our Christian Values worship on Mondays every fortnight going forward. His regular presence will help us explore and embed our core Christian values throughout the school community.

We were also thrilled to welcome Fiona and members of St Mary's Church to restart our Faithful Followers club on Wednesday lunchtimes. It has been fantastic to see how the club has grown over time, with an increasing number of pupils taking part. The children's enthusiasm and engagement has been truly heartwarming. Thank you to Fiona and her team for their dedication and commitment in continuing to run the Faithful Followers' club. These partnerships with our local church community are vital in strengthening our Christian ethos at Guilden.

The support from Father Sam, Fiona, and church members resonates so well with our Christian vision of how "together we work to succeed and flourish, to live life in all its fullness" (John 10:10). We are grateful for the ongoing collaboration with St Mary's Church, which enriches our children's spiritual development and helps bring our school values to life in meaningful ways.

Attendance Matters

We know it can sometimes be difficult to decide whether your child is well enough to attend school. We want to support you in making the right decision, as every day in school counts towards your child's learning and development.

When to keep your child at home:

- If they have a high temperature of 38°C or above.
- If they have vomiting or diarrhoea (they should stay home until 48 hours after the last episode)
- If they have a contagious illness that requires them to be away from school
- If they are genuinely too unwell to participate in school activities

When your child can come to school:

- With minor colds or sniffles
- With a mild headache (that responds to pain relief)
- With a slight stomach ache that isn't accompanied by other symptoms
- After they've been well for the required period following illness

Why attendance is so important:

Regular attendance is crucial for your child's learning and development. We pay close attention to pupils' attendance and work with families to communicate our expectations clearly and support good attendance. Children being absent from school for prolonged periods and/or on repeat occasions can be detrimental for your child's learning journey, as it becomes increasingly difficult to catch up on the missed learning if absent for repeated or prolonged periods. We understand that children do get ill, but we want to work with you to ensure that absence is only when absolutely necessary. School is able to administer both prescribed and non prescribed medicine if required. Parents will need to fill out a medicine form from the office with details on dosages and time. Thank you for your continued support in helping your child achieve their full potential.

Enjoy your weekend.

<u>Attendance</u>

This week's attendance is:	93.40%
Overall attendance (this year) is:	94.0%



Sports Awards of the Week

Acorn: Florence

Pine: Aria

Oak: Ralph



Felix

Scarlett



Dance/Gymnastics Stars of the Week

Preschool: Benji

Acorn: Miller & Miller

Pine: /

Oak: Scarlett



LOVE			
Acorn	Pine	Oak	
Emmie	Gilbert	Auralia	

Reminders

Parents evening booking forms will open on Monday 6th October. Please see clipboards in reception foyer or email the office with your preferred time.

Flu Vaccinations – Wednesday 8th October

If you haven't done so, and still wish to, please consent to your child getting the flu vaccine using this link; https://bed.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/cambsandpeterborough Information leaflet attached.

Year 5 & 6 Bikeability

If your child is taking part and you have filled out and returned a form to the office, the course will take place from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th October. Please ensure children bring a road safe bike and helmet to school with them.

Break the Rule Day - Friday 17th October

Donate items to our PTFA Christmas hamper in exchange for breaking some school rules! Please see attached poster for details.

Diary Dates (2025-2026)

Oak

Open Day Tour 1:45pm - 3:00pm	
PTFA AGM Meeting	
Yr 5 & 6 Bikeability	
Break the Rules Day	
'Run for Fun' (in school)	
DEMAT INSET TRAINING DAY	
Half Term Holiday	
Autumn Term 2 begins	
Parents Consultations	
Odd Socks Day	
Antibulling week - 'Power of Good'	
Open Day Tour 9:45am – 11am	
Children in Need	
DEMAT Carol Concert – Oak Class	
Milton Country Park Run – KS2	
Save the Children – Christmas	
Jumper Day	
Santa Dash	
PTFA Christmas Pantomime Trip	
Autumn Term 2 ends at 1:45pm	

Autumn 1 Club List

We are delighted to be offering a selection of extracurricular clubs this term. There is a range of clubs on offer at lunchtimes this term and we will be adding to our offer throughout the year with clubs on after school. We thank our dedicated staff at Guilden, who give up their time voluntarily at lunchtimes or after school to give our pupils extra-curricular opportunities to flourish.

See what clubs we have on offer this term!

Day	Lunchtime		Afterschool
Monday	School Council Meeting Mrs Singh 12.30 – 1.00 Library/Oak Class		
Tuesday	Drama Club Lisa 12.30 – 1.15 Hall Need to book		
Wednesday	KS2 Faithful Followers Club Fiona Davis (St Mary's Church) 12.15 – 1.00 Den		
Thursday	Running Club Mrs Wright/Mrs Davies 12.45 – 1.15 Meet in Oak Class	Guitar Lessons Cambridge Music Service Starting at 12.45 Den Need to book	
Friday	Football Club Mrs Marchetti 12.45 – 1.15 Field		Tag Rugby Royston Football Club 3.15 – 4.15 Hall/Playground Need to book

PTFA Reminders

- AGM Meeting: Friday 10th October at 3:30pm. See separate poster for more information.

- 100 Club: https://forms.gle/mX8rvXdGuz245f9N7

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