



Germander Park, Southwood and Downs Barn Schools Newsletter April 2021

Monday—BANK HOLIDAY

Don't forget that Monday 3rd May
is a bank holiday, so there is no
school!!

School Uniform

Please remember that earrings, if worn, need to be small studs that don't stick out. No hoops please.

Also, on PE days, children should come to school in their PE kit. This should be a white tee-shirt with their school jumper and shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms. These should be black and completely plain with no logos, patterns, or other colours please.

COVID-19 Update

Thank you to all parents and carers for continuing to follow the National Covid restrictions. We know it's frustrating that things are still not back to normal, but if we continue to follow all the guidelines, that will help to keep our children and families as safe as possible. We just need to keep on continuing to be careful whilst the Government still has restrictions in place.

Don't forget to wear a mask on school grounds and please follow any guidance about self-isolating carefully.

Sports Days

This year, we will be hoping to have some parents and carers in school for Sports Day events. This will only be possible if the Government continues to lift restrictions and it won't be a whole school event, it will in be year groups, or bubbles, to keep us all safe.

Hopefully, if the weather is favourable, these will be our Sports Day dates this year:

Germander Park Sports Day: Tuesday 13th July

Southwood Sports Day: Wednesday 14th July

Downs Barn Sports Day: Thursday 15th July

GERMANDER PARK SCHOOL, DOWNS BARN SCHOOL and
SOUTHWOOD SCHOOLS'

NEXT SCHOOL YEAR'S

TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES (2021 to 2022)

	OPEN MORNING OF:	CLOSE AT END OF AFTERNOON SESSION ON:
AUTUMN TERM 2021	Thursday 2 September	Thursday 21 October
<i>Half term break</i>	<i>Friday 22 October</i>	<i>Friday 29 October</i>
	Monday 1 November	Friday 17 December
<i>Christmas break</i>	<i>Monday 20 December</i>	<i>Tuesday 4 January</i>
SPRING TERM 2022	Wednesday 5 January	Friday 18 February
<i>Half term break</i>	<i>Monday 21 February</i>	<i>Friday 25 February</i>
	Monday 28 February	Friday 8 April
<i>Easter break</i>	<i>Monday 11 April</i>	<i>Monday 25 April</i>
SUMMER TERM 2022	Tuesday 26 April	Friday 27 May
<i>Half term break</i>	<i>Monday 30 May</i>	<i>Friday 3 June</i>
	Monday 6 June	Wednesday 20 July

PLEASE NOTE:

In 2022 Easter falls as follows: Good Friday - 15 April and Easter Monday - 18 April

School will be closed on Monday 2 May 2022 for the Spring Bank Holiday.



Park safely
Park legally

Park considerately

... meaning fewer cars at
the school entrance

... making it safer for you
and your children.



Keeping all our children safe

Please park safely outside all the schools at the beginning and end of the day—to keep all our children and families safe.

Please remember:

- No parking on double yellow lines
- No parking so that paths are blocked and children can't use them safely
- No stopping in unsafe places to let younger children out—please find a safe place to park and walk your child safely to the school door

60-Second Vegtastic Lunchbox Hacks

Veg are a key part of a healthy diet but it can be a real struggle to get kids to eat enough of them. Adding an extra portion or two to their packed lunch will help to up their intake. Try these simple ideas to **veg-pack their lunchboxes** with limited faff.

The basic toolkit:

- 🍅 **Containers** (small and lidded for dips, leftovers and more)
- 🍅 **Cutlery** (if needed)
- 🍅 **Thermos** (any heat-retaining flask is great for soups, baked beans, leftovers, etc.)
- 🍅 **Bamboo kebab sticks** (optional, but helpful for making veggies more fun)



Top tip: Know your portions – a child's portion of veg is roughly 50g or what fits into a child's hand.



#LunchboxHacks

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