

Grateley Primary School

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A school where every child becomes a lifelong learner and realises their potential.

Keeping parents informed of the School's new events and important information

Friday 5th October 2018

Dear Parents,

The past two weeks have been a hive of excitement and learning here at school. The children are continuing to work hard and exemplify our values of Teamwork, Respect, Enthusiasm and Excellence. We have had a number of visitors looking around the school who have complimented the children on their behaviour and learning attitudes- well done children!

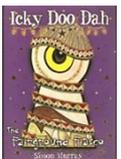
Adamson's Iron Age Day

On Tuesday 2nd October Adamson class became archaeologists for the day. Spending the morning at the Iron Age museum in Andover and the afternoon at Danebury Hill fort, the children explored what life would have been like during this time period. All of the children returned to school buzzing with excitement having had an amazing day.



Author Visit

On Tuesday 6th November we will be welcoming an author to come into school and inspire the children. The author's name is Simon Murray and he is an author and illustrator. He has written and illustrated the Icky Doo Dah Series as well as a number of other books. He will lead an assembly in the morning and then work with each class for a half hour session; leaving the school with some of his illustrations as well as a book for each class. Thank you to the PTA for their generosity, without them we wouldn't be having this exciting opportunity.



Congratulations to those children who have been awarded Grateley leaves for exemplifying our core learning values of:

Teamwork, Respect, Enthusiasm and Excellence:

Bear Class	Darwin Class	Adamson Class	Attenborough Class
Tilianna Kirby	Chloe Davies	Evie Bridges	Scarlett Cavill
Harry Adams	Milly Seal	Kenzi Lockey	Tom Swift
Amalie Corbett	Maddie Ayers	Amelia Smith	Eloise Weller
Benjamin Green	Izzy Capstick-Trembath	Jamie Gray	Ben Evans
	Nancy Doughty		Ella Seal
	Jude Butler		Archie Downes



Congratulations to those children who have received WOW certificates!



Bear Class	Darwin Class	Adamson Class	Attenborough Class
Benjamin Green	Fede Trisolino	Callie Mullaney	Emily Banfield
Thane Ghosh	Harley Lynn	Rosie Noble	Evan Kellers
		Sienna Kirby	
		Jacob Stewart	

Dates for your diary

Thursday 18th October: Stagecoach drama day at school, non-uniform and PTA School Disco
Friday 19th October: INSET day
Monday 22nd October-Friday 26th October: HALF TERM
Monday 29th October: Back to School
Tuesday 6th November: Simon Murray Author Visit 9-12pm
Tuesday 6th November: Parental consultations 4-6pm
Tuesday 13th November: Parental consultations 4-7pm
Wednesday 14th November: Parental consultations 4-6pm
Wednesday 14th November: PTA run Bags for School
Friday 23rd November: KS2 Life Saving Skills Workshop
Sunday 25th November: PTA Winter Fair
Thursday 13th December: KS1 Christmas Play at 2pm
Tuesday 18th December: 6pm KS2 Carol Service at St.Peters Church
Friday 21st December: School closes for Christmas

Current House points	
Cambridge	
	191
St.Andrews	
	130
Oxford	
	149



I have noticed that at the end of the school day, some children remain in the playground to play. Please be advised that once they are under your parental supervision, the school cannot accept any liability for accidents. Thank you for your support in this matter.



Due to a new bus company taking over the bus route to and from school, the children are arriving at school at 8:30am. To ensure their safety, myself or another member of staff wait on the playground with them until the doors open at 8:40am. Please wait with your child if you arrive before 8:40am. Thank you for your support in this matter.

School Matters!



Attendance:

It is vital that children attend school regularly. We at school monitor children's attendance weekly to ensure that they are attending. Our expectation is that the children achieve an attendance percentage of 96% or above (which is in line with Government expectations). Below are the weekly attendance percentages:

- Whole school: 98%**
- Bear Class: 100%**
- Darwin Class: 98%**
- Adamson Class: 97%**
- Attenborough Class: 95%**



Congratulations to:

Bear Class





On Friday 12th October the school council will be holding a coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please see the letter that the school council have written to tell you all about the event attached to this newsletter.

PE Kits

Please ensure that your child/children have their PE kit in school every week. The children participate in two PE lessons a week and so need to have the appropriate clothing to enable them to take part.

Thank you for your support in this matter.



And finally, a huge **Thank You to Mr Edds** for printing out a high quality image of our Library Mural that we decided to paint over to tie in with our new school library. It will now be framed and put on the library wall for the children to continue to enjoy.

Kindest regards,

Mrs R Dance
Head teacher

[Safeguarding Children at Grateley Primary School](http://www.hampshiresafeguardingchildrenboard.org.uk/professionals/)
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Grateley Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.. This means that we have a Child Protection Policy and procedures in place which we refer to in our prospectus. All staff, including supply staff, volunteers and governors, must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the Policy on request. Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:
Mrs R Dance – Head Teacher
Miss D Knights – Class Teacher

Safeguarding Governor is:
Mrs Sarah Jarman

Our Chair of Governors is:
Mrs Amelia Bridges

If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads as soon as possible on the same day.

DO NOT conduct your own investigation.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that he/she is unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to the head teacher in confidence. If the concern relates to the Head Teacher you contact the Local Authority Designated Officers, LADO, on 01962 876364, who will consider what action to take.

Dear Grateley parents and guardians



The Grateley school council are hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday October 12th at 8:30-9:30 in the school hall. Children can bring in donations of 50p-£1 all donations made will be going to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Donations of cakes, biscuits and yummy treats can be given to the Office during the week commencing October 8th.



Thank you for all your support

School Council