

# Grateley Primary School

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*"Respect ~ Friendship ~ Peace"*

**Resilience, Resourcefulness, Reflectiveness, Relationships.**

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

7<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Dear Parents,

## 1. Leadership and management

A word from the governors. "We are interviewing two candidates for the role of Head teacher this week and we will inform you of the outcome.

Please join us on a Ground force day to tidy up the school garden. We are meeting at 9am till 12.00noon on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April (no joke!) please bring your own gardening tools – morning refreshments and cakes will be available! Looking forward to seeing you there! " Amelia Bridges School Governor

We warmly welcome back from maternity leave, Mrs Charlotte Neilson. Mrs Neilson will be working throughout the school, during the mornings and some afternoons, supporting certain children with their learning. Also Mrs Woodhead will be returning in April to take the Yr R class with Mrs Tunnicliffe. We congratulate Mrs Shelley Kellers for joining our team as our new Administrative Assistant / Lunch time supervisor and look forward to working with her. We will very sadly be saying goodbye to our wonderful Miss Copeland on 7.4.17, the last day of the spring term. This will be an exceptionally sad time for us all as she has been most magnificent and such an inspirational teacher and colleague to us all. More details will follow of staff updates.

Please inform us of a change of your financial circumstances as this can affect government funding called 'Pupil Premium' which we receive for the school. If you are on a limited supported income now, please do let us know as there are areas in which we can offer specific support through Pupil Premium funding. Thank you.

## 2. Teaching and Learning – this continues to be very good indeed! Please find this term's class curriculum newsletters uploaded on our website.

### **Well done to our stars of recent weeks!**

Grace Burford, Joseph Faulkes, Abigail Pinnock, Poppy Evans, Ethan Standfield, Tomasz Blazko, Millie Grimditch, Bo Kennedy, Archie Croft, Izzy Chapstick-Trembath, Bobby Thorne, Ben Shaw, Emily Banfield, Kallan Vale, Chloe Davies, Jamie Gray, Mia Radcliffe, Luca Trisolino, Annoure Faulkes, Evan Kellers, Amelia Hopson, Ben Hatcher, Tegan Forrest Talbort, Dawson Watts, Betsy Heath, Evie Lockey .



We all had a wonderful **World Book Day** on 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Almost every child dressed up and we had lots of fun. Much discussion was had about who was dressed as who (or what!) and everyone had fun! Thank you for your tremendous support with the costumes! The children looked amazing.

We photographed all the children, so please ask us if you would like one; a whole school or as part of their year group. The photographs of the day are on our website and I sent them to the Andover Advertiser; however the photographs of children who are not permitted to be on the website/press remain safe on our school camera.



Adamson Class began **swimming this week**. They all had a wonderful time and came back invigorated and were highly commended for their amazing behaviour. Well Done Adamson Class.



Class newsletters for this half term are available to view on the website under the relevant class page. We are no longer sending out paper copies of these newsletters.

**Parents' evenings** – a chance for you to meet your child's teacher and discuss their progress and learning behaviours. These will take place during the week beginning Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 (please see the table below for more details on the availability of the teachers) – we will inform you when the "sign up" sheets are available for you to fill in your date and time preferences ; these will be in the playground nearer the time. Please also call the office and we will put times on the sheets for you.

	Day 1	Day 2
Mrs Bailey – Year 5/6	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:30pm – 7:30pm	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:00pm – 6:30pm
Mrs Allonby – Year 3/4	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 3:50pm – 7:30pm	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 3:50pm – 6:50pm
Miss Knights – Year 1/2	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:30pm – 7:30pm	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:00pm – 6:30pm
Miss Copeland – Year R	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:20pm – 7:00pm	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – 4:20pm – 7:00pm

### 3. **Behaviour- well-being and safety**

Please see the **updated Emergency Contact details sheet (and envelope)**, in your child's book bag, that we require you to complete and return to the office.

Please ensure that your child/children have trainers, which fit, in school for PE as some children are wearing school shoes, which is not practical or safe when they are running around in sports sessions.

A polite reminder PLEASE DO NOT PARK outside the front of the school, particularly opposite the old shop as this is **restricting access for emergency service vehicles** going up and down the High Street. There is parking available at The Plough pub both in the morning and after school. Thank you for your co-operation, this ensures everyone remains safe.

#### 4. **Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education**

Key Stage 2 have been practicing songs in readiness for the 'Giant Sing Experience' scheduled in The Anvil in Basingstoke on Tuesday 14.3.17. The school is paying for the coach to transport all KS2 children to attend this special Hampshire Music organised event, where our children will sing rehearsed songs to do with the Happy Prince by Oscar Wilde alongside other Hampshire schools. This will be an inspirational experience for all our children. Please see the school office if you would be available to help with this trip.

#### New Golden time clubs

These are Sports, Construction, Art and Film clubs.

5. **Overall effectiveness** – School is doing really well at the moment. We have many tighter systems in place and the whole school continues to grow from strength to strength.

*Thought for the week - 'Just keep swimming!!!' Dory! (Ellen DeGeneres!)*

Kind regards,

**Trudie Cawthra**

**Acting Head teacher**

"Be kind to one another"

#### **Safeguarding Children at Grateley Primary School**

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 T Cawthra – Head Teacher

Miss D Knights – Class Teacher

#### **Safeguarding Governor is:**

Mrs Sarah Jarman

#### **Our Chair of Governors is:**

Mrs Lorna Ward

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.

Dates for your diary – Stick this sheet on your fridge! ☺

<p>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March – KS2 Giant Sing at the Anvil in Basingstoke</p>	
<p>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Helping your child read well! Mrs Cawthra 7pm - 8pm</p>	
<p>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017 Amazing Science Day in school – more details will follow</p> <p><b>HELPERS PARENTS NEEDED TODAY PLEASE</b></p>	
<p>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Yr 3 / 4 Roman Day – all day</p> <p>Radicalisation/Prevent duty/Exploitation/ Safety training with Mrs Cawthra 7pm-8pm</p>	 
<p>RED NOSE DAY on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 Wear your red nose with pride!</p>	
<p>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 2.30pm to 3.00pm - Mothers' Day 'tea and biscuits' Listen to the children singing 3.00pm to 3.30pm, both in our school hall</p>	
<p>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Yr 6 open discussion evening with Miss Bailey, Mr Holmes and Mrs Cawthra on the theme of “Growing up” Yr 6 only.</p>	
<p>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 (week beginning) Parents' evenings</p>	
<p>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Dance Performance – Year 3 / 4 - Details to follow</p>	
<p>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April – After school Dance Show – Details to follow</p>	
<p>10<sup>th</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Holidays</p>	
<p>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Bank Holiday</p>	
<p>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – INSET Day school closed for children</p>	
<p>29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Half Term</p>	
<p>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June – School Photographer – Class photos 1pm</p>	
<p>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Special last day for Children. Leavers' Service in church AM and Picnic at Danebury Ring PM</p> <p>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July - INSET Day school closed for children</p>	
<p>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Summer holidays begin</p>	