



**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 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a wonderful half term. We have had a great start to the second half of the autumn term. The children have returned to school highly motivated and enthusiastic to learn. We have lots of exciting events and experiences coming up over the next 7 weeks, so please access our website and school calendar to find out more.



**Hockey Tournament**

A team from Key Stage 2 attended a hockey tournament at John Hanson yesterday afternoon. The children were exemplary, exemplifying our Grateley values; working well as a team and showing excellent sportsmanship to all of the teams involved. Congratulations to: Florence, Mia, Logan, Tom, Lucy, Oliver, Luca, Evan and Archie for a fantastic afternoon.



**Congratulations to those children awarded Grateley leaves for exemplifying our core learning values of:**



***Teamwork, Respect, Enthusiasm and Excellence:***

| Bear Class | Darwin Class | Adamson Class | Attenborough Class |
|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Marcos     | Tilianna     | Izzy          | Lexi               |
| Lara       | Nancy        | Angus         | Evan K             |
| Isla       | Ethan        | Lexi          | Eloise             |
|            | Zak          | Sienna        | Isaac              |
|            | Rose         |               |                    |
|            | Rebecca      |               |                    |
|            | Charlotte    |               |                    |



**Congratulations to those children who have received WOW certificates**



| Bear Class | Darwin Class | Adamson Class | Attenborough Class |
|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Samuel     | Rebecca      | Florence      | Archie             |
| Thomas     | Issy         | Jude          | Logan              |



**Please can all children come into school everyday with a coat. Whilst we always have our fingers crossed for a warm dry day, the weather does not always listen; particularly in this colder season!**

## Dates for your diary

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| <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 4-5pm:</b> Reading and Phonics parent session      |
| <b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Darwin to Andover Museum (morning)         |
| <b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Flu Immunisations (afternoon)              |
| <b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November:</b> PTA meeting at The Plough 7:30pm            |
| <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Explorer Dome Planetarium in school           |
| <b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Children in Need – Space / Pudsey themed      |
| <b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 6:30-7:30pm:</b> Maths Parent session             |
| <b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Parental consultations 4-7pm                 |
| <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November:</b> Parental consultations 4-6:15pm            |
| <b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December:</b> PTA Christmas Fair 1-4pm                       |
| <b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December:</b> Parental consultations 4-7pm                  |
| <b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:</b> Cinderella Pantomime (in school)             |
| <b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December:</b> Bear and Darwin Nativity to parents (2:30pm) |
| <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December:</b> KS2 Carol Service, St Peters Church (6pm)   |
| <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December:</b> School Closes for Christmas                   |
| <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January:</b> INSET day                                       |
| <b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January:</b> School opens for the Spring term               |

## Current House points

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| <b>Cambridge</b>  |        |
|  | 2, 535 |
| <b>St. Andrews</b>  |        |
|  | 1, 715 |
| <b>Oxford</b>   |        |
|  | 1, 810 |

### 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 97% or above (which is in line with Government expectations).

Below are the weekly attendance percentages:

**Whole school:** 98%

**Bear Class:** 98%

**Darwin Class:** 98%

**Adamson Class:** 99%

**Attenborough Class:** 99%



*Congratulations to*



*Adamson Class*

## Grateley PTA

This year the PTA are going to be focusing their extraordinary fundraising talents on purchasing tablets to be used across the school as well as supporting the ongoing improvements to the EYFS learning environment.

A new approach this year has been to allocate a large sum of money to each class enabling them to access enriched learning experiences in and out of the school. These will be showcased in the half-termly PTA newsletter coming out on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend!

Kindest regards,

**Mrs R Dance**

**Head teacher**



### Chance to Shine Cricket

Starting today, we are fortunate to be welcoming Charlie King, a cricket coach from Chance to Shine Cricket into school every Friday for the next 7 weeks. He will be coaching Darwin, Adamson and Attenborough every week to develop their batting, fielding and bowling skills. He came into school yesterday and led an inspiring assembly to get the Grateley Cricket season started! We are all looking forward to working with him.

[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 Victoria Rutherford*

*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.*

