

# 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 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you all safe and well.

**THANK  
YOU!**

A HUGE thank you to the PTA and all of you who helped to put together the message board from the children, I have to say it brought a tear to my eye. I can assure you that all of the staff team felt really appreciative of your kind thought; it really lifted our spirits.

## **Phased re-opening of the school on 1<sup>st</sup> June**

I am still awaiting government confirmation regarding if our school will re-open on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. However, I have been putting plans together in the eventuality that it does. I have written a Parent Booklet that hopefully communicates all of the relevant information that you require. This document was sent out to all parents yesterday via Parent Mail. I have included the school's risk assessment and resilience plan as I want you to have as much information as possible, in my opinion too much information is better than not enough. I have also sent out a Frequently Asked Questions document, to hopefully answer any questions that you may have.

If you do have any further questions once you have read and digested all of the information contained in the documents, then please feel free to contact me via the admin office e-mail. It may be half term, but I will still be working, finalising preparations for the potential re-opening on the 1<sup>st</sup> June.

## **Interested in Supporting the School Leadership Team?**

The Governing Body are recruiting a new Parent Governor from September 2020. If you are interested in this voluntary role that supports the leadership and management of the school, please pass your email address to the School Office and I'll get in touch to tell you more. Governance is a really important role to ensure the ongoing success of the school and volunteers are very much appreciated.



We are also recruiting a parent who is a serving member of the Armed Forces to an Associate Governor role from September 2020. The responsibilities are less onerous than a full governor member, but given the demographics of our school, it's particularly important that we have access to current policy

and guidance affecting to our military families. If you would like more information, please pass your email address to the School Office and I will get in touch.

More information on being a school governor in Hampshire is at: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/governors/volunteer>

Amelia Bridges, Chair of Governors

### **Staff Recruitment**

I am pleased to announce that we have successfully recruited Mrs Samantha Owen to join the Grateley teaching team for a year. Mrs Owen, has recently successfully carried out teacher training following many years of working in schools as a teaching assistant. I am sure that you will join me in welcoming her to the Grateley team. After half term, I will communicate the organisation of teachers within our existing class structure.

### **Key Worker Provision**



In the event that schools **do not** open to vulnerable children, children of critical workers, YR, Y1 and Y6, we will continue to provide school provision at Wallop Primary School.



**If you are a key worker and require this provision please e-mail the adminoffice by 1pm every Friday letting us know which days that you require.**

Due to next week being half term, there will be no home learning set for next week (25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> May). Home learning will resume on 1<sup>st</sup> June.

**Thank you for your continued support. Have a great bank holiday weekend and half term.**

**Take care and stay safe.**

Kindest Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Rachel Dance'.

**Rachel Dance**  
(Head teacher)

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

<http://www.hampshiresafeguardingchildrenboard.org.uk/professionals/>

**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 Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy with 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.**