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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*



Grateley News



Friday 29th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week here at school with the children fully engaged with their learning. Walking around school and into lessons it is wonderful how focussed the children are and at break and lunch time how they show respect to their friends and the adults.

Cross Country

Some of our KS2 children represented our school in a cross-country competition held at Harrow Way School. They showed excellent teamwork, enthusiasm and determination and have made us all very proud. Well done team Grateley!!

Year R 2024

We have several dates for parents to come and view the school if you have a child looking to start in September 2024. Many parents are already booked in so if you would like to book a space, or know of someone that would be interested in a place, then please pass the message on. You can book by phoning or emailing the admin office. The current dates and times are:

1/11/23 - 9:30am

16/11/23 - 1:45pm

17/11/23 - 10:30am

School Census Lunch

The number of Yr R, Yr 1 and Yr 2 children who take a school lunch on Census day directly affects our school funding. It is for this reason that we would strongly encourage all those children to choose a school lunch next Thursday, 5th October. These lunches are free of charge for EY and KS1. Our cooks have kindly altered the menus for next Wednesday and Thursday so that the children have their favourite options on Thursday, which is Census day! All other menus remain unchanged.











Wednesday 4th October: Red – Roast beef, roast pots, Yorkshire pudding Green – Quorn chicken pieces, roast pots, Yorkshire pudding

Thursday 5th October – **Census day!** – Please choose a school lunch! Red – chicken nuggets, chips and veg Green – pizza, chips and veg Blue – ham sandwich, carrot sticks, crackers, fruit Yellow – Jacket potato with chicken mayo Pudding – chocolate muffins

Christmas Pantomime

Yes it is getting closer to Christmas already, only 87 days to go!! We are very excited to say we have booked the whole school to visit the Theatre Royal, Winchester, to see the pantomime Cinderella on the 5th December (the date is in the parent's calendar)! This exciting trip will be mostly funded by the PTA, with us asking parents for a small contribution of £5 per child towards the cost. Details and permission slips will be going out nearer the time.

Safeguarding

Online safety is very important. I want to share two links with you, one is a link to interactive games for 4-7 year olds that help children develop the skills and knowledge they need to help them stay safe online. The other is a fun interactive game for 8-10 year olds that helps them learn how to stay safer from risks they might encounter online. Below are the links to the games, as well as links to further information about the games for parents.

4 - 7 Online Safety Games

8 - 10 Band Runner Game

Parents' Information - Online Safety Games

Parents' Information - Band Runner

Free School Meals

If you want to find out if you are eligible for free school meals then please apply via the link below for an instant decision. <u>Free school meals</u>



<u>Congratulations to all of the children for exemplifying our core values of:</u> <u>Teamwork, Respect, Enthusiasm and Excellence this week.</u>



This week we all have demonstrated our core-learning values by:

Teamwork: communicating well with each other so that everyone can be successful.

Respect: making sure that everyone is okay - looking after people if they appear upset.

Enthusiasm: starting the day with a smile and persevering throughout the day.

Excellence: trying their best in whatever they do.

Well done team Grateley!



Congratulations to all the children for their hard work this week



Bear Class	Darwin Class	Adamson Class	Attenborough Class
This week, Bear class	This week, Darwin class	This week, Adamson	This week, Attenborough
have talked about	have been publishing their	class have been	class have created and
keeping healthy and	writing in their best	measuring in millimetres,	performed dances in the
created 'fruit faces'.	handwriting.	centimetres and metres.	style of cartoons.
Well done, this week you have been healthy heroes!	Well done, this week you have been amazing authors!	Well done, this week you have been magnificent mathematicians!	Well done, this week you have been dazzling dancers!

Current House Points				
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge		
2,907	2,891	2,716		



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone. Across the school, **8,514 dojo points** have been awarded so far this year!

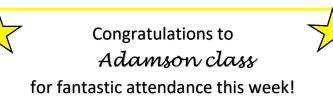
Go Team Dojo!



Attendance:

It is vital that children attend school regularly. We monitor children's attendance weekly to ensure that we are supporting all our families and children, enabling them to attend school. Our expectation is that the children achieve an attendance percentage of 97% or above (which is above the Government expectation of 96%).

Current attendance percentages are: Whole school for the year: 97% Whole school for the week: 97% Bear Class: 97% Darwin Class: 95% Adamson Class: 100 % Attenborough Class: 97%





Thursday 5 th October	Photographer – individual photos		
Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th October	Autumn Half Term		
Monday 6 th November	Flu Vaccinations – whole school		
Monday 13 th November	Inset Day		
Tuesday 5 th December	Christmas Pantomime – whole school		
Monday 18 th December – Monday 2 nd January 2024	Christmas Holiday		

All dates are available on our website and on the google calendar link: Parents Calendar

As always, if you have any questions regarding the information in this week's newsletter, please contact the office team on <u>adminoffice@grateley.hants.sch.uk</u>

INSET DAYS 2023-24			
Inset Day 1	Friday 1 st September 2023		
Inset Day 2	Monday 13 th November		
	2023		
Inset Day 3	Friday 9 th February 2024		
Inset Day 4	Monday 15 th April 2024		
Inset Day 5	Monday 3 rd June 2024		

Important Dated

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

Amplia Norman

<u>Mrs A Norman</u> Acting Headteacher

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 Child Protection and Safeguarding 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 A Norman – Acting 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.