

Grateley Primary School

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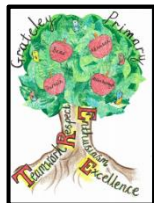
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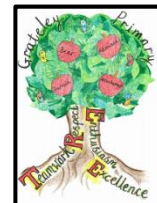


A school where every child becomes a lifelong learner and realises their potential.

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



Grateley News



Friday 5th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a New Year. We all hope you had a lovely Christmas and break with your families. The children have come back to school full of smiles and telling us all about their presents and magical experiences over the festive period.

Armed Forces

This week I held a military families' discussion meeting to share what our service premium money is being spent on and to gather ideas on how we, as a school, can further improve to develop our support for the armed forces children and their families. The meeting was very valuable and I really appreciate the time that was given up to come and join in with the discussion, so thank you to all that joined us and those that emailed in with contributions as they couldn't make it. I will be collating everything that was discussed and actioning many of the points this term. Our 'Armed Forces Club' (club name tbc) started today and will run weekly going forward. The children are very excited about this.

Gym Club

We have a new gymnastics club starting next week after school with Sue White, which will be great for the children. We will send out information about any future clubs, if your child is interested. We also have our Breakfast Club and After School Club – further details are on the website or speak to the front office.

Football Club

It is hoped to re-start football club next Wednesday after school. If your child is interested, then please contact Jason Holmes on email Jason.sportscoach@gmail.com or call him direct 07814 957181 to secure registration.

Volunteers

Thank you to our community, parent and governor volunteers who have all started back reading and working with the children this week. Your help makes such a difference and is very much appreciated.



Yr R applications for September 2024

The national closing date for Yr R applications to start next September is Monday 15th January 2024.

For more information, please go to www.hants.gov.uk/admissions.



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



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




Teamwork: Supporting each other emotionally through the first week back, both in and out of the classroom.

Respect: Being respectful to volunteers in our school.

Enthusiasm: Everyone has shown a lot of enthusiasm learning.

Excellence: Getting straight back in to work after the Christmas holidays.

Well done team Grateley!

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
		
11,554	12,432	11,714



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone.
Across the school **47,254 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: 96%

Whole school for the week: 87%

Bear Class: 82%

Darwin Class: 96%

Adamson Class: 87%

Attenborough Class: 80%



Congratulations to
Darwin class
for fantastic attendance this week!





Monday 8th January 2024 onwards	Gym Club starts 3.30-4.30pm
Friday 9th February 2024	INSET Day
Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024	Half Term
Thursday 7th March 2024	World Book Day – details tbc
Thursday 28th March 2024	Last day of term
Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024	Easter Holidays
Monday 15th April 2024	INSET Day



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 adminoffice@grateley.hants.sch.uk

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

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

Amelia Norman

Mrs A Norman
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.