

Grateley Primary School

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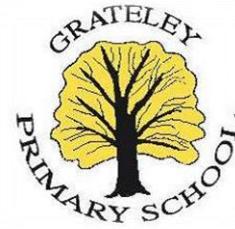
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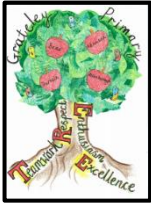
website: [www.grateley.hants.sch.uk](http://www.grateley.hants.sch.uk)

Acting Head Teacher: Mrs A Norman

Admin Officer: Mrs S. Kitching



**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 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

I hope you have had a lovely week and managed to keep warm in this icy weather. The children have really enjoyed the ice, particularly with the playground surface becoming the perfect surface for 'sledging'. Children in both KS1 and KS2 have been very creative this week using the skipping ropes and balance boards to create their own sledges, taking turns to pull each other around the playground at break time. It has been excellent seeing the discussions on rope length, the knots used, how fast or slowly they pull, the directions they move and all whilst they have massive smiles on their faces.

We have been asked by 'Natural Grateley' for the children of Grateley Primary School to draw some images of butterflies, plants, birds and other wildlife. These designs are being put together as a portfolio and given to a local ironmonger to design some metal art work that will be put on the platform at Grateley train station. The children have been working hard on their designs this week and are really excited about this project.

### **360 degrees After School Care**

Our afterschool care is very popular and offers children a variety of sporting activities. The after school care is split into two, one hour sessions. The first hour is usually a sporting activity outside and the second hour a mixture of activities sometimes inside and sometimes outside. At this time of year, due to it being dark after 4:30pm the second hour is inside. Please find below the timetable for our after school care this term. If you would like to sign up then please use this [link](#):

**Monday** - Football and Multi-Activity (wraparound care)

**Tuesday** - Dodgeball, Benchball and Multi-Activity (wraparound care)

**Wednesday** - Fun and Games and Multi-Activity (wraparound care)

**Thursday** - Hockey and Multi-Activity (wraparound care)

**Friday** - Basketball/Netball and Multi-Activity (wraparound care)



If your child is interested in joining Football Club on a Wednesday afternoon after school, then please contact Jason Holmes on email [Jason.sportscoach@gmail.com](mailto:Jason.sportscoach@gmail.com) or call him direct 07814 957181 to secure registration.

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Younger children need different advice and guidance from older children regarding internet safety. Older children need different advice and guidance from teens. On these pages there is some age-related advice and guidance for parents and carers:

6 - 10 year olds - <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/>

11 - 13 year olds - <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/11-13/>

14 plus - <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/14plus/>



**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:** working together on the playground.

**Respect:** treating our equipment with respect - using it safely and carefully.

**Enthusiasm:** greeting everyone with a smile and sharing their ideas.

**Excellence:** exemplifying excellent learning behaviours across the week.

*Well done team Grateley!*

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
		
14,080	15,335	14,312



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone.  
Across the school **43,727 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%

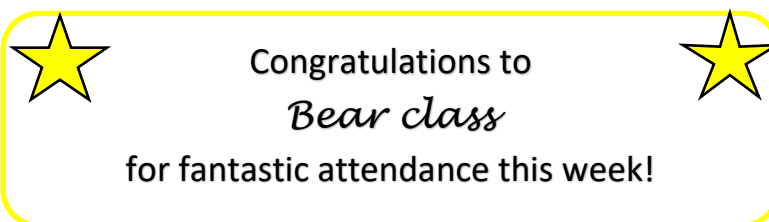
**Whole school for the week:** 95%

**Bear Class:** 98%

**Darwin Class:** 97%

**Adamson Class:** 95%

**Attenborough Class:** 91%



<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January – 1-3 PM</b>	Cross Country Event – Charlton Field Some Yr 3, 4, 5 and 6 children
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> -Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Mental Health Week Class activities
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	INSET Day
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Half Term
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Author visit – M.P. Robertson Whole school
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day – details tbc
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Last day of term
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Holidays
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	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](mailto:adminoffice@grateley.hants.sch.uk)

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

*Amelia Norman*

**Mrs A Norman**  
**Acting Headteacher**

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

**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.*