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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 26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to let you know that this week several enrichment days and activities have been confirmed, including a visit from an author, circus skills and a KS2 trip. We are in the process of trying to book further activities and visits for the children; more information will follow.

Armed Forces Families

We have a high number of service children in school now (40%). This term we have started a club and further pastoral support for these children, using the service premium money we receive. The children have named the club 'Camo club' and have a dedicated display board in the reception area, which has pictures and activities the children complete displayed on it. This is run by two Teaching Assistants, one of whom is a previously trained ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant), and is working in conjunction with our current ELSA, Mrs Heaps, to offer pastoral support specifically for our armed forces children. This means that Mrs Heaps will have more time to help support all children across the school as is needed. Further ELSA training is booked to ensure we can give the best emotional support to all our children. We ask that service parents who have a parent deploying for a long time or a parent going away for a week or two please let the front office know, either by email or in person, so this information is passed on to the class teacher and therefore support can be put in place as needed.

Safeguarding

I have mentioned this previously and as Roblox still remains one of the most popular games out there I think it continues to be relevant. Roblox and SWGfL have collaborated together and created a checklist for parents which includes:

- How to report abuse.
- How to block users.
- Setting up a parent control pin.
- And more.













<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: working hard in class and on the playground to achieve our goals.

Respect: sensibly working in class and using our manners.

Enthusiasm: having a go at new challenges.

Excellence: putting in 100% effort to try our best.

Well done team Grateley!

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
15,431	16,652	15,364



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone.

Across the school **47,447 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: 96%

Bear Class: 96%
Darwin Class: 96%
Adamson Class: 100%
Attenborough Class: 89%



Congratulations to

Adamson class

for fantastic attendance this week!





Wednesday 31 st January – 1-3 PM	Cross Country Event – Charlton Field	
	Some Yr 3, 4, 5 and 6 children	
Monday 5 th -Thursday 8 th February	Mental Health Week	
	Class activities	
Friday 9 th February	INSET Day	
Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February	Half Term	
Tuesday 27 th February	Author visit – M.P. Robertson	
	Whole school	
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – details tbc	
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term	
Friday 29 th March – Friday 12 th April	Easter Holidays	
Monday 15 th April	INSET Day	
Monday April 22 nd – Monday 17 th	Swimming Lessons - Andover Leisure Centre	
June	Years 5 and 6	
Monday 20 th May	Portsmouth Historic Dockyard KS2	
Monday 24 th June	Shooting Stars - circus skills	



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

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kindest regards,

Amelia Norman

Mrs A Norman

Acting Headteacher

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	

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.