

Grateley Primary School

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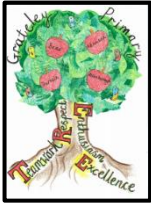
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A school where every child becomes a lifelong learner and realises their potential.  
*Keeping parents informed of the School's new events and important information*



## Grateley News



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a very creative few weeks now, with the Go Draw competition, learning how to draw the dragon last week and this week our magnificent Art workshops. The children are all excitedly talking about it and some have been able to finish their pictures today ready to enter into the competition next week. The staff and children would like to extend their huge thanks to Mrs Newton, a parent and local artist, who kindly spent Tuesday in school inspiring and helping the children with their art work. They all had a wonderful time!

Simon Duffield, who has been involved in the art development of Grateley station, asked our children to draw some images of local wildlife which could be used for designs by the Conservation group. They are thrilled with the results and have posted the pictures the children created on the Natural Grateley facebook page. [\(\(1\) Facebook](#). Please note that all names have been removed but the children may wish to look to see if they can spot their own pictures!

Finally, thank you to all the parents and carers that have been in for parents' evening over the last few weeks, to celebrate your child/ren's work and achievements. If you have been unable to make an appointment and would still like to speak to your child's class teacher please contact the admin office to organise a convenient time.



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

We are collecting online for Red Nose Day this year and we have so far raised **£241**. Please use the following link if you would still like to donate - [here](#). It has been lovely seeing all the different and unique outfits the children have been wearing today, as well as hearing their jokes!



Wellbeing Club have also been celebrating **Red Nose Day** with pictures, jokes and red noses!




**Eco-Council**


Please remember we have an ink-cartridge recycling bin in reception – please recycle all ink cartridges to protect our environment and raise money for the school.

**Safeguarding**

Self-Harm is a significant issue among young people. The causes behind self-harm can come from many places, sometimes it's a reaction to difficult emotions. In other cases it can be related to poor self-worth and self-confidence. In any case it is not only a traumatic practice for many, it is also physically perilous. Attempts at self-harm can sadly result in unforeseen injuries that may take years to heal, and produce life-long mental and bodily scars. To find out more about self-harm and how to deal with it in education, please click [here](#).






**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 to create our artistic masterpieces.
- Respect:** showing our Artist visitor the Grateley way.
- Enthusiasm:** engaging in Art with excitement and motivation.
- Excellence:** persevering with the Art even if it did not go as we expected!

*Well done team Grateley!*

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
		
23,278	24,667	21,958



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone.  
Across the school, **69,903 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:** 94%

**Darwin Class:** 97%

**Adamson Class:** 91%

**Attenborough Class:** 97%




Congratulations to

***Darwin and Attenborough Classes***

for fantastic attendance this week!



Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	 Please donate <a href="#">here</a>
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET Day
Monday April 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming Lessons - Andover Leisure Centre Years 3 and 4
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Portsmouth Historic Dockyard KS2
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Bear Class trip to Quarley Farm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Shooting Stars - circus skills
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day of term



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,



**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.*