

Grateley Primary School

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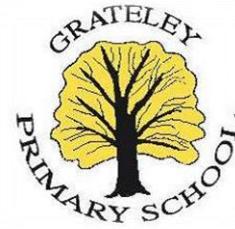
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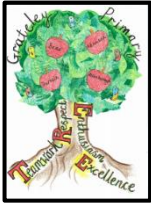
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Acting Head Teacher: Mrs A Norman

Senior 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**



Grateley News



Friday 19th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term! We hope you all had a lovely Easter and managed to spend some quality time with your families. The children have been working hard this week and have been introduced to their new topics. The class newsletters are on the website on each class page so please have a look. We started the week with an assembly exploring the meaning of friendship and linking it to key values. I have been out on the playground seeing excellent sharing, respect, kindness and considerate behaviour, which is great.

I have a staffing update. Firstly, I am excited to tell you that Miss Stanley is now Mrs Elsey after getting married over the Easter holidays. Congratulations Mrs Elsey!! Secondly, Mrs Woodhead is back from maternity and is teaching in Year 3/4 with Mrs Sanders. Welcome back Mrs Woodhead!! Thirdly, Mrs Foley is currently off on long term sick and we wish her well.



PTA

Thanks to the PTA, and all of you who have contributed towards fund raising events, the PTA have been able to purchase some new equipment for outside on the playground. I am sure you will have all seen the new Chalk board / White board and the



drawings all over the playground. We now have more creativity and a peaceful area to sit and read or to talk to friends. The children really love the new equipment and have played enthusiastically all week with it. Thank you!



Please find below some dates for this term of events and themed days that have been planned by our PTA. Another exciting term ahead! Further details will be sent nearer the time.

Fri 26 Apr 24 - Donate a plant 🌱 World Earth Day

Sat 27 Apr 24 - Ph2 Grateley Garden "The Build"

Wed 01 May 24 - Bags2School 📦

Fri 17 May 24 - Cake Sale & Second Hand Sale 🍰

Fri 7 Jun 24 - Disney Day dress up - bring in toys & sweets for festival 🦋

Fri 14 Jun 24 - Home Clothes for donations of bottles for the bottle stall at the school fete 🍷

Fri 21 Jun 24 - Cake donations for Fete 🍰

Sat 22 Jun 24 - Festival of Joy 🌈

Fri 28 Jun 24 - KS1 Movie Night 🎬

Fri 12 Jul 24 - KS2 Movie Night 🎬

Safeguarding

Each week I include links or tips on how to keep your children safe online. This half term I am going to give you short messages to think about each week as these are all key messages which have arisen from speaking to parents and having my own children. Some people dismiss online safety due to having young children and therefore to them it is not important. However, children are using technology in truly innovative ways at younger and younger ages and therefore the risks and issues are applicable to everyone. Clearly the younger children will need to be guided more as they may lack the ability to risk assess.

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 our school.



**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: Playing together with the new chalkboard and creating images together.

Respect: Being good friends on the playground.

Enthusiasm: keenly sharing their creations on the playground to their friends.

Excellence: Working hard in class to achieve their best.

Well done team Grateley!

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
		
27,075	27,562	25,286



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone.
Across the school, **79,923 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: 98%

Bear Class: 97%

Darwin Class: 100%

Adamson Class: 99%

Attenborough Class: 95%



Congratulations to
Darwin Class



for fantastic attendance this week!



Friday 19th April	Creative Forces Day
Friday 26th April	PTA – Donate a Plant for World Earth Day
Saturday 27th April	PTA – Phase 2 of Grateley Garden 'The Build'
Monday April 22nd – Monday 17th June	Swimming Lessons - Andover Leisure Centre Years 3 and 4
Wednesday 1st May	PTA - Bags2School collection
Friday 17th May	Class photographs
Friday 17th May	PTA - Cake Sale and second hand sale
Thursday 23rd May	Portsmouth Historic Dockyard KS2
Tuesday 21st May	Bear Class trip to Quarley Farm
Monday 3rd June	INSET Day



Friday 7 th June	PTA – Disney Day dress – donation of toys and sweets
Friday 14 th June	PTA – Home Clothes for donations of bottles
Friday 21 st June	PTA – Cake donations for fete
Saturday 22 nd June	Summer Fete: "Festival of Joy!"
Monday 24 th June	Shooting Stars - circus skills
Friday 28 th June	PTA - KS1 Movie Night
Wednesday 10 th July	Sports Day (back up 17 th July if poor weather)
Friday 12 th July	PTA – KS2 Movie Night
Tuesday 23 rd July	Last day of term
Wednesday 4 th September	First day back at school

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

Kindest regards,



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

INSET DAYS 2024-25	
Inset Day 1	Monday 2 nd September 2024
Inset Day 2	Tuesday 3 rd September 2024
Inset Day 3	Monday 6 th January 2025
Inset Day 4	Friday 23 rd May 2025
Inset Day 5	Monday 14 th July 2025

[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.