



# Grateley Primary School Newsletter

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

Dear parents/carers,

This is hump week for the children and we are now halfway through this half term. I noticed on Monday in assembly that the children appeared to be tired and had less energy but over the week the children have regained their energy and engagement for learning. This happens for us all and as a team we are able to discuss this and support the children. The team around the children have strong connections with the children and relationships are safe and trusting.

The curriculum timetable is full and 'every learning minute counts' in school. This is really evident in the learning outcomes we are seeing in the children's books and the children I am seeing for the 'Book of Excellence.' This week I have seen 14 children who have challenged themselves in their learning. The children have been able to talk about what they have been learning and in what subject. I am very proud of the children I have seen this week.

Next week the year 5 and 6 children will be challenging themselves at Runways as part of their residential. I visited the residential this week and the children will have a fantastic time. There is so much to do with some experiences that the children will be attempting for the first time.

Have a super weekend  
Mrs Hill.

*Chill*

'We are all in this together.'

## Diary Dates:

New Yr R 2025 Open Days:  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct 1.30pm  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 5.00pm

Coffee and chat:  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 8.45am- 9.15am

Parents' Evenings:  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 3.50pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 3.50pm  
Muffi Days:  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Bring a Bottle  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Colour Raffle

15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need  
26<sup>th</sup> Nov-2<sup>nd</sup> Dec - Winter Book Fayre  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - Panto, Theatre Royal

## INSET Dates:

INSET Day 1: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 24  
INSET Day 2: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 24  
INSET Day 3: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 25  
INSET Day 4: Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 25  
INSET Day 5: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 25

## Attendance:

### **'Every minute counts!'**

Congratulations to  
*Adamson class*  
for 100% attendance this week!

Current attendance percentages are:

**Whole school for the year: 98%**  
**Whole school for the week: 97%**

**Bear Class: 95%**  
**Darwin Class: 94%**  
**Adamson Class: 100%**  
**Attenborough Class: 99%**

## Who's Who?



This is Mrs Elsey.  
Mrs Elsey is the Year 1 and 2 Class Teacher and she is the SENDCo for the school. Mrs Elsey likes animals and she has 2 cats at home called Pepper and Marmalade.





### **Cake and Coffee**

You are invited in for cake and coffee with Mrs Hill and Mrs Norman on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 8.45-9.15am.

This will take place in the hall so please come to the hall door after drop off.

We are looking forward to seeing you all.

**CRAZY OCTOBER FUN**

WE WOULD LOVE IF YOU COULD TAKE PART IN OUR HALLOWEEN COMPETITION, WE CHALLENGE YOU TO CREATE A SCARY, HALLOWEEN PIC, YOU CAN PAINT, DRAW, COLOUR OR CRAFT A PICTURE £1 PER ENTRY

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PART IN SCARY COLOUR HAIR FOR THE LAST DAY OF TERM £1 PER CHILD

AND LAST OF ALL CARVE YOUR OWN PUMPKIN £1 PER PUMPKIN ALL OPTIONAL

WINNERS WILL BE PICKED ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM AT ASSEMBLY TO BE PAID IN CASH LAST DAY OF TERM PLEASE

We had a lovely Harvest Festival assembly with our governors in school. The children were excited to share their work in their classes and take part in the assembly. Thank you to all of you that donated to the Andover Food bank.



## Teams around classes

### Year R



Miss Heaps



Miss Forrest- Talbot



Mrs Linwood

### Year 1 and 2



Mrs Elsey



Mrs Gray



Mrs Britton

### Year 3 and 4



Mrs Norman



Mrs Linwood



Mrs Britton

### Year 5 and 6



Miss Knights



Mrs Andrews



Mrs Linwood