



Grateley Primary School Newsletter

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'A school where everyone becomes a lifelong learner and realises their potential.'

Dear parents/carers,

This week has been bitterly cold but the children have endured the weather at breaks, lunches and for P.E. It's still so important they have physical activity and fresh air and I'm a great believer in being outdoors all year round. Thank you for providing your children with appropriate outdoor weather clothing so they can enjoy being outside.

The children had a fantastic time at the pantomime. They really enjoyed the show and enjoyed having lunch in the Atrium afterwards. Thank you to the PTA for supporting some of the costs towards the tickets and the coaches.

Next week is a busy week of performances and events. The children have been practising and we are looking forward to performing to you all.

End of term is the 20th December at 3.30pm.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Hill.

Chill

'We are all in this together.'

Diary Dates:

Monday 16th December – Yr R & KS1

Nativity 2.00pm in school hall

Tuesday 17th December – Nativity

10am in school hall

Tuesday 17th December – KS2 Carol concert at Grateley church

Thursday 19th - Choir to sing at Harrier Grange Care Home.

Monday 16th Dec 9.30am – Darwin Recorder concert

Friday 20th December – break up for Christmas at 3.30pm

Tuesday 7th January 2025 – return to school

New Yr R 2025 Open Day:

Tuesday 14th Jan 2025 : 5.00pm

INSET Days:

INSET Day 3: Monday 6th January 25

INSET Day 4: Friday 23rd May 25

INSET Day 5: Monday 14th July 25

Attendance:

'Every minute counts!'

Congratulations to
Darwin class
for fantastic attendance this week!

Current attendance percentages are:

Whole school for the year: 96.7%

Whole school for the week: 97.2%

Bear Class: 92.2%

Darwin Class: 98.9%

Adamson Class: 97%

Attenborough Class: 97.3%

Meet and Greet Timetable:

We appreciate that you have don't see the school team on a regular basis so we have organised a timetable for your staff team to be out on meet and greet. See timetable below. Please be advised that this could change to allow for absence and training.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
AM	Mrs Kitching	Ms Heaps	Mr Pritchard	Miss Knights	Mrs Elsey
PM	Mrs Elsey	Miss Linwood	Miss Knights	Ms Heaps	Mrs Britton



Winter Fayre

The Winter Fayre was amazing. The PTA were a slick and well-oiled team and raised approximately £1,500 for the school. A special thank you to the chair of the PTA, Hannah Nicel for organising the event. I also wanted to mention the amazing singer who joined us, Miss Stephanie Bolton. She sang Christmas songs and filled the hall with joy!

Parent Workshops:

SATs Workshop

15/1/25 from 3.45-4.45pm in Attenborough class for parents of Year 6 children.

Phonics Workshop

16/1/25 from 3.45-4.45pm in Darwin class for parents of Year R and 1.

Multiplication Test Workshop

22/1/25 from 3.45-4.45pm in Adamson class for parents of Year 3 and 4.

Grateley School Choir

Some of the children in the choir will be singing at the Harrier Grange Care Home on Thursday 19th December. You have been notified if your child is taking part in the event.

A BIG thank you to Pikes, who are supporting us in transporting the children to the care home.

School Uniform

With the colder weather upon us now, please note that the children may wear base layers under their normal uniform, to keep warm.

No hoodies of any description please. Only red school fleeces or a coat on top.

Red Grateley School fleeces are available from:

<https://www.brigade.uk.com/>



Parents of Darwin class children are warmly invited to attend a Recorder concert in the school hall at 9.30am on Monday 16th December.



Lunch Clubs

From January 2025, children will continue to attend Book Club, Choir and Lego Club. If you would like to join these clubs, please speak to Mrs Hill.

New Clubs

Sewing Club will be for KS2 children with Mrs Hill.

Ball Games for KS1 children with Mr Stow or Mr Emans on the school field from 12.30pm.