

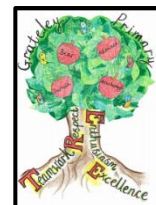


A school where every child becomes a lifelong learner and realises their potential.

Keeping parents informed of the School's new events and important information



Grateley News



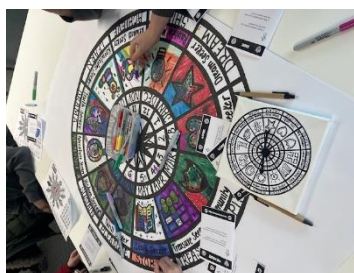
Friday 26th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

In assembly this week we explored teamwork, following on and linking to our assembly last week on friendship. This week I have seen teamwork in class and on the playground, which has been fantastic. We will be exploring the value of respect next week and in class considering how respect is shown by and to adults and by and to other children. We had a visit from our School Improvement Manager this week and she said we have a lovely school and enjoyed hearing about everything going on in school; it was a very positive visit.

Service Children

Last Friday some of our service children were invited to attend a creative forces day at the University of Winchester. They learnt about criminology, prison life, wildlife sounds and recognising different trees within the University grounds. They were involved in a 'get to know you' activity which involved answering questions about themselves as service children. The children teamed up with a Gosport Primary School and worked together as a team winning the wildlife challenge out of 3 schools. Well done!! You represented the school proudly and had a fantastic time. We have lots of exciting activities planned this term for Camo club and have had a serving parent express their interest in coming in to speak with the children in Camo club and assembly which will be great.



Safeguarding

We all use ICT for professional purposes and use a broad range of tools to fulfil our work requirements. Children and young people mostly use ICT because it is fun. It is fun to play, it is fun to learn with: in many situations it makes the teaching and learning easier, collaborative and more productive. Some adults will shy away at the

sheer mention of computers or technology for a variety of reasons: have never used it; don't ever want to use it; scared of it; were not brought up with it; had a bad experience of it.....etc. Technology development is moving fast and it is important to try and keep up to date and be aware of the dangers posed to our children. I am trying to include a variety of sources in the newsletters so that all parents/carers can understand how to teach online safety and effectively monitor what children are accessing to make decisions that keep them safe, irrelevant of their own confidence with ICT. One link that you may find useful is [Parentzone](#).

Eco-Council

World Earth Day

We raised a fantastic £65.25 for the Wiltshire Wildlife hospital on World Earth Day; thank you for all the donations. The Hedgehog model competition winners are - Amelia, Paige, Elissia, Emma, Isla, Ethan and Rebecca. The models all looked fantastic and have been put up on display in the hall for everyone to enjoy. Thank you to all the children (and adults) for your hard work designing and making the hedgehogs.

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: working together to achieve a common goal.

Respect: listening to each other's point of view.

Enthusiasm: celebrating each other's achievements and successes.

Excellence: striving to carry out the best learning that we can; putting maximum effort into every lesson.

Well done team Grateley!

Current House Points		
St. Andrews	Oxford	Cambridge
		
27,443	28,043	25,826



Congratulations to all those children who have reached their first Dojo milestone. Across the school, **81,312 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: 97%

Adamson Class: 99%

Attenborough Class: 100%



Congratulations to
Attenborough Class
for fantastic attendance this week!



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



Tuesday 23rd July	Last day of term
Wednesday 4th 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.