



GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Issue 212
21st November 2025

Skipping Workshop

On Wednesday 18th November, all pupils took part in an energetic skipping workshop. They had great fun developing their skipping skills and CHAMP values. To round off the day, Tilly, the instructor, led a fantastic assembly where the pupils showcased what they had learnt.



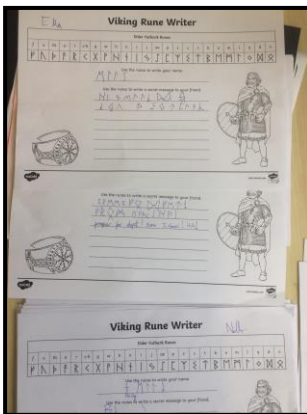
Year 4 Viking Day

On Wednesday 12th November, Year 4 had an exciting Viking Day! We dressed up as fierce Vikings, made our own runes, shields, and learnt all about Viking history and life. We even wrote our own kenning poems to capture the spirit of the Vikings – it was a day full of creativity, adventure, and discovery!

Scarlett: "I enjoyed writing kennings poems, I was motivated."

Max: "I loved making a Viking shield."

George G: "I was liked writing my name in runes."



Thank you



Thank you so much for your incredible support, understanding, and generosity during our Winston's Wish charity day. Between the cake sale and the non-uniform day, the school raised over £500 – an amazing achievement! We are also so grateful for the additional collection for Mrs Blackledge; your kindness and thoughtfulness will mean so much to her and her young family. We have been completely overwhelmed by the generosity and community spirit you have all shown. We are very fortunate to have such a fantastic and caring school community. Thank you again for everything you do to make our school such a special place.

GVSA Christmas Fair



This year we will be holding our Christmas Fair on Friday 12th of December 2025 from 3.15pm to 5.00pm. If you can help either to run a stall or lend a hand with setting up and/or clearing up at the end of the fair, please contact the school office, "many hands make light work!"

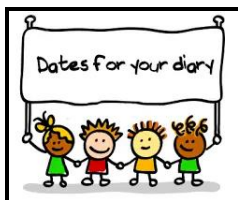
**Christmas Dinner -
Festive/Alternative Jumper Day**



On Wednesday 17th December we will be holding our Christmas dinner, pupils may come into school wearing a festive/alternative top (bottom half of school uniform still to be worn).

If your child would like to have a Christmas dinner then please send £3.20 in a clearly marked envelope or pay using the arbor app. *If you have already paid for the term, or if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2. no payment is required*

Dates for your Diary



Monday 1st December 2025 - Occasional Day
Tuesday 9th December 2025 - EYFS - (Nursery and Reception) Christmas Performance 9.15am
Wednesday 10th December 2025 - EYFS - (Nursery and Reception) - Christmas Performance 9.15am
Thursday 11th December 2025 - KS1 - (Year 1 and Year 2) Christmas Performance - 9.15am and 2.30pm
Friday 12th December 2025 - GVSA Christmas Fair 3.15pm to 5.00pm
Tuesday 16th December 2025 - KS2 Lantern Festival 9.15am and 2.30pm
Wednesday 17th December 2025 - Christmas Dinner
Thursday 18th December 2025 - School Disco 3.15pm to 4.30pm - NO NIGHT OWLS

Friday 19th December 2025 - Last day of Term 1.00pm

Monday 5th January 2026 - Inset Day - School closed.

Tuesday 6th January 2026 - Start of Spring term

Champ of the Week



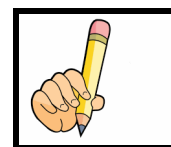
**17.11.2025 - 21.11.2025 for being:
Confident**

Zara	-	Reception
Violet	-	Year 1
Teddy	-	Year 2
Layla	-	Year 3
Zachary	-	Year 4
Robyn	-	Year 5
George	-	Year 6

**24.11.2025 - 28.11.2025 for being:
Helpful**

Oscar	-	Reception
Aida	-	Year 1
Ava	-	Year 2
Carys	-	Year 3
Scarlett	-	Year 4
Olivia	-	Year 5
Oliver	-	Year 6

Handwriting Award



17.11.2025 - 21.11.2025

Jude	-	Year 1
Owen	-	Year 2
Casper	-	Year 3
Scarlett	-	Year 4
Aribella	-	Year 5
Lilly	-	Year 6

24.11.2025 - 28.11.2025

Zack	-	Year 1
Ozgur	-	Year 2
Aniya	-	Year 3
Arion	-	Year 4
Jenson	-	Year 5
Scarlett	-	Year 6

Attendance Initiative

Whole School Attendance Figures 17.11.2025 - 21.11.2025

Reception	99.0 %
Year 1	93.0%
Year 2	96.0%
Year 3	97.0%
Year 4	98.0%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	93.0 %

Whole School Attendance Figures 24.11.2025 - 28.11.2025

Reception	94.0%
Year 1	97.0%
Year 2	93.0%
Year 3	96.0%
Year 4	91.0%
Year 5	97.0%
Year 6	96.0 %

Growth Mindset Quote

Trying is more important than being perfect.