



GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Year 6 GOAL Day

Year 6 really enjoyed their art inspired GOAL day. They created street art murals using a variety of different mediums. They also completed a reading based orienteering activity. Well done Year 6!



Carter - "I enjoyed learning about volcanoes and completing the comprehension questions."

Oliver - "I enjoyed creating my murals. It was fun to paint!"

Sophia - "I really like painting the murals because it was great to work with my partner and the paper was so big!"

Year 3 GOAL Day

On GOAL Day, Year 3 had lots of fun performing fables, making mouse houses in the woods, creating maths games on the playground and completing an orienteering challenge.



Joseph: "My favourite activity was making the mouse houses"

Willma: "My favourite part was orienteering"

Robyn: "I enjoyed acting out the fables"

Harvest Festival



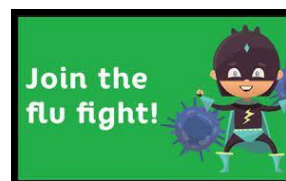
We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival with pupils on **Friday 24th October 2025**. We would like to collect and donate items for Highview Lodge which is a local care home located in Gadebridge.

If you are able to contribute any of the items listed below, then please bring them in to school from Tuesday 14th October. We will display the items in school for all the pupils to see during our Harvest Festival on the Friday and deliver the items later that day to the residents.

Food Items (examples)
Biscuits
Chocolates
Sweet Treats
Cakes
Fruit Jellies
Tea bags
Toiletries (examples)
Shower Gel
Body Lotions
Shampoo
Deodorant
Body Spray

Thank you very much for your support, any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Flu Vaccinations



Vaccination UK will be in school on Thursday 23rd October 2025 to administer the nasal flu vaccinations for Reception to Year 6. Please ensure that you have visited the online portal to express wishes.

GVSA Christmas Fair



This year we will be holding our Christmas Fair on Friday 12th of December 2025 from 3.15pm to 5.00pm. Further information will be sent out shortly.

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!"

School Photographs



The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 4th November 2025 to take individual and sibling photographs.

On the day, you will receive a unique secure QR proof card whereby you can order and view the many purchasing options. If, however you do not have the option of a smart phone or tablet, you can order on line. www.vancols.com

Class Assemblies



All class assemblies start at 9:00am in the school hall.

Wednesday 15 th October 2025	Year 5
Wednesday 22 nd October 2025	Year 2
Wednesday 5 th November 2025	Year 6
Wednesday 12 th November 2025	Year 1
Wednesday 19 th November 2025	Year 4
Wednesday 26 th November 2025	Year 3

GVSA Halloween Trail



There are still spaces available for the Halloween Trail which is taking place on Friday 24th October 2025 from 4:30 to 6:00pm in the spooky Gade Valley woods. Please send your payment of £6.00 per child to the school office in a clearly marked envelope, or alternatively follow the link to pay by card please remember to add your name at the payment page.

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/Q3S5CE1D>

From our Governors



I am Maureen Barton and have been a governor here for nearly three years. I try to come into school for an afternoon each week and enjoy being a tiny part of this happy, safe and welcoming school community.

So far this term I have enjoyed listening to pupils reading in a number of classes. Their growing confidence and pride in their reading is lovely to see.

A special "Thank You" to the adults and pupils in both Nursery and Reception who made me so welcome. It is great to see pupils enjoying the outside spaces in the mild weather.

We are looking for more governors to join us, so if you know someone who might be interested please do contact the school.

Lost Property



Our lost property area is overflowing! Please take a moment this week to check for any missing jumpers, jackets, lunch boxes, or water bottles. The pictures above show items left on the playing field in just one day!

Thank you for helping us keep our school tidy!

Year 6 Secondary Transfer



Reminder to Year 6 parents/carers that the application deadline for a secondary school place is Friday 31st October 2025. Please make an application via Hertfordshire Admissions.

Punctuality and Medical Appointments



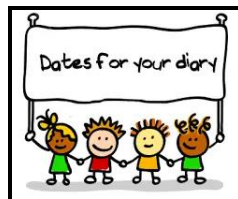
There has been a noticeable increase in the number of pupils arriving late for school, especially in the early years, please ensure that your child arrives on time as arriving late to school is unsettling for pupils and causes disruption to the class.

Where possible all appointments should be booked outside of school hours. Where this is not possible, the amount of school time missed must be kept to a minimum. School may not authorise the time off school if medical evidence is not provided.

There is a link between good school attendance and high level attainment. Regardless of the reason, if your child is absent from school it will impact on their learning.

Parents/carers are legally responsible for ensuring their child attends school on time every day.

Dates for your Diary



Tuesday 21st October 2025 - Year 3 Trip to Discover Bucks Museum

Wednesday 22nd October 2025 - Year 2 Class Assembly

Thursday 23rd October 2025 - Nasal Flu Vaccination R to Year 6

Friday 24th October 2025 - GVSA Halloween Trail 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025 - Half Term

Monday 3rd November 2025 - Inset Day
School Closed

Tuesday 4th November 2025 - School Photographer - Individuals and Siblings

Wednesday 5th November 2025 - Year 6 Class Assembly

Wednesday 5th November 2025 - Year 4 Trip to the Lookout Discovery Centre

Tuesday 11th November 2025 - CHAMP 4 Life Afternoon

Wednesday 12th November 2025 - Year 1 Class Assembly

Thursday 13th November 2025 - Celebration Evening 4:00 - 5:00pm

Champ of the Week



**06.10.2025 - 10.10.2025 for being:
Confident**

Oliver L	-	Reception
Bobby	-	Year 1
Ella	-	Year 2
Saxon	-	Year 3
Scarlett	-	Year 4
Sahasra	-	Year 5
Tom	-	Year 6

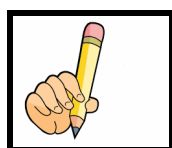
**13.10.2025 - 17.10.2025 for being:
Helpful**

Emilia	-	Reception
Oriana	-	Year 1
Evie	-	Year 2
Jack	-	Year 3
Pari	-	Year 4
Kevin	-	Year 5
Sienna	-	Year 6

**Whole School Attendance Figures
13.10.2025 - 17.10.2025**

Reception	96.0%
Year 1	99.0%
Year 2	91.0%
Year 3	94.0%
Year 4	99.0%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	97.0 %

Handwriting Award



Growth Mindset Quote

Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try.

06.10.2025 - 10.10.2025

Miruna	-	Year 1
Meredith	-	Year 2
Saxon	-	Year 3
Mantasha	-	Year 4
Kevin	-	Year 5
Mia	-	Year 6

13.10.2025 - 17.10.2025

Alfie	-	Year 1
Matilda	-	Year 2
Ava	-	Year 3
Chloe	-	Year 4
Jasmine	-	Year 5
Pippa	-	Year 6

Attendance Initiative

**Whole School Attendance Figures
06.10.2025 - 10.10.2025**

Reception	100 %
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	96.0%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	94.0%
Year 5	98.0%
Year 6	94.0 %