



GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Year 4 Attendance Reward

On Friday 13th of September, for their attendance award, Year 4 visited Gadebridge Park. They all had a wonderful time.

Sophie B: "I liked playing tag with my friends."

Daisy: "It was so much fun and really exciting."

James: "I liked being outdoors and playing on the equipment."



Year 4 GOAL Day

Year 4 GOAL Day was lots of fun. They completed 'nature scavenger hunts' which inspired their acrostic poetry, they practised their times tables by sitting in a circle and start counting from 1. Each time a



number was in the 3 times tables the pupils had to moo like a cow. When a number was in the 4 times tables the pupils had to baa like a sheep. If the number is in both, then the pupils had to neigh like a horse. To make this task more challenging, they went into groups and tried to beat a timer. After that, they used nature to consolidate their coding learning. The pupils wrote algorithms for 2D shapes and finally, they finished the day off with chocolate chip muffins and den building in the woods.

Year 2 GOAL Day

On Friday 20th September, Year 2 had their GOAL day. We started the day by completing a Science investigation where we had to match the animal and their offspring. We then created patterns using natural resources. After that we went on a walk around the school grounds and created our own journey sticks. First we had to find a stick that was the length of our arm, then as we walked around the woods and field, we collected a range of leaves, feathers, stones and acorns. We used these to create our journey sticks. Finally in the afternoon we made dream catchers using a range of natural and man-made material. All the pupils worked really well together and we had a fantastic day!

Carys: "My favourite part was making the dream catchers."

Layla: "I liked collecting leaves and feathers for my journey stick."

Saxon: "My favourite part was making my journey stick."



Year 3 GOAL Day

On Friday 20th September Y3 had their GOAL day. They started off having a scavenger hunt around the playground, field and in the woods. They then completed nature equations where they collected acorns, stones, sticks and leaves which all represented different numbers. Then they recreated their favourite characters from their favourite books in the woods using natural resources. They finished the day with a story in the woods. The class were true CHAMPS and had lots of fun!

Daisy: "I enjoyed going on a scavenger hunt."

Olivia: "I liked making story scenes using nature."

Scarlett: "I liked being in the woods."

Maximus: "My favourite part was reading a story in the woods."



Year 5 GOAL Day

As part of our GOAL Day Year 5 have been exploring different artists including Andy Goldsworthy and Kandinsky. We used what we had learnt to create our own nature inspired art in the woodlands. We also learnt different ways to measure a tree's height and age and also completed a nature inspired alliteration challenge.

Freya: "I really enjoyed doing the Kandinsky art on the playground using chalk."

Scarlett: "I enjoyed learning to do nature art inspired by Andy Goldsworthy ."

Jayden: "I enjoyed when we did art and made dens in the woods."



Summer Reading Competition



Congratulations to our summer reading competition winners! The lucky winners in 1st place won a £10 book token! A huge thank you and well done to everyone who entered. Your photos will be displayed in the main corridor on our special reading display.

Parent Teacher Consultations

Nursery - Tuesday 15th October 2024
Year 1 - Thursday 17th October 2024
Year 2 - Wednesday 16th October 2024
Year 3 - Wednesday 16th October 2024
Year 4 - Thursday 17th October 2024
Year 5 - Monday 14th October 2024
Year 6 Tuesday 15th October 2024

GVSA Welcome Meeting

Get involved and make a difference



**Gade Valley School Association
needs you!**

Tuesday 1st October 2024
6:30 pm
Gade Valley School Hall

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Refreshments will be provided

Come and find out about the fundraising of the GVSA and learn about the positive impact you can make for our children

We hope to see you there!

Bike Safety



If your child rides a bike or scooter to and from school please can you ensure that they wear a safety helmet. Thank you.

Statutory Attendance and Penalty Notice Fines.



At Gade Valley we believe that regular attendance throughout the year is essential to every child's success and fulfilment.

We have the power to grant leaves of absence under exceptional circumstances, and a holiday is not generally considered to come under those circumstances. We expect you to consult the school before making any plans that will involve your child's absence from lessons or other commitments and you are required to complete an application for term time absence form which are available from the school office.

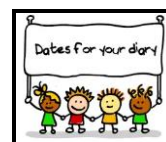
If a pupil has 10 or more sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks (10 sessions is equivalent to 5 days) in line with our attendance policy and the local authority's code of practice, you will be issued with a penalty notice.

When you receive the notice, you must pay:

- £80, if it's paid within 21 days
- £160, if it's paid after 21 days but within 28 days

If payment is not made within 28 days, the local authority may decide to pursue further legal action.

Dates for your Diary



Thursday 3rd October 2024 - Year 2 Trip to Bekonscot Model Village and Railway.

Friday 4th October 2024 - Year 5 Ancient Greek Day.

Friday 4th October 2024 - Year 6 GOAL Day.

Monday 7th October 2024 - INSET Day.

Wednesday 9th October 2024 - Year 6 Class Assembly.

Thursday 10th October 2024 - Papermill visit to Year 1.

Wednesday 16th October 2024 - Year 5 Assembly

Champ of the Week



**16.09.2024 – 20.09.2024 for being:
Confident**

Oliver	-	Reception
Maria	-	Year 1
Connor	-	Year 2
Reece W	-	Year 3
Aribella	-	Year 4
George	-	Year 5
Peter	-	Year 6

**23.09.2024 – 27.09.2024 for being:
Helpful**

Ziggy	-	Reception
Robyn	-	Year 1
Frankey	-	Year 2
Arion	-	Year 3
Christian	-	Year 4
Tom	-	Year 5
Tony	-	Year 6

Attendance Initiative

Whole School Attendance Figures

16.09.2024 - 20.09.2024

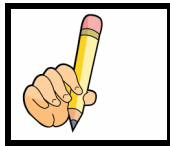
Reception	98.0%
Year 1	96.0%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	100%

Whole School Attendance Figures

23.09.2024 - 27.09.2024

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

Handwriting Award



16.09.2024 - 20.09.2024

Hannah	-	Year 1
Olivia	-	Year 2
Scarlett	-	Year 3
Harry	-	Year 4
Pippa	-	Year 5
Jessica	-	Year 6

23.09.2024 - 27.09.2024

Sophia	-	Year 1
Robyn	-	Year 2
Reece C	-	Year 3
Aribella	-	Year 4
Stefanie	-	Year 5
Isobel	-	Year 6

Golden Ticket Winners



16.09.2024 - 20.09.2024 The winners this week were Year 2.

23.09.2024 - 27.09.2024 The winners this week were Year 1.

Growth Mindset Quote

When the dark clouds come..... keep going!