



**GADE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

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Welcome Back

It has been a fantastic start to the new school year!

The pupils have been so enthusiastic with their learning and it is clear that they are enjoying their new classes.

Thank you, as always to all parents/carers for your continued support.

Meet the Teacher Sessions

**MEET THE
TEACHER** 

Just to remind you that we will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' sessions in your child's classes at 9.00am on the following days. The meeting will be an opportunity for teachers to deliver useful information about your child's learning and class routines.

We look forward to seeing you then, however if you are unable to attend, the presentation will be placed on your child's class page on the school website.

CLASS	DATE
Year 1 and Year 5	Monday 16 th September at 9.00am
Year 2 and Year 6	Tuesday 17 th September at 9.00am
Reception Class	Wednesday 18 th September at 9.00am
Year 3 and Year 4	Thursday 19 th September at 9.00am

Arbor Communication



We have noticed that a lot of parents/carers are missing out on vital information about their child and school activities as they are not using the Arbor app - many accounts have over 100 unread messages. We cannot stress enough the importance of using the app daily. If you have difficulties in accessing Arbor please contact the school office.

Daily Mile Fit for Life Award



We're thrilled to introduce you to our brand new award which Gade Valley has achieved. It is designed to recognise and celebrate schools that have fully embraced The Daily Mile, which we call TrackTime.

Becoming a Daily Mile Children Fit For Life Awarded school is not just a recognition; it's a celebration of our school's commitment to enhancing children's health and happiness. By making daily physical activity a priority, Gade Valley not only promotes a culture of wellness but also instils lifelong habits of health and fitness in children and staff members.

We are all about encouraging a positive lifestyle that extends far beyond the classroom walls!

PE and Activity Award



Good news!

To celebrate our achievements in PE and activity we have received the gold School Games Award for another year.

Attendance



Getting your child to school and on time every day is imperative.

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.

How does occasional absence affect my child?

Missing occasional days from school may seem unimportant at the time; however, this can have a significant impact on your child in the long term:

% of attendance in a school year	Number of days absent	Weeks missed
98%	4	Less than 1 week
95%	9.5	Nearly 2 weeks
90%	19	Nearly 4 weeks
85%	28.5	Nearly 6 weeks

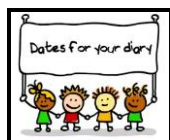
To encourage your children to attend school we are run an attendance challenge. Each class that has at least 97% attendance will get to move one step up on the board (classes with 100% will move 2 steps).

The class which gets furthest on the board will each term receive a special prize
There is a display of the board in the hall and so that the pupils can see how their class is doing in the race to the prize.

Classes that achieved at least 97% attendance will be announced in sharing assemblies on Fridays.

We will also be informing you of attendance figures in our school newsletter.

Dates for your Diary



Wednesday 18th September 2024 - Year 6 Height and Weight.

Thursday 19th September 2024 - Year 5 GOAL Day.

Friday 20th September 2024 - Year 2 and Year 3 GOAL Day.

Monday 23rd September 2024 - Year 6 Bikeability.

Friday 27th September 2024 - Macmillan Coffee Morning.

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 - Whole school CHAMP for Life afternoon.

Champ of the Week



**01.09.2024 - 06.09.2024 for being:
Confident**

Sophie S	-	Reception
Lottie	-	Year 1
Max	-	Year 2
Mantasha	-	Year 3
Olivia	-	Year 4
Ariyah	-	Year 5
Hudson	-	Year 6

**09.09.2024 - 13.09.2024 for being:
Helpful**

Layla	-	Reception
Hannah	-	Year 1
Bobby	-	Year 2
Daisy	-	Year 3
Finnley	-	Year 4
Jayden	-	Year 5
Su	-	Year 6

Attendance Initiative

**Whole School Attendance Figures
01.09.2024 - 06.09.2024**

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

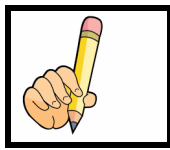
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Year 1	97.0%
Year 2	97.0%
Year 3	97.0%
Year 4	98.0%
Year 5	98.0%
Year 6	99.0%

Growth Mindset Quote

Whether you think you can, or think you can't
You are probably right!

Handwriting Award



01.09.2024 - 06.09.2024

Marissa	-	Year 1
Carys	-	Year 2
Olivia	-	Year 3
Daisy	-	Year 4
Freya	-	Year 5
Autumn	-	Year 6

09.09.2024 - 13.09.2024

Alexander	-	Year 1
Layla	-	Year 2
Jenna	-	Year 3
Sophie Q	-	Year 4
Evie	-	Year 5
Peter	-	Year 6

Golden Ticket Winners



09.09.2024 - 13.09.2024 The winners this week were Year 6.