



# The Galley Hill Times

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Tuesday	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	All Day	<b>Y6 Food and Farming Trip</b>
Tuesday	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	9am-9.15am	<b>Reception Garnet Sharing Assembly</b>
Wednesday	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>		<b>Sports Day – KS1 &amp; KS2 9.15am-11.45am</b> <b>Nursery/Reception – 1.15pm-2.15pm</b>
Thursday	<b>4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	All day	<b>Health &amp; Wellbeing Day</b>
Thursday	<b>4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	After School	<b>Year 6 Enterprise Fair</b>
Monday	<b>8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	9am-10am	<b>Rocksteady Concert – Bands BCDE</b>
Thursday	<b>11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	AM	<b>Switcheroo Day</b>
Thursday	<b>11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	3.15pm	<b>Meet the new teacher/classroom</b>
Monday	<b>15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	9am-10am	<b>Rocksteady Concert – Bands AFGH</b>
Monday	<b>15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	1.45pm-2.45pm	<b>Year 5/6 Production Dress Rehearsal</b>
Monday	<b>15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	6pm – 7pm	<b>Year 5/6 Production</b>
Tuesday	<b>16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	6pm – 7pm	<b>Year 5/6 Production</b>
Thursday	<b>18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	All Day	<b>Y6 Legoland Trip</b>
Friday	<b>19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	5pm – 7pm	<b>Y6 Leavers Party</b>
Tuesday	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	9am	<b>Y6 Leavers Assembly</b>
Tuesday	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	2pm	<b>Break up for Summer Holidays</b>

## **Message from Mrs Birch**

We hope everybody enjoyed an extra day off in the sunshine last Friday. The children have clearly benefitted from the extra rest and have been flying with their learning this week. I have been particularly enjoying tales from the swimming pool of children overcoming their fears and learning to feel confident in water and swim for the first time. Today, I have also enjoyed speaking with the Year 4 children about their Earthquakes and Volcanoes day and seeing the impressive structures they made to withstand an earthquake!!

## **Sports Day / Health and Well-Being Day**

You will know that Sports Day is taking place on Wednesday (3rd July) next week and Health and Well-Being Day is taking place on Thursday. For both of these days, the children should come into school wearing their PE kits (with coloured tops for their houses on Wednesday) and will wear them all day.

As a reminder, children in Key Stages 1 and 2 (Years 1 to 6) will all do Sports Day together starting at 9:15am. We anticipate that this event will be finished by 11:45am. In the afternoon, we will have a separate, smaller scale event for children in Early Years (Nursery and Reception). This event will take place at 1:15pm and will last no more than an hour. Children who are staying for Nursery lunch club can also stay the additional time to participate in the event. We encourage the parents of other morning Nursery children to bring them back at 1:15pm so that they can also participate.

As with the last few years, there will not be any adult races as part of Sport's Day due to the health and safety concerns / complaints we have had in the past. The focus of the day is on the children.

We will have the coffee van on site for the duration of Sports Day once again however we ask that this is used for parents only. Adults should not be purchasing items for children and handing them to them while they are doing their activities, please. If you do wish to purchase something for your child, you need to take it home and give it to them at the end of the school day.

### **Staff News**

It is with real sadness that I share with you all that Miss Keal will be moving on from Galley Hill at the end of the school year as she relocates to Surrey. Miss Keal has been an incredible member of our team, both as a class teacher and in her role on the senior leadership team as Lower Key Stage Two Leader. I am sure you will all want to join me in thanking her for her dedication and wishing her every success for the future.

I am however delighted to share that we have a new teacher, Miss Adams, joining our team. Miss Adams is a very experienced teacher who has taught in a variety of schools in the past and we are very much looking forward to her bringing her experience to the Galley Hill community.

### **Punctuality**

We are becoming increasingly concerned about the large number of latecomers at the start of each day. Our Nursery time starts at 8:30am and the school days for the rest of the children starts at 8:45am, with doors open from 8:40am. A flow of children arriving late disrupts the class and can be upsetting for the children arriving late as they may miss important introductions to learning. We appreciate there are sometimes situations that may cause people to be very occasionally late but this certainly should not be on a daily basis. Thank you for your support in getting your children to school on time.

### **Sharing Assembly**

Many thanks to the children of Team Jade for sharing their fantastic learning with us on Tuesday. Our next sharing assembly, which is the final one of the school year, will be presented by Team Garnet this coming Tuesday (2nd July). Parents wishing to attend should come to the school office at 9am.

# WELL DONE! Wednesday!

Well done to these children who have all been selected for Well Done Wednesday to come and have milkshake and cookies with Mrs Birch.

Ruby: *Jacob J*

Emerald: *George L*

Opal: *Grace D*

Coral: *Mia G*

Sapphire: *Jonathan V*

Onyx: *Alfie D*

Amethyst: *Mollie S*

Topaz: *Elisa W*



Well done *Paige C* in 1 Crystal who was awarded Gymnast of the Week for her beam routine. Great work Paige!

*Maya P* in 3 Emerald was awarded Gymnast of the Week for her floor routine. Fantastic Maya, well done!

Well done *Shreyashi S* in 3 Emerald who has passed her Stage 3 swimming and moved up to Stage 4. Great swimming Shreyashi!

*Jack H* in 4 Coral was awarded 'Parents Player' and 'Players Player' at his football presentation day.

Well done *Tate S* in 4 Opal who took part in the Saadi Gymnastics Surfs Up competition and won a silver medal for his floor routine and his vault. Great work Tate!

If your child has anything from outside of school that you would like to share then please email the details over to [admin@galleyhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@galleyhill.herts.sch.uk) and we can include them on the next Newsletter.

## Notice Board



### Y6 Enterprise Fair

Our Year 6 children are very excited about their Enterprise Fair happening next Thursday. We hope that you can come and join us after school on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Please see the attached adverts to see the amazing goodies on offer!



## Dinner Money

Please can we remind you that dinner money should be paid in advance and **all dinner debts do need to be clear before we break up on 23<sup>rd</sup> July**. Dinner money can be paid for on Arbor or by cash or card at the office. Many thanks for your support with this.

### EARLY YEARS STAR OF THE WEEK



Amber: Mia T

Garnet: Lucy Mae L

Turquoise: Lauren E

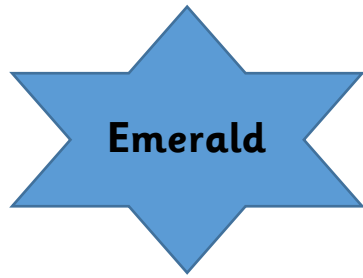
### ATTENDANCE

**Green** is for classes with attendance **above 95%**, **Amber** for classes with **90-95%** and **Red** for classes with attendance **less than 90%**.

	<b>Red</b>	<b>Amber</b>	<b>Green</b>
Quartz			100%
Nursery Amber	87.4%		
Reception Garnet	85.2%		
Reception Turquoise	77%		
1 Jade	87.3%		
1 Crystal		94.8%	
2 Diamond			96.7%
2 Pearl		92.2%	
3 Ruby		94.5%	
3 Emerald			<b>98.6%</b>
4 Coral			97.7%
4 Opal			97.6%
5 Onyx			95.9%
5 Sapphire		94.2%	
6 Topaz		91.7%	
6 Amethyst		94.4%	

Well done to

for winning the attendance award this week!



<p><b>IF YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR...</b></p> <p>WAS 95%</p> <p>WAS 90%</p> <p>WAS 85%</p> <p>WAS 80%</p> <p>WAS 75%</p>	<p><b>YOUR CHILD WOULD HAVE LOST APPROXIMATELY...</b></p> <p>9 DAYS FROM SCHOOL</p> <p>19 DAYS FROM SCHOOL</p> <p>29 DAYS FROM SCHOOL</p> <p>38 DAYS FROM SCHOOL</p> <p>48 DAYS FROM SCHOOL</p>	<p><b>OR THEY WOULD HAVE MISSED APPROXIMATELY...</b></p> <p>50 LESSONS</p> <p>100 LESSONS</p> <p>150 LESSONS</p> <p>200 LESSONS</p> <p>250 LESSONS</p>
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**PLEASE ENCOURAGE PUNCTUALITY TO MAINTAIN SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

**MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD DOESN'T MISS OUT**

**HOUSEPOINTS**

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Horowitz

Wilson

Dahl



AND THE  
WINNER  
IS.....

**Wilson!**